

## The Success of 2022 Vancouver Xiangqi On-Line Contest

Vancouver Chinese Chess Association and Confucius Institute in Coquitlam successfully organized 2022 Vancouver Xiangqi On-Line Contest from March 15 - 17, 2022. This contest was held on-line through Tencent Tiantian Xiangqi and lasted for three days. The contest used 9 Rounds Swiss System arrangement to decide the winners. The player gained 2 points for winning each game. If the game was draw, each player obtained 1 point. The player would not receive any point if losing the game. 20 minutes was set for



each game. The limit for each move was 3 minutes and each move would receive 10 more seconds. The contest followed the rules of Tiantian Xiangqi. The system made the judgement automatically if the player did not follow the rules or the game was over time or there was a line disconnection problem. A 5-minute no-show was judged as a forfeit loss. The ranking was determined as following tie-break, total points of the players, total points of the other players, winning games (the player with more winning games was the winner), winning and lose of the games or holding the same ranking (Tied). After the intensive 9 rounds of competition during the three days, 8 contestants were ranked as the winners of this contest and 3 contestants from Vancouver region won Vancouver Excellence Award. This contest had 32 contestants. Most of them came from Vancouver region and some of them were from other Chinese chess associations across Canada. Many Chinese chess associations provided their strong support to this contest and sent their members to attend the competition, such as Toronto Chinese Chess Association, Montreal Chinese Chess Association, Quebec Chinese Chess Association, Edmonton Chinese Chess Association, Markham Chinese Chess Association and Richmond Chinese Chess Association. Confucius Institute in Quebec also sent candidates to attend the competition. This contest drew many Chinese chess lovers to observe the contest on-line. Three students from Coquitlam and Director Wei Li

participated in the contest. Many contestants were deeply engaged into the contest and they continued to discuss the strategies even after each day of games. All the contestants expressed that they really enjoyed the competitions that enriched their life during the pandemic.



### List of Winners

First Prize: Chi Xin De; Second Prize: Cheng Jin  
Liang; Third Prize: Ma Hong Jun  
Fourth Prize: Sun Wu; Fifth Prize: Olivier Tessier;  
Sixth Prize: Zhang Feng Ming  
Seventh Prize: Zhang Shan Xing; Eighth Prize:  
Yu Shi Han

### Vancouver Excellence Award

First Prize: Yu Shi Han; Second Prize: Xie Xi  
Kuan; Third Prize: Zheng Shi Hao