



Event Listing

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TOP ATHLETES FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO TAKE OVER SAN FRANCISCO FOR ACCENTURE ESCAPE FROM ALCATRAZ TRIATHLON JUNE 2 – 3 Icy Water Swim, Rough Road Terrain and Sandy Hill Climbs Deliver Non-stop Action

- WHAT:** Hundreds of top athletes from around the world will take over the streets and bay waters of San Francisco for the 27th annual Accenture Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon June 3. Featuring an icy cold 1.5 mile swim from Alcatraz Island to the San Francisco shoreline, an 18 mile bike ride through the Presidio and an eight mile trail run through Golden Gate Recreational Area, this high profile athletic event truly showcases the beauty of San Francisco. This world renowned triathlon, in which only 1,800 triathletes/relay teams can participate, is sold out within hours of the registration opening every year. Fans will not want to miss this world class sporting event at the Marina Green where they can see the swim start and end, the athlete transition areas and the finish line. Spectators also are invited to enjoy the free Fitness Festival & Expo throughout the weekend, featuring dozens of vendors, product demonstrations, refreshments and more.
- WHEN:** Saturday, June 2, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Fitness Festival & Expo and Registration
Sunday, June 3, 7 a.m. race start
- WHERE:** Marina Green – Near the St. Francis Yacht Club at 99 Yacht Rd., San Francisco
- WHO:** Professional athletes confirmed to race this year include last year's winner and US National Team member **Matt Reed**, 2005 World Cup Triathlon Champion and 2005 race winner **Hunter Kemper**, 2006 International Triathlon Union Team Champion **Andy Potts** from the U.S.; race record holder **Simon Lessing** from Great Britain and last year's female winner and Bay Area local **Becky Lavelle**. Athletes participate in the following classes: professional men and women; amateur men and women: 16 and under; 17-19, 20-24; 25-29; 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75-79; 80+; corporate relay; and challenged athletes. Past celebrity participants have included Tate Donovan from the "OC" television show and San Francisco local and actor Robin Williams, to name a few.
- WHY:** A portion of the funds raised through the Accenture Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon will benefit the Challenged Athletes Foundation and the Golden Gate Triathlon Club.
- FOR MORE INFORMATION:** www.escapefromalcatraztriathlon.com
- EDITOR'S NOTE:** High-resolution photography is available at www.escapefromalcatraztriathlon.com or by calling Spin Communications at 415/380-8390 or emailing meghan@spinpr.com.

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