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## The USAGSO Globe | November 18, 2022 Edition

Girl Scout greetings! Welcome to The USAGSO Globe, delivered to all USAGSO members every other Friday.



### Globe Girl Scout Shout Out



USAGSO Girl Scouts in Beijing were recently featured in an [International Jing Kids Community Spotlight!](#) These girls has the amazing opportunity to explore the importance of going green with Tesla. While the video of this event is only available through WeChat, we hope those unable to view it enjoy the additional photos in the article. What a fun and educational experience for our Girl Scouts!

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# News to Know

## Girl Scouts Give Back: Citizen Science with Stall Catchers



Did you know... Citizen Science is one of GSUSA's 7 (inter)national [service projects](#)?!? USAGSO is excited to help our girls explore citizen science and contribute to Alzheimer's research by partnering with [Stall Catchers](#) in the lead up to Giving Tuesday. How can you play a part in solving some of the biggest problems facing our planet? Enter citizen science, where volunteers help scientists collect data for their studies and experiments. Anyone can be a citizen scientist—all you need is curiosity and a willingness to help!

Stall Catchers is an online game that anyone can play - no experience necessary. In the game, you look at movies from the brains of mice and try to identify vessels as flowing or stalled. This helps to speed up Alzheimer's disease research at Cornell University. Anyone can play this online game — no experience necessary. Currently, catchers range from 6 to 88 years old. A large part of the Stall Catchers community includes middle school students, seniors, caregivers, and even Alzheimer's patients themselves.

**The USAGSO Catch-A-Thon starts with two kick-off sessions, scheduled to meet all time zone needs!** Can't attend live? No worries! Please be sure to still sign up for one of the sessions – we will send the recording to all registrants.

- [Saturday, November 19th at 8pm \(Nov. 18\) EST / 2am CET / 10am JST](#)

- [Saturday, November 19th at 4am EST / 10am CET / 6pm JST](#)

The game is easy to grasp! We will walk you through how to sign-up and play during these info sessions. Don't worry about making mistakes — each blood vessel is analyzed by multiple catchers, which ensures reliable crowd answers are generated in the end.

**The Catch-A-Thon will officially open on Saturday, November 19 at 5am EST / 11am CET / 7pm JST and conclude on Monday, November 28 at the same time.** To incent our Girl Scouts to catch them all, there will be several prizes up for grabs during our Catch-A-Thon!

- All Girl Scouts Overseas who log 10+ hours will receive a custom Girl Scout/Stall Catchers patch
- The top-5 individual catchers (the 5 Girl Scouts Overseas with the most hours logged) will win a Citizen Science book pack with *The Field Guide to Citizen Science: How You Can Contribute to Scientific Research* and *Make a Difference and Citizen Scientists: Be a Part of Scientific Discovery from Your Own Backyard*
- The overseas country that logs the most hours will win an exclusive meet and greet with the Stall Catchers team where girls will not only hear from the creators of Stall Catchers and be able to ask questions, but will also help design the first-ever Girl Scout/Stall Catchers patch!!

Prize winners will be announced via a special video message and shared with all participants on Giving Tuesday, November 29.

**Don't want to wait to get started catching? [Use this spreadsheet](#) to find your country's specific join link and sign up today!**

Looking to promote the Catch-A-Thon among your Girl Scout Troop or Overseas Committee? Download and share [this flier](#).

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**[Find the Perfect Present with our USAGSO Holiday Gift Guide](#)**



Wondering what to get your loved ones this holiday season? We've got you covered! Check out our [2022 USAGSO Holiday Gift Guide](#) to find gifts for the whole family. Plus, as our gift to you, use code Thanks22 from Nov. 4 through Nov. 23 for **\$10 off** your total purchase of \$60 or more.

To ensure that all of your gifts are wrapped and ready in time for the holiday, browse our retail selection and place your order this November.

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### **New Troop Leader Orientation and Back to Troop Trainings – 1 Date Remaining in 2023!**



USA Girl Scouts Overseas is once again offering LIVE training this year for volunteers. Whether you're brand-new to USAGSO or have been volunteering overseas for years, we have something for you!

Our New Troop Leader Orientation is designed to provide an introductory

overview of Girl Scouting to new troop leaders/volunteers overseas. Join us on 11 December at 9am CET / 5pm JST. [Register in gsLearn!](#)

Our Back to Troop training is designed for returning troop leaders/volunteers overseas who want a refresher on all things Girl Scouts before resuming meeting with your girls. We'll also cover important program updates, including info on all the new badges this year. Join us on 11 December at 11am CET / 7pm JST.

[Register in gsLearn!](#)

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## **Support Girls this Giving Day.**

Did you know there are approximately 50,000 non-profit organizations serving women and girls – and for the last decade, they have received **only 2% of all charitable giving?**

This Giving Day (11/29), make sure you #GivetoGirls with a gift to USAGSO! This year, our Council of Advisors will match your gift 2-to-1, so don't miss out on the chance to triple your impact, this Giving Day!

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## **Support USAGSO While You Shop**

Purchasing items from the [GSUSA retail store](#) in New York? Enter the code **USAGSO** in the "have a promo" field when checking out to make sure your purchase benefits USA Girl Scouts Overseas. The code will not interfere with other promotions or coupon codes.

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## **Thank you to our VALC Sponsors!**

Our 2022 Virtual Adult Learning Conference was a blast! Thank you to all who attended and helped make the weekend so special. And a special thank you to our sponsor, The Modern Goddess Project.

The mission of The Modern Goddess Project is: "Women working together to REdisCOVER our unique and individual passions and purposes, to achieve our dreams and goals, and to create Extraordinary Lives through education,

community, support for ourselves, our communities, and our world!"



# USAGSO Program & Training

## Black Girls Matter: Jumping the Hurdles

[Join](#) USA Girl Scouts Overseas on **December 10** for a very special program, hosted by Taryn-Marie Jenkins. Taryn-Marie is not only a [Girl Scout](#) alum, she is also a [2019 National Gold Award Girl Scout](#)! Through her Gold Award project, Taryn-Marie made it possible for foster care youth transitioning to college to have the needed dormitory supplies with her **Jumping the Hurdles – Foster Care to College** project. She connected students to college professionals and provided resources and helpful tips to help students manage the transition from high school and the foster home to college. Today, Taryn-Marie is a senior at Hampton University, a Historically Black College or University (HBCU) in Hampton, VA, where she is pursuing a degree in Journalism with a concentration in Cinema Studies and a minor in Leadership Studies.

**Find your voice.  
Tell your story.  
Stand up to racism.**



During our hour with this inspiring alum, we will:

- Learn more about Taryn-Marie's Gold Award project as well as how she continues to put her black girl magic out into the world

- Understand why Taryn-Marie's selection as a National Gold Award Girl Scout is important for black girls everywhere (hint -- representation matters!)
- Explore the history and importance of HBCUs
- And, without a doubt, all walk away inspired to make the world a better place!

[Register today!](#)

## **Taste the World – Tiramisu**



[Join](#) USA Girl Scouts Overseas for another delicious cooking class in our Taste the World program series on **December 11!**

Once a month, we feature a Chef or Home Cook, teaching us how to create a dish from their country. The host will share stories about their country and their culture as they guide you through how to prepare the dish du jour.

During this session, Melissa will teach us how to make a unique fruit tiramisu from Italy. Melissa and her husband run a popular restaurant in Tuscany called [X Bocca di Bacco](#), so we are most certainly in great hands for this class! Tiramisu is traditionally a coffee-flavored Italian dessert. However, the recipe has been adapted into many varieties of cakes and other sweets -- we'll be learning Melissa's favorite interpretation that features delicious, fresh fruit. Our mouths are already watering just thinking about it!

[Register today!](#)



## **Other Program Opportunities**

# 15-Tips for a Stress Free Thanksgiving Dinner from Taste the World Host, Chez Nermine



Thanksgiving dinner is just around the corner! To help make your Thanksgiving dinner memorable, stress-free and truly enjoyable, we are delighted to share with you [Chez Nermine](#)'s top 15 tips. Chez Nermine is an Egyptian-American food writer, recipe developer, and staunch advocate of Egyptian Cuisine... and upcoming host of the upcoming [Taste the World – Ta'amia](#) (Egyptian

Falafel) session on May 13!

These tips are lessons learned from everything that went so right or darn wrong since she started hosting Thanksgiving 13 years ago. [Click here](#) to grab the guide and have a marvelous Thanksgiving!



## Share Your Program with USAGSO

Is your Overseas Committee hosting a virtual program, open to all USAGSO members, that you'd like to see featured in *The Globe*? All you need to do is fill out [this form](#) to get it included! *The Globe* sends every other Friday. Please be sure to submit your info at least 2 weeks in advance of the event to ensure there is enough time to spread the word.



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