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SIGA crowns champion of Saskatchewan's first World Series of Mahjong event

Saskatoon, SK – (Dakota Dunes Casino) Etta Lee claimed the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority (SIGA)'s first Mahjong Championship trophy at Dakota Dunes Casino on October 23, 2016.

SIGA held the province's first World Series of Mahjong (WSOM) circuit event this past weekend. Second place in the tournament went to Zhou Lei and third place to Wei Li. All three winners are from Saskatoon. A total of 48 players competed in the two day event.

SIGA's top three players have each earned a seat at the 2016 Canadian Finals in November at River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond, BC. Their prize package includes airfare, a three night stay at the River Rock Casino Resort, and spending money.

Canada's top three Mahjong champions will move forward to compete in the World Series of Mahjong being held in Macau. The WSOM tournament attracts players from all over the globe with an estimated prize pool of \$500,000.

For more information, see: <http://dakotadunescasino.com/promotions/mahjong/>.

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The Game of Mahjong:

Mahjong (also spelled Majiang and Mah Jongg) is a game of four players that originated in China during the Qing dynasty and is played all over the world in a variety of forms and rules, particularly throughout Asia. Similar to the card game Rummy, Mahjong most closely represents a game of skill, strategy and calculation, with a degree of chance. The game is played with tiles based on Chinese characters and symbols.