

Carrie Vaughan
Athlete, entrepreneur and world traveler



From a young age, Carrie Vaughan proved herself to be an exceptionally talented, passionate and dedicated young woman. Not only did she excel academically, but by the age of fifteen, only a year after starting the challenging game, Vaughan blossomed into one of Washington State's top junior golfers.

At Seattle Preparatory School, one of the top academic high schools in the country, Vaughan made a name for herself as Seattle city's High School Individual Golf Champion for four years running (1990-1993), and finished second in the Washington state tournament (1993). While dedicated to the sport, Vaughan was also committed to her studies and upon graduation, was bestowed as a member of the National Honor Society, an honor that recognizes top students across the country. Coaches and teachers commented, "Carrie is a pressure golfer and student with exceptional concentration. She has a maturity level above her age with outstanding skills both on the course and in the classroom."

After high school, in search of a top-ranked golf team and challenging education, Vaughan chose to study Business Administration with an emphasis in Entrepreneurial Studies, and accept an offer to play golf at the University of Southern California (USC) where she finished as a 4-year member of the Women's NCAA Division I Golf team. In 1993, Vaughan finished in the Washington State Amateur Top 10 and was a quarterfinalist in the PPGA. While on the golf team at USC, Vaughan was afforded an exciting opportunity to play in the prestigious "Topy Cup" in Tanagura, Japan, where she finished 26th individually in helping the team finished in 2nd place overall. The trip abroad solidified Carrie's third passion; golf, business, and now, travel.

Graduation from university gave Vaughan the opportunity to focus on her other interests. After traveling throughout Europe, Vaughan decided to return to America and settled in Los Angeles where she dabbled in modeling, founded numerous successful product development firms and successfully worked in medical sales, where she was consistently ranked in the top 10% nationwide and once was the top sales representative for 4 consecutive months.

Vaughan's passion for golf never faded and in 2004 she returned to the game to find a way to combine all of her various interests. Currently, Vaughan is a Level III certified member of the United States Golf Teachers Federation (USGTF), and has worked as a PGA Apprentice Professional at the renowned Big Canyon Country Club in Newport Beach, California. Vaughan also has volunteered her time as an instructor of the After School Programs for Total Golf Adventures.

In July 2005, Vaughan became the first-ever American female to compete in a qualifying tournament for the Korean Ladies Professional Golf Association (KLPGA) when she played at the Sun Hill Golf Club near Seoul, Korea. As expected the media coverage was enormous, but Vaughan was up to the task as she shot an opening round 74, tying her for 11th place out of over 230 golfers. Despite failing to qualify, Vaughan plans on returning to Korea to attempt to qualify again in Spring 2006.***

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