



PRESS RELEASE

COOPER TENNIS COMPLEX IN SPRINGFIELD, MO., ONE OF 12 TENNIS FACILITIES HONORED FOR EXCELLENCE AS A 2016 USTA FACILITY AWARD WINNER

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., June 30, 2016 – The USTA today announced that the Cooper Tennis Facility in Springfield, Mo., is one of 12 winners in the 35th annual USTA Facility Awards program, which recognizes excellence in the construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country. The Cooper Tennis Complex will be honored at the USTA Semi-annual Meeting at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City on September 1st at an Awards luncheon.

The Cooper Tennis Complex is home to one local high school team, four collegiate teams and the World Team Tennis Springfield Lasers. The facility hosts all levels of USTA events, including Play Days, 10 and Under events, as well as USTA sanctioned tournaments. Junior Team Tennis, Tennis On Campus and USTA Adult local leagues compete at Cooper making this one of the busiest tennis facilities in the state. Cooper Tennis outreach programs include the Springfield Public Schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, Arc of the Ozarks, Solutions, Neighborhood Associations, and area churches.

“Great tennis facilities like the Cooper Tennis Complex help us to grow the game at the grass-roots level, and we are proud to recognize them for their ongoing impact on the sport of tennis,” said Kurt Kamperman, Chief Executive, Community Tennis, USTA. “The Cooper Tennis Complex has embraced many of our tennis initiatives and kept the sport at the forefront of its community each year.”

To be considered for an award, facilities must be under the jurisdiction of a park and recreation department, an educational institution, a nonprofit corporation or be a private or commercially owned and operated facility that offers both USTA and public programming designed to help grow tennis.

Facilities were judged on the following criteria: overall layout and adaptation to site; excellence of court surface and lights; ease of maintenance; accommodations for players, spectators and press/officials; aesthetics; graphics (including the use of signs and landscaping); amenities such as casual seating for spectators, food services and social areas; and the facilities’ participation in USTA programs.

Nominated facilities were voted on in the following categories: **Public Courts** that are either small tennis centers with 2-10 courts or large tennis centers with 11 or more courts; **Educational Institutions**; and **Private Facilities** that support the USTA and other “growth of the game” programs open to the public.

All 2016 award winners will receive a wall plaque and an all-weather sign, which can be mounted at the facility. Certificates of award will be made available to park and recreation departments, schools and those professionals responsible for the design, construction and maintenance of the facility. In addition, a one-year complimentary membership to the USTA will be awarded to each winning facility.

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Oak Brook Tennis Center – Oak Brook, Ill.

Oklahoma City Tennis Center – Oklahoma City, Okla.

Sound Shore Indoor Tennis LLC – Port Chester, N.Y.

Owensboro Tennis Facility – Owensboro, Ky.

The Candy Erickson Tennis Center – Park City, Utah (Featured Facility)

Educational Institution

McCallie School Strang-Voges Tennis Center – Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Private Facilities

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OKLAHOMA CITY TENNIS CENTER ONE OF 12 TENNIS FACILITIES HONORED FOR EXCELLENCE AS A 2016 USTA FACILITY AWARD WINNER

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., June 30, 2016 – The USTA today announced that the Oklahoma Tennis Center in Oklahoma City, Okla., is one of 12 winners in the 35th annual USTA Facility Awards program, which recognizes excellence in the construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country. The Oklahoma Tennis Center will be honored at the USTA Semi-annual Meeting at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City on September 1st at an Awards luncheon.

The largest public park tennis facility in the region, the Oklahoma City Tennis Center features 24 outdoor hard courts, six indoor hard courts, and six dedicated 10 and Under courts. More than \$4 million of improvements were completed last year. The facility has hosted the Oklahoma High School Championships for more than 30 years and there are more than 40 high school tournaments hosted per year, as well as multiple National, Sectional, and District level Junior and Adult tournaments. A local National Junior Tennis and Learning (NJTL) First Serve program also operates out of the facility.

“Great tennis facilities like the Oklahoma City Tennis Center help us to grow the game at the grass-roots level, and we are proud to recognize them for their ongoing impact on the sport of tennis,” said Kurt Kamperman, Chief Executive, Community Tennis, USTA. “The Oklahoma City Tennis Center has embraced many of our tennis initiatives and kept the sport at the forefront of its community each year.”

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MICHAEL AND ANNE GREENWOOD TENNIS CENTER IN STILLWATER, OKLA., ONE OF 12 TENNIS FACILITIES HONORED FOR EXCELLENCE AS A 2016 USTA FACILITY AWARD WINNER

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., June 30, 2016 – The USTA today announced that the Michael and Anne Greenwood Tennis Center in Stillwater, Okla., is one of 12 winners in the 35th annual USTA Facility Awards program, which recognizes excellence in the construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country. The Michael and Anne Greenwood Tennis Center will be honored at the USTA Semi-annual Meeting at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City on September 1st at an Awards luncheon.

The facility is being recognized in the Educational category and is located on the campus of Oklahoma State University. The Michael and Anne Greenwood Tennis Center is a \$17.5 million facility and was dedicated in October of 2015. With 12 outdoor courts and six indoor courts, the facility has outdoor seating for 2,400 spectators. There are two video scoreboards and HD Live Video Streaming capability on all 18 courts. The facility hosted the 2016 Big 12 Men's and Women's Championships, as well as the NCAA first and second rounds the past two seasons. The facility was made possible by a lead gift from Michael and Anne Greenwood, and is the largest single gift to be given to Oklahoma State by a resident of Stillwater.

"Great tennis facilities like the Michael and Anne Greenwood Tennis Center help us to grow the game at the grass-roots level, and we are proud to recognize them for their ongoing impact on the sport of tennis," said Kurt Kamperman, Chief Executive, Community Tennis, USTA. "The Michael and Anne Greenwood Tennis Center has embraced many of our tennis initiatives and kept the sport at the forefront of its community each year."

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