



## 2016 COMMUNITY TENNIS AWARDS DESCRIPTION

### INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

**Volunteer of the Year** – This award is presented to a volunteer who has demonstrated outstanding service and dedication to all aspects of the game of tennis.

**\*High School All Star No Cut Coach of the Year**  
This award is presented to a high school coach who implements a 'No-Cut' policy for their tennis teams.

**Millennial Volunteer of the Year** – This award is presented to a person in their 20's/30's who makes an impact in their tennis community.

**The Wilson Blast Excellence Award** – The Wilson Blast Excellence Award is presented to a junior high or high school tennis coach who has exemplified leadership and enthusiasm while hosting a series of Wilson Blast events. Requirements: hosted, registered, and documented (participation, dates, highlights) at least two Wilson Blast Events in 2016.

**Advocate of the Year** - This award is presented to a person who has inspired others to grow grassroots tennis in their community.

**\* Jr. Team Tennis Coordinator** – This award is presented to a JTT Coordinator who has made an extraordinary effort to organize, facilitate and promote USTA JTT programming.

**Jr. Team Tennis Rookie Coordinator** - This award is presented to a new JTT Coordinator who has made an extraordinary effort to organize, facilitate and promote USTA JTT programming.

**Diverse Achievement Award of the Year** - The Diversity Achievement award recognizes individuals who are committed to enhancing Diversity and who recognize the importance of transforming communities into an inclusive environment for all to play tennis.

### ORGANIZATION/PROGRAM AWARDS:

**\*CTA of the Year** – This award is available to all Texas Community Tennis Associations. The CTA must be in good standing with USTA Texas and demonstrate the growth of tennis within their communities.

**CTA Excellence** – This award is available to all Texas Community Tennis Associations including new, existing, or revived CTAs.

**Partner Up!** – This award is available to partners of our tennis community. Examples: CVBs, B&G Clubs, Parks and Recreation, Youth Sports organizations, and etc...

**Hot Shots Program of the Year** – This award is presented to an instructor, school, or organization that has actively promoted out-of-school tennis by hosting Hot Shots programs. This could include running multiple and/or consecutive Hot Shots programs, having a large group of kids participate, or doing something "Extra" to enhance the program and their players' experience.

**\*NJTL Chapter of the Year** – This award is presented to the USTA Texas NJTL chapter that showed an exemplary commitment to the sport through tennis and educational programming and community partnerships.

**Youth Excellence Program of the Year** – This award is presented to a facility or program that has offered the most outstanding youth tennis programs to their players in an effort to follow the Youth Tennis pathway and 10-and-Under guidelines. This could include offering opportunities such as Schools programs, 10U programs, Hot Shots, Kids' Tennis Club, NJTL, Junior Team Tennis, and/or Play Days.

**Application:** <http://tinyurl.com/2016AwardsCT>

\* These award winners become USTA Texas candidates for USTA National awards

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**Application Deadline:** Sept. 1, 2016