



2019 Wyoming Tennis Award Categories

Marie Robertson Lifetime Achievement Award

This award is given from time to time for individual and extraordinary lifetime service to tennis within the Wyoming District. This award was first introduced in 1991 and given to Marie Robertson of Casper, WY.

Art Frakt Volunteer of the Year Award

This award, named after Art Frakt of Jackson, a longtime USTA Wyoming player, official and volunteer who passed away in February 2017, is given annually to an individual who has made valuable contributions to the growth & development of tennis in USTA Wyoming by working as a volunteer at the local and/or district level. This person has demonstrated a passion for giving back to their community or school through tennis by starting a new program such as 10 & under tennis, junior team tennis, entry level tournaments, growing league programs or helping existing programs thrive. Adults are 18 & older.

Organization of the Year Award

This award is given annually to a USTA Organizational Member which could include Community Tennis Associations, parks & recreation districts, schools (ES, MS and/or HS), clubs (i.e., Boys & Girls Clubs, etc.) and after-school providers. Honors an organization that stands out as a leader in the district, supporting community tennis programs and local community. The organization coordinates and maintains programs and services, guaranteeing they are open and accessible to all.

Family of the Year Award

Recognizes a family's significant contribution or accomplishments in tennis. Ideally, all members of the family represent the development & promotion of tennis on & off the court on a local and/or district basis.

Diversity and Inclusion Achievement Award

This award is presented to an individual or organization that has championed the cause for diversity both on & off the court. Through hard work, persistence, and unwavering dedication, the nominee has helped to expand the image of tennis to be inclusive of diverse populations. Other considerations are demonstrating a high degree of organizational ability, success in serving all players in the area, quality off & on court programs, management structure, and involvement with the tennis community.

Courage Award

Given to an individual who has continued their involvement in tennis in the Wyoming district despite experiencing severe hardships and/or life threatening situations.

Media Excellence Award

Includes organizations or individuals active in print, television, radio or digital media. Nominee must live and/or work in the Wyoming district. Coverage of local USTA events, scholastic and community tennis are equally considered.

Tournament Director of the Year Award

A tournament director who manages USTA-sanctioned tournaments in the section while providing participants, officials and spectators a quality experience. Those who run multiple events, entry-level events, community friendly events or display innovation & creativity are strongly considered.

Junior Player Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award

This award is based primarily on high performance results at USTA local, district, sectional, national tournaments as well as high school tennis. Equally important is a spotless record of sportsmanship and a demonstration of raising the game to its highest level. Accomplishments in the classroom, such as honor roll, GPA, etc., are also key. Nomination should include a list by year all accomplishments that highlight the nominees' careers, including ranking information. Examples of accomplishments could include tournaments, invitation to special camps or events, or selection to participate on special teams etc.

Net Generation Youth Tennis Ambassador Award

Presented to a coach, teacher or volunteer who is an enthusiastic participant in/advocate for the Net Generation program. This person wholeheartedly welcomes new people into tennis, introducing the sport in a way that creates enthusiastic and passionate tennis players who continue to participate in the sport.

Developmental Coach/Teaching Professional of the Year Award

Honors an active instructor who demonstrates a significant contribution to tennis through promotion of USTA programs, service to the community and support of the USTA mission. This person demonstrates a dedication to instilling the love of the game into adult and/or junior players in their communities.

Junior Team Tennis Organizer Award

Recognizes a Junior Team Tennis organizer who goes above & beyond to grow participation and quality local Junior Team Tennis programs.

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