



## Qualifying Fields Set for Western & Southern Open *Two Round Qualifying Event to Take Place on Opening Weekend*

**CINCINNATI (July 28, 2021)** – Six players who have won tour titles this season highlight the qualifying field entrants for the 2021 Western & Southern Open.

The qualifying tournament occurs during Opening Weekend, presented by Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center, Aug. 14-15. Fifteen players – seven women and eight men – will advance out of the two-round qualifying tournament into the 56-player main draw fields for the Western & Southern Open.

Four players who have won WTA titles in 2021 highlight the women’s qualifying field, including **Sara Sorribes Tormo** (Guadalajara), **Liudmila Samsonova** (Berlin), 18-year-old **Leylah Fernandez** (Monterrey) and 19-year-old **Maria Camila Osorio Serrano** (Bogota). The field also includes Olympic quarterfinalist **Camila Giorgi**, who is fresh off two singles wins over opponents ranked in the top 15. Former US Open champion and 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year **Sloane Stephens** has also entered the qualifying field.

**Carlos Alcaraz** and **Sebastian Korda** have claimed titles on the ATP tour in 2021, with Alcaraz, 18, winning in Umag and Korda conquering the championship in Parma. The 21-year-old Korda is the son of two-time Western & Southern Open quarterfinalist Petr Korda. The men’s qualifying field also features players who went deep in previous Western & Southern Opens, including **Jan-Lennard Struff** (2020 Quarterfinals), **Richard Gasquet** (2019 Semifinals) and **Yoshihito Nishioka** (2019 Quarterfinals).

ATP Qualifying Field				WTA Qualifying Field			
46	Federico Delbonis	30	ARG	45	Magda Linette	29	POL
47	Sebastian Korda	21	USA	47	Sara Sorribes Tormo	24	ESP
48	Jan-Lennard Struff	31	GER	49	Viktorija Golubic	28	SUI
49	Benoit Paire	32	FRA	50	Donna Vekic	25	CRO
50	Laslo Djere	26	SRB	51	Ajla Tomljanovic	28	AUS
51	Lloyd Harris	24	RSA	53	Shuai Zhang	32	CHN
52	Miomir Kecmanovic	21	SRB	54	Marie Bouzkova	23	CZE
53	Richard Gasquet	35	FRA	55	Liudmila Samsonova	22	RUS



54	Frances Tiafoe	23	USA	56	Rebecca Peterson	25	SWE
55	Carlos Alcaraz	18	ESP	57	Katerina Siniakova	25	CZE
56	Tommy Paul	24	USA	60	Kristina Mladenovic	28	FRA
57	Yoshihito Nishioka	25	JPN	61	Camila Giorgi	29	ITA
59	Dominik Koepfer	27	GER	63	Alize Cornet	31	FRA
61	Lorenzo Musetti	19	ITA	64	Tereza Martincova	26	CZE
62	Vasek Pospisil	31	CAN	65	Anastasija Sevastova	31	LAT
63	Jordan Thompson	27	AUS	66	Heather Watson	29	GBR
64	Federico Coria	29	ARG	67	Jil Teichmann	24	SUI
65	Marcos Giron	28	USA	69	Sloane Stephens	28	USA
66	Ilya Ivashka	27	BLR	71	Caroline Garcia	27	FRA
67	Jaume Munar	24	ESP	72	Leylah Fernandez	18	CAN
76*	Guido Pella	31	ARG	73	Su-Wei Hsieh	35	TPE
				76	Patricia Maria Tig	27	ROU
				77	Maria Camila Osorio Serrano	19	COL
				78	Irina-Camelia Begu	30	ROU
				88*	Vera Zvonareva	36	RUS
				97*	Andrea Petkovic	33	GER
				303*	Elena Vesnina	34	RUS
				456*	Yaroslava Shvedova	33	KAZ

\*Using a protected ranking

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An additional four players will be awarded wild cards for each qualifying field while an additional three players may join the ATP field through a special exemption.

Dominic Thiem and Stan Wawrinka have both withdrawn from the ATP main draw entry list due to injuries. Alternates **John Millman** and **Dusan Lajovic** will now join the field.

While the qualifying matches take place over opening weekend, many main draw players will also be on the grounds practicing. The main draw action begins Sunday for the ATP with a full slate of main draw play on top from Monday, Aug. 16. The full schedule is available [here](#).

All tickets, including full series, mini-plans, single session and hospitality packages, are now on sale and information about available tickets can be found [here](#).

The Western & Southern Open will be held Aug. 14-22, with first serve taking place at 10 a.m. on Aug. 14 for the qualifying tournament. The men's and women's singles finals will take place on Sunday, Aug. 22. The schedule is available [here](#).

The Western & Southern Open, an ATP Masters 1000 and a WTA 1000, is part of the US Open Series and is held at the Lindner Family Tennis Center in Mason, Ohio.

#### **About the Western & Southern Open**

*Founded in 1899, the Western & Southern Open is an ATP Masters 1000 and a WTA 1000 tournament. The Western & Southern Open annually welcomes nearly 200,000 fans who come from all 50 states and more than 35 countries and is seen by more than 50 million global viewers in over 160 countries. The tournament is also one of the last stops on the US Open Series before the US Open in New York. Since 1974, the tournament has contributed more than \$11 million to various beneficiaries including Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, the Barrett Cancer Center and Tennis for City Youth. The tournament is held at the Lindner Family Tennis Center, 20 miles north of Cincinnati in Mason, Ohio. For more information, visit [www.wsopen.com](http://www.wsopen.com).*

#### **About the US Open Series**

*The US Open Series serves as a true "regular season" of summer tennis in North America, linking nine WTA and ATP Tour tournaments to the US Open. Featuring a cohesive weekly viewing schedule, as well as comprehensive outreach and grassroots engagement initiatives, the Series serves as a vital platform to promote and grow the game of tennis in person and at home. Fans can follow along all summer as today's top champions go head-to-head with tomorrow's emerging stars, while each tournament engages its local community with a variety of programs geared toward showcasing and promoting the game to new and existing fans.*

#### **About the WTA**

*Founded by Billie Jean King in 1973 on the principle of equal opportunity for women in sports, the WTA is the global leader in women's professional sport with more than 1,650 players representing 84 nations competing for a record \$180 million in prize money. In 2019, the WTA was watched by a record-breaking global audience of 700 million. The 2020 WTA season includes 55 events and four Grand Slams in 29 countries and regions. The season culminates with the Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen, offering a \$14 million total prize purse and honoring the season's top singles and doubles players. Further information on the WTA can be found at [www.wtatennis.com](http://www.wtatennis.com).*

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