



USTA NORTH CAROLINA

2018 USTA NORTH CAROLINA AWARD WINNERS

NC TENNIS AWARDS

DECEMBER 19, 2018

The USTA North Carolina Awards Committee announced the winners who will be recognized Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst. Earlier this year, the committee announced eight winners who were recognized in September at the annual Community Development Workshop.

A complete list of the 2018 USTA North Carolina award winners is listed below.

- This year, Charlotte led all North Carolina cities with eight award winners. Cary and Raleigh finished second with five award winners apiece. Asheville and Greensboro tied for third with four award winners respectively.

TENNIS WEEKEND (Jan. 26, 2019)

- Adaptive Tennis Award: Helen Leonard (Charlotte)
- Adult/Senior Tennis Council Award: Rodney Sparks (Hendersonville)
- Adult Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award In Honor of John T. 'Jack' Warmath: Kim Lesage (Thomasville)
- Adult Tennis Male Sportsmanship Award in Honor of John T. 'Jack' Warmath: Vijay Subbanna (Fayetteville)
- Adult/Senior/NTRP Tournament of the Year: Blakeney Adult NTRP Open (Charlotte)
- Carlton Harris Tennis Professional of the Year: Pam Gilbert (Cary)
- Charity Tennis Event of the Year: Providence Country Club Ladies Tennis Member/Guest Event (Charlotte)
- Coach David L. Lash Junior Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award - 18s: Katie Andreini (Cary)
- Coach Don Skakle High School Tennis Male Player of the Year: Mark Dillon (Charlotte)
- Debbie Southern Junior Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award - 12s: Ann Harrison Wilde (Hendersonville)
- Debbie Southern Junior Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award - 12s: Sophia Catino (Wilmington)
- Debbie Southern Junior Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award - 14s: Cameron Bradley (Durham)
- Debbie Southern Junior Tennis Female Sportsmanship Award - 16s: Julia Abrams (Mooresville)
- Dottie and John Peddycord President's Award: TBD
- Facility of the Year: Taylor Tennis Center (Clemmons)
- Family of the Year Given by J. Blount & Dargan M. Williams: Thomson Family (Winston-Salem)
- Female Senior Player of the Year: Kristen Kepler (Raleigh)
- Grady Elmore Media Excellence Award: Brian Hall (Greensboro)
- Hal Southern Junior Tennis Male Sportsmanship Award - 12s: Noah McDonald (Charlotte)
- Hal Southern Junior Tennis Male Sportsmanship Award - 14s: Sam Schainblatt (Raleigh)
- Hal Southern Junior Tennis Male Sportsmanship Award - 16s: Matthew Gooch (Charlotte)
- High School Coach of the Year Given In Honor of Coach Ron Lee: Mike Vandegrift (Lake Toxaway)
- High School Tennis Female Player of the Year: Emily Holderness (Charlotte)
- J.S. Love Adult Tennis Female Player of the Year: Bonnie Delmar (Cary)
- J.S. Love Adult Tennis Male Player of the Year: Simon Cagle (Raleigh)
- James H. Leighton Junior Tennis Female Player of the Year: Geraldine Alexandra Nicole Bowen (Greensboro)
- James H. Leighton Junior Tennis Male Player of the Year: Kai Villagomez (Matthews)
- Junior Tennis Council Award Given In Honor of John Peddycord: William Davis, Jr. (Durham)
- Junior Tennis Male Sportsmanship Award - 18s Given by Billy and Jean Trott: Jim Dick (Cary)
- Junior Tournament of the Year In Memory of John Allen Farfour: Brunswick County Junior Open L5 (Southport)

- Mary Milam Award: TBD
- NJTL Chapter of the Year: Rockingham County Tennis Association (Madison)
- Peggy Golden Spirit Award: Bob Cause (Winnabow)
- Special Tennis Event of the Year Given In Honor of Bev Earle: 2018 Asheville Fed Cup Tie - USA vs Netherlands (Asheville)
- Team Tennis Event/Program of the Year Given by Omega Sports: CTA Charlotte Area Pro League (Charlotte)
- Tennis Official of the Year in Memory of Penny Brawley: Jo Ann Hundley (Chapel Hill)
- USTA NC Diversity Outreach and Inclusion Award: Rosalind Hayes Simpson (Greensboro)
- Walt Stamer Male Senior Player of the Year: Willis Anderson (Asheville)
- USTA League Captain of the Year: Yubie Albert (Raleigh)
- USTA League Tennis Local League Coordinator of the Year: Tracy Debnam (Raleigh)

About the USTA North Carolina Awards Committee

The USTA North Carolina Awards Committee meets to review the award nominations, discuss the nominees, and vote to select the winners who will represent USTA North Carolina. This committee is comprised by a group of volunteers who work in conjunction with the USTA North Carolina staff to promote and market these annual awards. Committee members are also charged with recommending new awards, amending current awards, and making other awards suggestions to the USTA North Carolina

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP Board of Directors.

(Sept. 29, 2018).

- Community Tennis Association of the Year: Asheville Tennis Association (Asheville)
- Educational Merit Award Given by Buster & Karen Brown: Lenny Simpson (Wilmington)
- League Volunteer Service Award Given by Omega Sports: Mindy Nelson (Asheville)
- Member Organization of the Year: Prestonwood Country Club (Cary)
- Outstanding Parks & Recreation Department Given by Metaltek: Huntersville Parks & Recreation (Huntersville)
- USTA Junior Team Tennis Local League Coordinator of the Year: Cari Powell (Greensboro)