

USTA-NEVADA AWARD NOMINATIONS

ADULT AWARDS:

Adult League Ambassador: This Annual Award is given to recognize the efforts of outstanding “ambassadors” for the promotion of adult league play in southern Nevada.

Adult Sportsmanship of the Year Award: This Award is given to a player who not only exemplifies the word “Sportsmanship,” but shows it on and off the court, by giving their opponent the benefit of the doubt. They are recognized by umpires and onlookers as players who are truly good sports.

Community Leadership Award: This Annual Award recognizes the achievements of that individual who has had the greatest impact in promoting and developing community tennis in southern Nevada.

Community Partner of the Year: This Annual Award is given to recognize the efforts of a member of the USTA’s National Staff toward the development of community tennis in southern Nevada.

Community Service Award (Sandy Tueller Award): This Annual Award is given to recognize an individual who has made a significant contribution to the development of community tennis in southern Nevada.

Event of the Year: This Annual Award is given in recognition of the outstanding tennis event of the year in southern Nevada.

Facility of the Year: This award is given in recognition of the opening of a new tennis club or improvements made to an existing facility. This award is also given to recognize the outstanding program contributions of a facility to the tennis community.

Family of the Year (Junior & Adult): This Award goes to a family who contributes to the game of tennis at every level, competitively and voluntarily. They go above and beyond the call of duty. Not only do they participate in Tournaments and Leagues, but they try to assist in helping the Tournament and Event Coordinators in any way possible.

Community Partner of the Year: This award is given in recognition of the contributions made to the promotion of the game of tennis by virtue of their partnership with USTA Nevada.

Lifetime Achievement Award (George MacCall Award): This Award is given for Individual Lifetime Service to Tennis within the Nevada District.

Media Excellence Award: This Annual Award is given in recognition of an individual's and organization's outstanding media coverage for the sport of tennis in southern Nevada.

Organization of the Year Award: This Annual Award is given to recognize the services rendered to the Nevada Tennis Association's USTA Members by its Member Organizations.

Pro of the Year: This Annual Award recognizes the pro who has made the greatest contribution toward developing adult league players in southern Nevada.

Sponsor of the Year Award: This Annual Award recognizes the individual or organization which has made the greatest contribution toward sponsorship of the game of tennis in southern Nevada

Tournament of the Year: This Annual Award is given in recognition of the year's best tournament in southern Nevada.

USTA President's Award, USTA-Nevada: This Annual Award is given in recognition of the outstanding contributions of a member of USTA-Nevada's Board of Directors.

USTA President's Award: This award is given in recognition of a USTA Nevada's Board or Committee Member's outstanding accomplishments.

Volunteer of the Year (Darlene Lang Award): This Award is named after Darlene Lang. It is Awarded Annually to the NTA Volunteer of the Year in recognition of his or her outstanding contribution, personal unselfishness and devotion to the game. The Volunteer of the Year Award is also given out to an outstanding junior and parent.

JUNIOR AWARDS:

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR: This Award is given to a player who not only has committed to the game of tennis by playing in Tournaments, but played with great success by reaching the Top Five in their age divisions. These players are being recognized because they have earned their so-called “stripes” as tennis competitors and will be recognizable faces in the years to come.

MOST IMPROVED: This Award is given to a player who has risen his or her game to another level and has made their presence felt in their respective age divisions.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP: This Award is given to a player who not only exemplifies the word “Sportsmanship,” but shows it on and off the court, by giving their opponent the benefit of the doubt. They are recognized by umpires and onlookers as players who are truly good sports.

PANCHO GONZALES AWARD (MOST PROMISING): This Award is given to a player who shows a promising future with the game of tennis. They are only challenged by the challenges they set for themselves. These players show ability, creativity, and are truly natural tennis players.

FAMILY OF THE YEAR: This Award goes to a family who contributes to the game of tennis at every level, competitively and voluntarily. They go above and beyond the call of duty. Not only do they participate in Tournaments and Leagues, but they try to assist in helping the Tournament and Event Coordinators in any way possible.

DEVELOPMENTAL COACH OF THE YEAR: This Award is given to recognize the outstanding individual efforts of a Developmental coach in the Nevada District. This Coach is honored for his or her unending dedication to developing Junior Tennis players at all ability levels through teaching and coaching, presence at Tournaments and the ability to positively impact lives of their Junior players on and off the court.

HIGH PERFORMANCE COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD: This award is given in recognition of a coaches’ expertise and accomplishments with respect to working with and developing high performance players.

JOSH MUTERSPAW AWARD: In January 1994 a Special Award called the “NIKE-JUST DO IT!” Award was presented by Andre Agassi to eighteen year old Josh Muterspaw for his tremendous battle he was fighting against cancer. Josh died on August 15, 1994. The NTA renamed this Award in his honor to be presented to a Junior who, under adverse conditions, exemplifies the courage and determination that Josh did.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD (GIRLS): This Award is given to the outstanding Female Junior Player of the calendar year in Southern Nevada.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD (BOYS): This Award is given to the outstanding Male Junior Player of the calendar year in Southern Nevada.

RECREATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD: This award is given to the coach who has made the greatest contribution toward recruiting and developing recreational players in southern Nevada.

SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD:

Can be awarded to multiple recipients. Player must have a 3.7 GPA or better and be ranked at least in the top 10 in southern Nevada.