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60K LTP/CHARLESTON CHARLESTON. SC • APRIL 30-MAY 7



TOURNAMENT INFO

Site: LTP (Live to Play) - Mount Pleasant, S.C.

Websites: www.ltptennis.com www.procircuit.usta.com

Qualifying Draw Begins: Sunday, April 30

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, May 2

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Clay / Outdoor Prize Money: \$60,000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$9,119	80
Runner-Up	\$4,863	48
Semifinalist	\$2,659	29
Quarterfinalist	\$1,520	15
Round 16	\$911	8
Round 32	\$533	1
DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)	
Winner	\$3,344	
Runner-Up	\$1,672	
Semifinalist	\$836	
Quarterfinalist	\$456	
Round 16	\$304	

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S TENNIS COMES TO CHARLESTON AS A \$60,000 EVENT, CONCLUDES WOMEN'S ROLAND GARROS WILD CARD CHALLENGE

The 60K LTP/Charleston is taking place in Charleston for the first time as a \$60,000 USTA Pro Circuit event. Charleston has hosted other women's USTA Pro Circuit events, ranging in prize money from \$10,000 to \$25,000, from 1985-87, as well as in 2015 and 2016.

Charleston is also the last of four consecutive women's clay-court tournaments (joining an \$80,000 event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., and \$60,000 events in Dothan, Ala., and Charlottesville, Va.) that are part of the Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge, which will award a men's and women's wild card into the 2017 French Open. Numerous men's tournaments are also taking place over the four weeks to award a wild card.

The American man and American woman who earn the most ATP and WTA ranking points over the next four weeks will receive USTA wild cards to compete in the main draws of the French Open, which will be held Sunday, May 28, to Sunday, June 11. Players who do not receive direct entry into the French Open are eligible for the wild cards. The USTA and the French Tennis Federation have a reciprocal agreement in which wild cards into the 2017 French Open and 2017 US Open are exchanged.

This tournament will be streamed live on www. procircuit.usta.com.





Top seed Madison Brengle defeated Serena Williams en route to the quarterfinals of the 2017 Australian Open tune-up in Auckland, New Zealand.

Notable players competing in Charleston include:

Madison Brengle, 27, Dover, Del.

- Top seed in Charleston; ranked No. 97 in the world.
- Advanced to the quarterfinals in Auckland this year, defeating Serena Williams in the second round. Also competed in the 2017 Australian Open and won matches at the WTA premier events in Miami and Indian Wells.
- Advanced to the third round of the 2016 Australian Open, falling to eventual champion Angelique Kerber.
- Reached the semifinals in s'Hertogenbosch, Netherlands, and the quarterfinals of the WTA event in Dubai in 2016, while also winning her eighth USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$50,000 event in Osprey, Fla.
- Reached her first-ever WTA final in Hobart in 2015 and then advanced to the fourth

Former junior No. 1 Taylor Townsend advanced to the third round of the WTA event in Miami this year and qualified for the 2016 US Open, where she faced former world No. 1 Caroline Wozniacki in the first round.



round of the 2015 Australian Open—her career-best Grand Slam result—upsetting Top 10 player Andrea Petkovic in the first round.

- Peaked at No. 35 in the world in May 2015.
- As a junior, won USTA wild card playoffs to earn entry into the Australian Open (2007-08) and the French Open (2008).
- Climbed to No. 4 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in 2007 after advancing to the girls' singles finals at the Australian Open and Wimbledon.

Taylor Townsend, 21, Atlanta

- In 2017, qualified for the WTA event in Miami and advanced to the third round.
- Made third consecutive appearance in the main draw of the French Open in 2016 after winning the USTA Pro Circuit Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge; also won the USTA Pro Circuit Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge in 2014 and advanced to the third round of that year's French Open for her career-best Grand Slam result.
- Qualified for the 2016 US Open and faced Caroline Wozniacki in the first round; also advanced to the women's doubles quarterfinals in New York.
- Holds three USTA Pro Circuit singles titles and 12 USTA Pro Circuit/ ITF Circuit doubles titles, including eight doubles titles in 2016—the most of any player since 1987.
- Was the 2012 ITF World Junior Champion, becoming the first U.S. girl to hold the year-end No. 1 junior ranking since Gretchen Rush in 1982; ascended to No. 1 by winning the Australian Open junior singles and doubles titles, as well as the junior doubles titles at the US Open and Wimbledon in 2012.

Kayla Day, 17, Santa Barbara, Calif.

- Currently ranked a career-high No. 147 in the world.
- Competed in the Australian Open for the first time this year after winning the USTA Pro Circuit Australian Open Wild Card Challenge in fall 2016.
- Advanced to the third round of the WTA event in Indian Wells in 2017 and also reached the singles final of the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
- Won the 2016 US Open girls' singles title and shot to No. 1 in the world junior rankings; also reached the semifinals of junior Wimbledon in 2016.
- Also at the 2016 US Open, earned a wild card into the main draw and won her first-round match over Madison Brengle in her Grand Slam debut.
- Won her first career USTA Pro Circuit singles title in 2016 at the \$50,000 event in Macon, Ga.
- $\bullet\,$ Moved from No. 998 in the rankings at the end of 2015 to No. 195 at the end of 2016.
- Helped lead the U.S. to a second-place finish on clay in Madrid at the 2015 Junior Fed Cup finals.
- Served as a practice partner for the U.S. Fed Cup team in February 2017 for its first-round win over Germany in Maui.

Sofia Kenin, 18, Pembroke Pines, Fla.

- Won her first USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$25,000 event in Wesley Chapel, Fla., in January 2016 and then won the \$50,000 event in Sacramento, Calif., in July.
- Won the 2016 USTA Pro Circuit Wild Card Challenge to earn a wild card into the 2016 US Open, facing eventual finalist Karolina Pliskova in the first round.

- Improved from No. 620 at the end of 2015 to No. 212 at the end of 2016.
- Has reached the semifinals or better at four USTA Pro Circuit events so far in 2017.
- Won the 2015 USTA Girls' 18s national title to earn a wild-card berth into the US Open women's singles draw for her first Grand Slam main draw.
- As a junior player, reached the singles final at the 2015 US Open Junior Championships, the semifinals at the 2016 junior US Open and the quarterfinals at 2016 junior Wimbledon.
- Climbed as high as No. 2 in the ITF World Junior Rankings.
- Represented the U.S. at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and also competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China.
- Also goes by Sonya.

Danielle Collins, 23, St. Petersburg, Fla.

- Graduated from the University of Virginia in 2016 as a two-time NCAA singles champion, winning the title in 2014 and 2016. In doing so, she became the seventh woman all-time to win multiple NCAA singles titles.
- Was also a three-time Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American and the 2016 ITA Senior Player of the Year; tallied 125 career singles victories in college.
- Received wild cards into the US Open women's draw in 2014 and 2016
- Holds two USTA Pro Circuit singles titles (\$10,000 Williamsburg, Va., in 2011, and \$25,000 Stillwater, Okla., in 2016).
- Has trained at Nick Bollettieri's IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla.

Caroline Dolehide, 18, Hinsdale, III.

- Won her first USTA Pro Circuit singles title in June 2016 at the \$10,000 event in Buffalo, N.Y.; also won her first career doubles title in Buffalo.
- Won second career singles title this year at the \$25,000 event in Surprise, Ariz., as well as second doubles title at the \$25,000 event in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
- Advanced to the doubles final at the \$100,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Midland, Mich., this year with fellow young American Kayla Day.
- Ranked as high as No. 16 in the ITF World Junior Rankings.
- Reached the singles semifinals at the 2014 junior US Open and the doubles final at both the 2015 junior French Open and the 2016 junior US Open.

Caitlin Whoriskey, 29, East Sandwich, Mass.

- Won the 2014 US Open National Playoffs women's singles title to earn a wild card into US Open qualifying, where she won her first-round match
- A former University of Tennessee standout, she was named the 2010 College Senior Player of the Year after leading the Volunteers to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament.
- Ranked a career-high No. 109 in the world in doubles after reaching the doubles semifinals of the WTA event in Monterrey, Mexico, in April 2017.
- Holds 14 career USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Circuit doubles titles, including the \$100,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Midland, Mich., this year.
- Captured her first career USTA Pro Circuit singles title in 2014 at the



\$10,000 event in Hilton Head Island, S.C. Also won the \$25,000 event in Fort Worth, Texas, in 2016.

Robin Anderson, 24, Matawan, N.J.

- Graduated from UCLA in 2015 after earning All-America honors in both singles and doubles for the fourth consecutive year, becoming the seventh player in school history to accomplish that feat.
- Named the ITA National Collegiate Player of the Year for 2014-15.
- Was part of UCLA's NCAA-title winning team in 2014 and reached the NCAA doubles final in 2013.
- At the 2015 US Open, won the American Collegiate Invitational, a tournament for the top U.S. college players.
- Has won one USTA Pro Circuit singles title (\$10,000 Landisville, Pa., in 2011) and two doubles titles (\$25,000 Redding, Calif., in 2013 and \$25,000 Daytona Beach, Fla., in 2017).
- In February 2016, reached the final of the \$100,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Midland, Mich.; advanced to two additional USTA Pro Circuit semifinals in 2016.
- As a junior player, reached the singles quarterfinals at the 2010 junior US Open.

Usue Maitane Arconada, 18, College Park, Md.

- Ranked as high as No. 5 in the world junior rankings.
- Won her first pro-level match at age 14, in qualifying for the WTA's Citi Open in Washington, D.C., in 2013, beating then 26-year-old Maria Irigoyen. In 2016, won her first WTA match at the Citi Open as a wild card.
- Reached the final of the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Pelham, Ala., this year.
- Won the junior doubles title at Wimbledon in 2016 (with Claire Liu) and reached the girls' singles quarterfinals; also reached the third round in singles and the quarterfinals in doubles at the 2015 and 2016 junior US Open.
- Born in Argentina and moved to Puerto Rico when her father accepted a position as Puerto Rico's national volleyball coach.

Elizabeth Halbauer, 19

- This year, advanced to the semifinals in both singles and doubles at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit women's event in Orlando, held at the new USTA National Campus.
- Cracked the Top 350 for the first time in 2016 after winning an ITF Circuit event in Argentina in April and reaching the final at another \$25,000 ITF Circuit event in Canada in August.
- Competed in US Open qualifying in 2016 as a wild card.
- Reached the final of the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Daytona Beach, Fla., in 2017.
- Won her first USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$10,000 event in Hilton Head Island, S.C., in 2013.

Lauren Albanese, 27, Coral Springs, Fla.

- Holds three USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles, as well as five doubles titles.
- Won the USTA Girls' 18s title in 2006 to earn a wild card into the US Open, where she advanced to the second round of the women's singles main draw.
- Also competed in the US Open main draw in 2007.

Notable players competing in qualifying include:

Amanda Anisimova, 15, Freehold, N.J.

- Currently the leader in the 2017 Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge after reaching her first USTA Pro Circuit final at the \$80,000 event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., and then advancing to the final of the \$60,000 event in Dothan, Ala., the following week.
- Currently the No. 5-ranked junior in the world.
- Reached the final of the junior French Open in 2016.
- Played in her first WTA main draw at the Miami Open this March, losing to Taylor Townsend in three sets; dominated the first set against Townsend before the more experienced American prevailed, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.
- · Competed in 2016 US Open qualifying.
- Was born in New Jersey to Russian parents and moved to South Florida at age three so her older sister, Maria, could have better tennis training. Maria played at Penn and now works on Wall Street.

Maria Sanchez, 27, Los Angeles

- Has thrived in doubles and has competed in all four Grand Slam tournaments in doubles, peaking at No. 56 in the world in doubles in September 2016.
- Won a WTA doubles title in 2014 in Auckland, New Zealand, with Sharon Fichman; also holds 18 USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles, including three titles in 2016.
- Peaked at No. 107 in the world in singles in July 2013.
- Also in 2013, made her debut in a Grand Slam main draw by earning a wild card into the US Open.
- Was the No. 1-ranked collegian and an ITA All-American at the University of Southern California, winning the 2011 USTA/ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Championship singles title.
- As a junior player, ranked No. 1 in the U.S. as a 16-year-old and No. 4 in the country as an 18-year-old.

Ronit Yurovsky, 23, New Kensington, Pa.

- Graduated in 2016 from the University of Michigan, where she was a 2016 All-American and received four All-Big Ten honors.
- Graduated No. 3 all-time in singles wins at Michigan, with 117.
- · Earned four NCAA Singles Championship berths.
- Won two USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles in 2016.

Sanaz Marand, 28, Katy, Texas

- Played for the University of North Carolina, where she received All-America honors and, in 2010, helped lead the Tar Heels to their first NCAA team semifinals.
- In 2013, won her first USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$25,000 event in El Paso, Texas. Has also won 16 USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles, including three titles this year.

Julia Elbaba, 22, Oyster Bay, N.Y.

- Graduated from the University of Virginia in 2016, setting the UVA record for singles wins with 133 in her career. Earned All-America honors in singles for four consecutive years.
- Was ranked No. 1 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's singles rankings during her collegiate career.
- Holds one USTA Pro Circuit title, in doubles at the \$10,000 event in New Orleans in 2012.



Emina Bektas, 24, Indianapolis

- Won the 2016 US Open National Playoffs Mixed Doubles Championship to earn a main-draw mixed doubles wild card into the 2016 US Open.
- Played for the University of Michigan, graduating in 2015 as the Wolverines' all-time leader in singles wins, with 129, and combined wins, with 258.
- Also played in the NCAA singles tournament all four years of her collegiate career—the first Wolverine in school history to do so.
- Holds one USTA Pro Circuit singles title (\$10,000 Evansville, Ind., in 2013) and one ITF Pro Circuit singles title (\$10,000 Mexico City in 2016).
- Holds nine USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles, including three titles this year.

*Player field subject to change