

## SARGENT & COLLINS, LLP MEN'S \$15,000 FUTURES BUFFALO, NY • JUNE 10-18



### TOURNAMENT INFO

**Site:** Miller Tennis Center – Buffalo, N.Y.

**Websites:** [www.millertenniscenter.com](http://www.millertenniscenter.com)  
[www.procircuit.usta.com](http://www.procircuit.usta.com)

**Qualifying Draw Begins:** Saturday, June 10

**Main Draw Begins:** Tuesday, June 13

**Main Draw:** 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

**Surface:** Clay / Outdoor

**Prize Money:** \$15,000

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### PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$2,160	18
Runner-Up	\$1,272	10
Semifinalist	\$753	6
Quarterfinalist	\$438	2
Round 16	\$258	1
Round 32	\$156	—

  

DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)
Winner	\$930
Runner-Up	\$540
Semifinalist	\$324
Quarterfinalist	\$192
Round 16	\$108

### USTA PRO CIRCUIT RETURNS TO BUFFALO

The **Sargent & Collins, LLP Men's \$15,000 Futures** is being held in Buffalo for the fourth consecutive year and the ninth year overall; a tournament was also held in Buffalo from 2002-06. It is the first of three consecutive \$15,000 clay-court USTA Pro Circuit Futures this month, preceding Rochester, N.Y., and Pittsburgh. In conjunction with USTA Player Development, the USTA Pro Circuit continues to emphasize the importance of increased training for younger players on clay.

Notable players competing in Buffalo include:

**Thai-Son Kwiatkowski, 22, Charlotte**

- Graduated in May from the University of Virginia, where he won the 2017 NCAA singles title.
- Was part of three NCAA championship title-winning teams at Virginia, with the school capturing team titles in 2015, 2016 and 2017. Named "Most Outstanding Player" at the 2016 NCAA team championship.
- Earned his third All-American honor this season.
- Won the American Collegiate Invitational at the US Open in 2016, a tournament for esteemed college players.
- Holds one ITF Pro Circuit singles title, won in Puerto Rico in 2016, as well as three USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles.
- Ranked as high as No. 13 in the world among juniors in 2013. Competed in all four junior Grand Slams in singles and doubles, reaching the doubles quarterfinals at the 2012 junior US Open and French Open.



Pete Staples/USTA

*Thai-Son Kwiatkowski graduated in May from the University of Virginia, where he won the 2017 NCAA singles title.*

**Alex Rybakov, 20, Coral Springs, Fla.**

- Recently completed his sophomore year at TCU.
- Earned All-America honors this season and finished the year ranked No. 19 in the ITA singles rankings. Held a 23-match winning streak this season.
- In spring 2016, completed his freshman year at TCU by being named the 2016 ITA National Men's Rookie of the Year and the Big 12 Freshman of the Year. Scored 20 singles wins in his debut season and helped TCU win the Big 12 tournament title for the first time in program history.
- Holds one ITF Pro Circuit doubles title, won in Italy in September 2016.
- Climbed to No. 14 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in January 2015 and reached the singles quarterfinals at the junior US Open that year.
- Also competed in the 2015 junior French Open, winning his first-round match.
- In August 2014, represented the U.S. in the Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing, China, along with 2015 US Open girls' singles finalist Sofia Kenin.



Steven Ryan/USTA

*Incoming TCU junior Alex Rybakov ranked as high as No. 14 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in January 2015 and reached the singles quarterfinals at the 2015 junior US Open.*

## Adam El Mihdawy, 27, Long Island City, N.Y.

- Is the top-ranked American in Buffalo, ranked No. 350 in the world.
- Has competed extensively all over the world, winning 12 ITF Pro Circuit and USTA Pro Circuit events in the U.S., Mexico, Egypt, Turkey and Bolivia. Won four singles titles in 2016.
- Also holds 11 doubles titles worldwide from 2009-13.
- This May, reached the quarterfinals of an ITF Pro Circuit event in Mexico.
- Grandfather played and coached pro soccer in Egypt.

## Dennis Nevolo, 27, Gurnee, Ill.

- Graduated from the University of Illinois in 2012, receiving two All-America honors.
- Was the second player in Illini program history to earn All-Big Ten honors all four seasons.
- Holds two USTA Pro Circuit singles titles, both won in 2014, as well as four USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles.

## Alexios Halebian, 23

- Former top junior and four-time doubles champion on the USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit, most recently winning the doubles title in Claremont, Calif., in 2016.
- Reached the singles quarterfinals at the 2011 junior US Open and climbed as high as No. 24 in the ITF World Junior Rankings.
- Also reached the singles final and won the doubles title at the 2012 Easter Bowl, a prestigious junior event.

## Winston Lin, 24, Williamsville, N.Y.

- Graduated from Columbia University in 2015, having played at the No. 1 singles and doubles positions his senior year.
- Earned All-America honors his junior year and was the 2014 Ivy League Player of the Year.
- Spent most of 2016 competing overseas in ITF Pro Circuit events in Greece, Croatia, Bulgaria, Finland and Canada.

## Nathan Pasha, 24, Atlanta

- Graduated from the University of Georgia in 2015, where his final collegiate ranking was No. 37 in the country.

- Was named First Team All-SEC his senior year.
- Amassed more than 120 singles wins and more than 100 doubles wins in his career at Georgia.
- Won the doubles title at the 2010 USTA Boys' 18s National Championships to earn a wild card into that year's US Open men's doubles draw.
- Holds five USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles, including two titles this year in Indonesia and Australia.

## Raleigh Smith, 25, Miami

- Graduated in 2014 from Northwestern.
- Was selected First-Team All-Big Ten his junior and senior years.
- Graduated with 130 singles and doubles wins.
- Holds three ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles in Turkey, Israel and the Dominican Republic.

## Hunter Callahan, 24, Lower Gwynedd, Pa.

- The former standout for Ohio State was a 2012 and 2013 Scholar-Athlete.
- This year, won his first ITF Pro Circuit doubles title in Greece; also reached the doubles semifinals or better at five additional events in the United States and all over the world.

## Cameron Silverman, 25, Mount Kisco, N.Y.

- Graduated in 2014 from Elon; played in the No. 1 position there.
- Holds eight USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles throughout the world.
- In addition to competing on the USTA Pro Circuit this year, also played in Greece, Israel and Bahrain.

## John McNally, 18, Cincinnati

- The standout junior player peaked at No. 16 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in October 2016.
- Competed in the junior US Open, French Open and Wimbledon in 2016 and reached the doubles quarterfinals at last year's French Open.
- Reached the final of the Easter Bowl, a prestigious junior event, in 2016.
- Committed to play at Ohio State next season.

\*Player field subject to change

## BUFFALO PAST WINNERS

Singles			Doubles	
Year	Winner	Runner-Up	Year	Winner
2016	Evan King (USA)	Gavin Van Peperzeel (AUS)	2016	Hans Hach (MEX) – Kaichi Uchida (JPN)
2015	Kaichi Uchida (JPN)	Maximiliano Estevez (ARG)	2015	Sekou Bangoura (USA) – Nathan Pasha (USA)
2014	Ashley Hewitt (GBR)	Henrique Cunha (BRA)	2014	Jean-Yves Aubone (USA) – Connor Smith (USA)
2007-13	Event not held		2007-13	Event not held
2006	Victor Estrella (DOM)	Marcus Fugate (USA)	2006	Jonathan Chu (USA) – Alex Clayton (USA)
2005	Alexander Simoni (BRA)	Robert Steckley (CAN)	2005	Treat Huey (PHI) – Izak Van Der Merwe (RSA)
2004	Michael Russell (USA)	Jorge Aguilar (CHI)	2004	Goran Dragicevic (USA) – Mirko Pehar (USA)
2003	Dimitri Sitak (RUS)	Nenad Toroman (USA)	2003	Gary Lugassy (FRA) – Michael Quintero (COL)
2002	Ignacio Gonzalez-King (ARG)	Oskar Johansson (SWE)	2002	Francisco Rodriguez (PAR) – Nenad Toroman (USA)