

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC STOCKTON CHALLENGER STOCKTON, CA • JULY 16-23



TOURNAMENT INFO

Site: Eve Zimmerman Tennis Center at the University of the Pacific – Stockton, Calif.

Websites: www.stocktonchallenger.com
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Qualifying Draw Begins: Sunday, July 16

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, July 18

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Hard / 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 of 16	\$911	8
Round of 32	\$533	1

DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)
Winner	\$3,344
Runner-up	\$1,672
Semifinalist	\$836
Quarterfinalist	\$456
Round of 16	\$304

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday, July 19 – Kids' Day

Saturday, July 22 – Wheelchair Tennis Exhibition

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S TENNIS RETURNS TO STOCKTON, KICKS OFF WOMEN'S US OPEN WILD CARD CHALLENGE

The **University of the Pacific Stockton Challenger** returns to Stockton for the third consecutive year. It is one of four USTA Pro Circuit women's events taking place in California in 2017. Prize money at the event has increased to \$60,000 this year, up from \$50,000 offered in 2016.

Stockton is kicking off the **US Open Wild Card Challenge**, which will award a men's and women's wild card into the 2017 US Open by utilizing hard-court pro tournaments this summer. The women's challenge concludes the week of July 31. In the women's wild card challenge, USTA Player Development considers American players' results in select \$60,000 outdoor USTA Pro Circuit hard-court events (including Stockton), as well as qualifying and main-draw results from the WTA tournaments in Stanford and Washington, D.C.

The American man and American woman who earn the most ATP World Tour and WTA ranking points during the challenge will earn main-draw wild cards into the US Open. The women's challenge will include the best two results during the three-week time period. Only Americans who did not otherwise earn direct entry into the US Open are eligible. In the event of a tie, the player with the best ATP (on Aug. 14) or best WTA (on Aug. 7) singles ranking will be awarded the wild card.

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



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Nicole Gibbs won consecutive NCAA singles titles in 2012 and 2013 for Stanford University and reached the third round of the 2014 US Open and the 2017 Australian Open.

Notable players competing in Stockton include:

Nicole Gibbs, 24, Santa Monica, Calif.

- Advanced to the third round of the 2017 Australian Open, her first third-round appearance in a Grand Slam tournament since the 2014 US Open, when she won the USTA Pro Circuit's US Open Wild Card Challenge.
- Won her fifth USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit singles title this June at the \$25,000 event in Baton Rouge, La., and then reached the final of the \$25,000 event in Auburn, Ala., a week later.
- In 2016, advanced to the fourth round in Indian Wells and reached the quarterfinals in Monterrey, Mexico. Also advanced to the second round of the US Open for the second straight year.
- In 2015, advanced to the second round



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Amanda Anisimova, 15, made her Grand Slam main-draw debut at this year's French Open after winning the Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge, becoming the youngest player to compete in the main draw at Roland Garros since 2005.

of the Australian Open—her first Grand Slam main-draw appearance outside the US Open.

- Holds three USTA Pro Circuit doubles titles.
- Won consecutive NCAA singles titles in 2012 and 2013 for Stanford University, becoming the fifth player in history—and the fourth from Stanford—to win back-to-back NCAA Division I women's singles championships.
- Helped lead the Cardinal to their 17th NCAA team title in 2013.

Amanda Anisimova, 15, Hallandale Beach, Fla.

- Made her Grand Slam main-draw debut at this year's French Open after winning the Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge. Won the challenge by reaching back-to-back singles finals at the \$80,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., and the \$60,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Dothan, Ala. Indian Harbour Beach and Dothan were her first career main draw USTA Pro Circuit events.
- Was the youngest player to compete in the main draw at Roland Garros since Alize Cornet in 2005. Was also the first player born in 2001 to compete in a Grand Slam main draw.
- Competed in her first WTA main draw at the Miami Open this March, losing to Taylor Townsend in three sets in the opening round.
- Competed in 2016 US Open qualifying in her only previous Grand Slam appearance.
- Is currently the No. 8-ranked junior in the world. Peaked at No. 2 in June 2016 after reaching the French Open girls' final.

Sofia Kenin, 18, Pembroke Pines, Fla.

- Has reached the singles semifinals or better at four USTA Pro Circuit events so far in 2017.
- 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.
- 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.
- Improved from No. 620 at the end of 2015 to No. 212 at the end of 2016.
- 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, reached the singles final at the 2015 junior US Open, 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 competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China.
- Also goes by Sonya.

Francesca Di Lorenzo, 19, New Albany, Ohio

- Rising junior at Ohio State won the 2017 NCAA doubles title with Miho Kowase—the first NCAA women's tennis title in Buckeyes' history.
- Was the top-ranked college player in the country all spring, holding a 37-2 record this past season in singles. The 37 wins tied the program record for single-season victories.
- Earned All-America honors in singles and doubles last season, making her the first two-time singles All-American in Ohio State women's tennis history.

- Holds two USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles, as well as one doubles title won in 2016 in Canada.
- Reached back-to-back singles finals in June 2017 at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit events in Sumter, S.C., and Baton Rouge, La.
- Ranked as high as No. 11 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in 2015.
- Advanced to the singles and doubles semifinals of the 2015 junior US Open.

Danielle Collins, 23, St. Petersburg, Fla.

- Currently ranked a career-high No. 164 in the world after winning her third USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$25,000 event in Bethany Beach, Del., in June and reaching the final of two tournaments in May. Also competed in Wimbledon qualifying for the first time.
- Graduated from the University of Virginia in 2016 as a two-time NCAA singles champion, winning titles in 2014 and 2016. In doing so, 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 three USTA Pro Circuit singles titles (\$10,000 Williamsburg, Va., in 2011; \$25,000 Stillwater, Okla., in 2016; Bethany Beach in 2017).
- Has trained at Nick Bollettieri's IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla.

Kristie Ahn, 25, Upper Saddle River, N.J.

- Is the top seed in Stockton.
- Peaked at a career-high No. 116 in the world this June after reaching the quarterfinals of the WTA grass-court event in Nottingham as a qualifier. Also qualified for the WTA event in Monterrey, Mexico, in April and won her first-round match—her first WTA win.
- Also in 2017, won the \$60,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Dothan, Ala., and then reached the final of a \$60,000 ITF Pro Circuit event in France. Also reached the final round of Wimbledon qualifying.
- Has won six USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit singles titles overall.
- Qualified for the 2008 US Open, where she lost to former world No. 1 Dinara Safina in the first round.
- Graduated from Stanford in 2014 as a four-time All-American. Went 97-17 in four seasons with the Cardinal and was named the 2014 ITA National Senior Player of the Year.
- Trains at the new USTA National Campus in Orlando, Fla.

Jamie Loeb, 22, Ossining, N.Y. (2015 Stockton doubles champion)

- Completed her sophomore year at the University of North Carolina in 2015, winning the NCAA Division I singles title to become the first singles national champion in North Carolina women's tennis history. Turned pro shortly thereafter.
- Was also the top-ranked college tennis player for most of her freshman year (2013-14).
- As a freshman, named the 2014 Intercollegiate Tennis Association Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year, as well as the 2014 ACC Women's Tennis Player of the Year, making her the third UNC player ever to earn that distinction.

- In 2014, won the inaugural American Collegiate Invitational at the US Open.
- Received a wild card into the 2015 US Open, where she lost to reigning finalist Caroline Wozniacki in the first round.
- Holds seven USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles and six doubles titles. Won a \$60,000 ITF Pro Circuit singles title in Australia and reached the semifinals of the \$60,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Charlottesville, Va., in 2017.

Grace Min, 23, Atlanta/Orlando, Fla.

- Was out of competition the first three months of the year. Competed in Wimbledon and French Open qualifying this year.
- Had a strong spring 2016 on the USTA Pro Circuit, winning her seventh and eighth singles titles at \$25,000 events in Jackson, Miss., and Pelham, Ala., respectively. Also reached two additional finals.
- Peaked at a career-high No. 97 in the world in March 2015 after reaching the second round of the WTA's Rio Open and competing in Indian Wells.
- In 2014, reached the semifinals of the WTA event in Bad Gastein, Austria—her first-ever WTA semifinal—and competed in the US Open and French Open main draws and qualifying at Roland Garros.
- Was one of the top juniors in the world in 2011, when she won the US Open girls' singles title and the Wimbledon girls' doubles title, propelling her to No. 4 in the world junior rankings.

Irina Falconi, 27, Orlando, Fla.

- Competed in Wimbledon and French Open qualifying this year.
- Won her first career WTA singles title in 2016 in Bogota, Colombia.
- Reached the second round at the Australian Open and the French Open and advanced to the semifinals at the \$100,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Midland, Mich., in 2016. Also advanced to the second round of the 2017 Australian Open.
- In 2015, climbed back into the Top 100 by reaching the third round of the French Open and the quarterfinals in Bogota. Also reached the second round of the 2015 Australian Open as a wild card by winning the USTA Pro Circuit Australian Open Wild Card Challenge, as well as the second round of the 2015 US Open.
- Reached the third round of the 2011 US Open, where she upset No. 14 Dominika Cibulkova in the second round in Arthur Ashe Stadium and carried an American flag around the court following the win.
- Represented the U.S. in the 2011 Pan Am Games, where she won the gold medal in singles and the silver medal in doubles (with Christina McHale).
- Holds five USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles and three doubles titles.
- In two seasons at Georgia Tech, was a two-time All-American and ranks first in school history in all-time winning percentage (.824; 70-15).
- Born in Ecuador and moved to New York at age 3, learning to play on public courts in Manhattan.
- Trains at the new USTA National Campus in Orlando, Fla.

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, as well as three additional USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit singles semifinals.
- 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.

Jennifer Elie, 30, New York City

- Has been a consistent player on the USTA Pro Circuit and in ITF Circuit events, winning two ITF Circuit singles titles in 2012 and five USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Circuit doubles titles.
- Has a career win over Sloane Stephens, at the \$50,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Lexington, Ky., in 2011, and has ranked in the Top 250 in both singles and doubles.
- This June, reached the quarterfinals of two ITF Pro Circuit events in Italy and Spain.
- Won the 2015 US Open National Playoffs to earn a wild card into the US Open Qualifying Tournament.

Caroline Dolehide, 18, Hinsdale, Ill.

- 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 her second career singles title this year at the \$25,000 event in Surprise, Ariz., as well as her 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.

Robin Anderson, 24, Matawan, N.J.

- Graduated from UCLA in 2015 after earning All-America honors in both singles and doubles for four consecutive years, becoming the seventh player in school history to accomplish the feat.
- Named the ITA National Collegiate Player of the Year for 2014-15.
- Was part of UCLA's NCAA-title winning team in 2014. Also 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 girls' singles quarterfinals at the 2010 US Open.

Kimiko Date, 46, Japan

- Utilizing a protected ranking to compete in Stockton.
- Peaked at No. 4 in the world in singles in 1995 and No. 28 in doubles in January 2015.
- Reached the singles semifinals at the 1994 Australian Open, 1995 French Open and 1996 Wimbledon. Also a two-time quarterfinalist at the US Open (1993, 1994).
- In women's doubles, reached the semifinals at the 2014 US Open.
- Won eight WTA singles titles and six doubles titles.
- Competed in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics and represented Japan in Fed Cup for 10 years.

Notable players competing in qualifying include:

Brienne Minor, 19, Mundelein, Ill.

- Rising junior at Michigan.
- Won the 2017 NCAA singles title, the first in the program and first in Big Ten women's tennis history.
- By winning the NCAA singles title, became the first African American woman to win an NCAA Division I tennis singles title.
- Earned All-America honors her freshman and sophomore years.

Victoria Duval, 21, Bradenton, Fla.

- Has played in a handful of tournaments this year. In her first tournament since 2016 Wimbledon, she reached the semifinals at the \$80,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., in April. Also reached the semifinals of the \$25,000 event in Baton Rouge, La., this June.
- Played in her first tournament in August 2015 after a year away from the game after battling Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Has made a full recovery.
- Peaked at No. 87 in the world in August 2014 after qualifying for and reaching the second round at Wimbledon, just before her diagnosis.
- Made international headlines at the 2013 US Open, where she qualified for the main draw and upset 2011 champion Samantha Stosur in the first round.
- In 2012, won the USTA Girls' 18s national title to earn a wild card into the US Open women's draw, where she played Kim Clijsters in the first round before Clijsters' retirement.
- Peaked at No. 18 in the world in the ITF World Junior Rankings

in September 2011 after reaching the quarterfinals of the junior US Open and junior Wimbledon. Also reached the semifinals of the 2012 junior US Open.

- Grew up Haiti until she was 8. When she was 7, was held hostage in an armed robbery in her aunt's house in Port-au-Prince, along with several cousins, before being freed unharmed. Following that, Vicky's mother, Nadine, gave up her neonatal practice and moved Vicky and her two brothers to South Florida, leaving behind Vicky's father, Jean-Maurice, to continue his gynecology and obstetrics practice in Port-au-Prince.
- In 2010, Duval's father was injured during the earthquake in Haiti; he was pinned by collapsing walls outside his house. He dug himself out but had several devastating injuries. An Atlanta family connected with the Racquet Club of the South donated a large amount of money to airlift Jean-Maurice to a hospital in Fort Lauderdale for treatment.

Kaitlyn Christian, 25, Orange, Calif.

- Graduated from USC in 2014.
- In 2013, finished her junior season ranked No. 1 in the ITA doubles rankings with teammate Sabrina Santamaria following the duo's run to the 2013 NCAA doubles championship, becoming USC's first-ever NCAA doubles winners.
- Earned doubles All-American honors.
- Played in the 2015 US Open women's doubles draw with Santamaria, as well as the 2013 US Open mixed doubles draw with Dennis Novikov, where they lost in the first round to eventual champions Andrea Hlavackova and Max Mirnyi.
- Won the doubles title at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit women's event in Sumter, S.C., this summer. Holds seven USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles overall.

Sophie Chang, 20, Havre de Grace, Md.

- Won the 2016 US Open National Playoffs – Women's Singles Championship to earn a wild card into the US Open Qualifying Tournament in her US Open debut.
- Holds five USTA Pro Circuit doubles titles, including the \$25,000 event held at the USTA National Campus in Orlando this year, and advanced to the doubles semifinals or better at seven additional USTA Pro Circuit events this year.
- Committed to play at the University of Virginia before turning pro.
- Her great-grandfather, Joseph Carpenter, won the mixed doubles title at the 1910 U.S. National Championships.

**Player field subject to change*

STOCKTON PAST WINNERS

Singles			Doubles	
Year	Winner	Runner-Up	Year	Winner
2016	Alison Van Uytvanck (BEL)	Anastasia Pivovarova (RUS)	2016	Alison Van Uytvanck (BEL) – Kristyna Pliskova (CZE)
2015	Nao Hibino (JPN)	An-Sophie Mestach (BEL)	2015	Jamie Loeb (USA) – Sanaz Marand (USA)