

RED ROCK PRO OPEN LAS VEGAS, NV • NOV. 4-11



TOURNAMENT INFO

Site: Red Rock Country Club – Las Vegas, Nev.

Website: <https://redrockproopen.com>
www.procircuit.usta.com

Facebook: Facebook.com/RedRockProOpen

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Qualifying Draw Begins: Sunday, Nov. 4

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, Nov. 6

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Hard / Outdoor

Prize Money: \$80,000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$12,161	115
Runner-up	\$6,487	70
Semifinalist	\$3,548	42
Quarterfinalist	\$2,027	21
Round of 16	\$1,216	10
Round of 32	\$709	1

DOUBLES: Prize Money (per team)

Winner	\$4,460
Runner-up	\$2,230
Semifinalist	\$1,115
Quarterfinalist	\$608
Round of 16	\$405

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sun., Nov. 4

Sunrise Children's Hospital Kids' Day (2-4 p.m.)

Tues., Nov. 6 – Pro-Am (6-8 p.m.)

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S TENNIS RETURNS TO LAS VEGAS, RED ROCK PRO OPEN CONTINUES AUSTRALIAN OPEN WILD CARD CHALLENGE

The **Red Rock Pro Open** returns to Las Vegas for the 12th consecutive year. The tournament also continues the women's side of the USTA's Australian Open Wild Card Challenge, which kicked off in Macon, Ga., last week.

Las Vegas is the third of four consecutive women's hard-court tournaments that make up the women's side of the Challenge, which will award an American woman a main draw wild card into the 2019 Australian Open. The USTA and Tennis Australia have a reciprocal agreement in which wild cards into the 2019 US Open and Australian Opens are exchanged. The Challenge also included an \$80,000 events in Macon, Ga., and Tyler, Texas, each of the last two weeks, as well as the WTA \$125,000 Series event in Houston (week of Nov. 12).

In addition to the four women's tournaments, the Australian Open Wild Card Challenge also includes numerous men's USTA Pro Circuit tournaments and U.S. and international ATP World Tour events at the ATP Challenger-level and above played on a hard-court surface this fall. The men's challenge concludes the week of Nov. 12.

The women's wild card will be awarded to the American with the highest cumulative total of WTA singles ranking points earned from their best three results during those four weeks. Only Americans who do not earn direct entry into the Australian Open are eligible. In the event of a tie, the player with the best ATP or best WTA singles ranking on Nov. 19 will be awarded the wild card.

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Madison Brengle won her 12th career USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$60,000 event in Landisville, Pa., before the US Open

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

Notable players competing in Tyler include:

Belinda Bencic, 21, Switzerland

- Career-high world No. 7 (2016); Owner of two WTA titles (Eastbourne, Toronto in 2017) and four additional final appearances.
- Reached the fourth round at Wimbledon this summer, then reached the quarterfinals in New Haven.
- Worked way back on tour after wrist surgery in 2017.
- 2014 US Open singles quarterfinalist.
- Former world junior champion and world junior No. 1.

Madison Brengle, 28, Dover, Del.

- In 2018: Made the US Open main draw as a 'lucky loser,' and fell to fellow American Sofia Kenin in the first round in a third-set tiebreak; Also competed in the Australian Open main draw and won her 11th and 12th career USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$100,000 event in Midland, Mich., in February, and the \$60,000

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Nicole Gibbs was one of the most decorated collegiate tennis players ever at Stanford, winning back-to-back NCAA singles titles in 2012-13.

event in Landisville, Pa., in August. Also reached the finals of the \$80,000 event in Charleston, S.C., and won her first-round match at Wimbledon.

- Advanced to the third round of Wimbledon in 2017 and the quarterfinals at the WTA event in Auckland, defeating Serena Williams in the second round.
- In 2016, advanced to the third round of the Australian Open, falling to eventual champion Angelique Kerber, and reached the semifinals of the WTA event in s'Hertogenbosch, Netherlands, and the quarterfinals in Dubai.
- Reached her first-ever WTA final in Hobart in 2015 and then advanced to the fourth round of the 2015 Australian Open—her career-best Grand Slam result—upsetting Top 10 player Andrea Petkovic in the first round. Rose to a career-high No. 35 that year.
- 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.

Heather Watson, 26, Great Britain

- Former world No. 38 (January 2015)
- Owns three WTA singles titles – Monterrey (2016); Hobart (2015); Osaka (2012) – and four WTA doubles titles.
- 2016 Wimbledon mixed doubles champion and two-time British Olympian.

Nicole Gibbs, 25, Santa Monica, Calif.

- Reached a career-high No. 68 world ranking in July 2016.
- Reached the singles final and won the doubles title at the \$60,000 USTA Pro circuit event in Berkeley, Calif., this summer.
- Qualified for the 2018 US Open; Recently competed in several WTA tournaments in Asia.
- One of the most decorated college tennis players in history at Stanford University: Won consecutive NCAA singles titles in 2012-13, becoming the fifth player in history—and the fourth from Stanford—to win back-to-back NCAA Division I women's singles championships; Also helped lead the Cardinal to their 17th NCAA team title in 2013.
- Won her sixth USTA Pro Circuit title and first of 2018 at the \$25,000 clay-court event in Naples, Fla., in May.
- Has advanced to the third round of both the US Open, in 2014 after winning the Pro Circuit's Wild Card Challenge that year, and the Australian Open, in 2017.
- In October 2017, reached the quarterfinals of the WTA event in Hong Kong.
- In 2016, advanced to the fourth round in Indian Wells and reached the quarterfinals in Monterrey, Mexico.
- Holds six career USTA/ITF Pro Circuit singles titles and four doubles titles.

Sofya Zhuk, 18, Russia

- Former Wimbledon junior champion (2015) and world junior No. 4. Beatriz Haddad-Maia, 22 Brazil
- Former world No. 58 who reached her first WTA singles final in Seoul in 2017 (l. to that year's French Open champion Jelena Ostapenko)

Kristie Ahn, 26, Upper Saddle River, N.J./Orlando, Fla.

- 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.
- Competed as a wild card at this year's Australian Open after winning the USTA Pro Circuit Australian Open Wild Card Challenge – was her first appearance in a Grand Slam main draw since the 2008 US Open.
- Qualified for the 2018 WTA Australian Open tune-up event in Sydney and beat Samantha Stosur in the first round of Charleston this year.
- Has won seven USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles overall, as well as two doubles titles.
- Reached the final at the \$60,000 event in Landisville, Pa., this year, losing to Brengle.
- Qualified for the 2008 US Open, where she lost to former world No. 1 Dinara Safina in the first round.
- Has trained at the USTA National Campus in Orlando, Fla.

Christina McHale, 26, Englewood Cliffs, N.J.

- Reached a career-high No. 24 world ranking in August 2012, her second of five straight Top 100 seasons.
- Won first WTA singles title in Tokyo in 2016; Also won two WTA doubles titles in 2016.
- Has represented the U.S. in Fed Cup and the 2012 London Olympics.
- Speaks English, Spanish and basic Mandarin.
- Sister-in-law of player Ryan Harrison.

Kurumi Nara, 26, Japan

- Former world No. 32 (August 2014) with one WTA singles title (Rio de Janeiro, 2014) and one finalist appearance the same year, in Washington, D.C.
- Former Japanese Fed Cup team member

Varvara Lepchenko, 32, Allentown, Pa.

- Career-high world No. 19 (2012)
- Had the lead in the Australian Open Wild Card Challenge after Week 1, winning the \$80,000 event in Macon, Ga., over Veronica Cepede-Royg, Lepchenko's first pro title since 2011.
- Reached the fourth rounds of both the US Open (2015) and French Open (2012).
- Owner of 12 pro circuit singles titles, the last coming in 2011 in Kansas City.
- Reached one WTA final, in Seoul in 2014.
- 2012 London Olympian for the U.S., Represented the U.S. Fed Cup Team in 2013.
- Born in Uzbekistan, has lived in the U.S. since 2001 and switched nationalities in 2007.

Allie Kiick, 23, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

- Won her first singles title in three years this summer at a \$25,000 event in Bastad, Sweden, then went on to qualify and reach the quarterfinals at the Citi Open in Washington, D.C.
- Competed in doubles at the 2018 US Open.

- Made Grand Slam debut at the 2017 US Open after winning three matches to qualify for the main draw. Also reached the quarterfinals or better at three USTA Pro Circuit events last summer.
- Was out of competition from July 2015 through June 2017 due to four knee surgeries and being diagnosed with a rare form of skin cancer.
- Won her first \$50,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in 2015 in Charlottesville, Va. Also holds three additional USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles, as well as an ITF doubles titles she won in Canada in 2013.
- Peaked at No. 136 in the world in 2014.
- This year, reached the final of the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Pelham, Ala.
- As a junior player, was a singles finalist at the 2013 USTA Girls' 18s National Championships. Also, won the Girls' 18s doubles title with Sachia Vickery, allowing her to make her Grand Slam main-draw debut in the 2013 US Open women's doubles event.
- Is the daughter of Jim Kiick, a running back on the undefeated 1972 Miami Dolphins. Mother, Mary Johnson, is a former professional softball player.

Asia Muhammad, 27, Las Vegas

- Current Top 100 doubles player; Won her third WTA doubles title at the WTA International indoor event in Quebec the week after the US Open. The others: s'Hertogenbosch 2015; Guangzhou 2016; Reached the doubles quarterfinals of the 2016 US Open; 29 career USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles.
- Won the singles title at the \$60,000 event in Lexington, Ky., this summer to help her win the 2018 US Open Wild Card Challenge and earn a singles main draw wild card into the US Open; lost in the first round.
- Broke into the singles Top 125 in 2017 after winning her fourth USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit singles title at a \$60,000 event in Australia and also qualifying for the WTA event in Charleston, S.C. Also qualified for the WTA grass-court event in s'Hertogenbosch, Netherlands, in June.
- Only Grand Slam main draw singles appearance came in 2008 when she earned a wild card into the US Open.
- Learned to play tennis at the Andre Agassi Boys and Girls Club in Las Vegas.

Danielle Lao, 26, Arcadia, Calif.

- Qualified for the main draw of the 2018 US Open, then played in WTA tournaments in Tokyo and Hiroshima as part of the tour's Asian swing.
- Graduated from USC in 2013 after twice earning All-America honors in her college career. Led the Trojans to back-to-back Pac-12 team championships and was a team captain her senior year.
- In 2017, made Grand Slam debut after qualifying for the US Open, and shortly thereafter reached a career-high ranking of No. 193. Also reached singles finals at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Surprise, Ariz., and an ITF Pro Circuit event in Korea that year.
- Won her first pro singles titles in 2015 – at the ITF event in Leon, Mexico, and at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Baton Rouge, La.
- Won the 2016 US Open National Playoffs – Women's Doubles Championship with Jacqueline Cako to earn a wild card into the US Open doubles draw.
- Holds three USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Circuit doubles titles.

- After college, wrote a book, "Invaluable Experience," about playing college tennis.

Marie Bouzkova, 20, Czech Republic

- 2014 US Open junior champion

Sesil Karatantcheva, 29, Bulgaria

- Defending Las Vegas women's singles champion
- Reached the quarterfinals of the 2005 French Open, as a 15-year old; Peaked at No. 35 in the world that fall, at 16.

Grace Min, 24, Atlanta/Orlando, Fla.

- Won her 10th USTA Pro Circuit singles title, and first of 2018, at the \$25,000 women's event in Bethany Beach, Del. Also reached the final at the \$25,000 event in Daytona Beach, Fla., the first tournament of the 2018 season.
- Qualified for the French Open this year and lost in the first round; Lost in qualifying for Wimbledon 2018.
- 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.
- Trains at the USTA National Campus in Orlando, Fla.

Lauren Davis, 25, Cleveland, Ohio

- Advanced to the third round of the Australian Open this year, ending with an epic third-round loss to Simona Halep, 4-6, 6-4, 15-13, in a match that lasted for three hours and 45 minutes, tying the match between Chanda Rubin and Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario in 1996 for the most games at the Australian Open.
- In 2017, peaked at No. 26 in the world in May after reaching her third quarterfinal of the year at the WTA event in Rabat, Morocco. Also reached the quarterfinals in Qatar and Dubai in February and reached the fourth round in Indian Wells.
- Won first career WTA singles title in 2017 in Auckland, New Zealand, upsetting four seeds en route.
- In 2016, advanced to two WTA finals (Washington D.C. and Quebec City).
- Advanced to the third round of the 2016 Australian Open, losing to Maria Sharapova in three sets, as well as in 2014. Also reached the third round of Wimbledon in 2014.
- In 2014, made Fed Cup debut against Italy in the World Group Quarterfinals in Cleveland, where Davis grew up. Also competed for the U.S. Fed Cup team in the 2015 World Group Playoff tie in Italy and in 2017 in the semifinal in Tampa Bay, Fla. With her Fed Cup participation last year, she is a part of the 2017 championship-winning team and received a Fed Cup trophy.
- Coach: Mark Schanerman

Kayla Day, 19, Santa Barbara, Calif.

- Peaked at a career-high No. 122 in the world in June 2017 after reaching the semifinals of the \$100,000 ITF Pro Circuit event in Marseille, the quarterfinals of the \$60,000 USTA Pro Circuit event

in Charleston, S.C., and the semifinals of the \$25,000 event in Naples, Fla.

- In summer 2017, competed in the US Open as a wild card and won a match at the US Open Series event in Stanford, Calif., where she also reached the doubles semifinals.
- Also in 2017, advanced to the third round of Indian Wells and reached the singles final and won the doubles title at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
- Competed in the Australian Open for the first time in 2017 after winning the USTA Pro Circuit Australian Open Wild Card Challenge in fall 2016.
- 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.
- 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 final.

Gail Brodsky, 27, Brooklyn, N.Y.

- 2008 USTA Girls' 18s National Champion – defeated Sloane Stephens and CoCo Vandeweghe en route to title to earn wild card into US Open that year
- Was ranked as high as No. 182 before taking a years-long break from competition in 2012.
- Returned to competitive play this year and came one win from clinching a main draw wild card into the US Open via the USTA Pro Circuit's US Open Wild Card Challenge; Won her first career \$60,000 singles title, in Ashland, Ky.; Received a wild card into US Open Qualifying, where she lost in the second round.
- Mother of two boys.

Ann Li, 18, Devon, Pa.

- Ranked as high as No. 12 in the world in the junior rankings in January 2018.
- Reached the singles final at junior Wimbledon in 2017 in the second-ever all-American girls' final at the All England Club, dating back to 1947.
- Won the first USTA Pro Circuit singles title of her career last year at the \$15,000 event in Evansville, Ind.
- This year, qualified for the \$100,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Midland, Mich., and reached the semifinals of the \$25,000 event in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., as a qualifier.
- Competed in US Open qualifying in 2017 as a wild card.

Sophie Chang, 21, Havre de Grace, Md.

- Captured first career USTA Pro Circuit singles title this March at the \$15,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Orlando, held at the USTA National Campus.
- Holds seven USTA Pro Circuit doubles titles, including the \$80,000 event in Charlottesville, Va., this year.
- 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.
- 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.

Louisa Chirico, 22, Orlando, Fla.

- In 2017, won a match in Indian Wells and competed in the French Open main draw. Also reached the final of an ITF Pro Circuit event in Mexico in September.
- Qualified for the 2016 French Open and won her first-round match over American Lauren Davis for her first Grand Slam win before falling to Venus Williams in the second round. Also in 2016, reached first WTA semifinal in Madrid and advanced to the third round in Miami.
- Peaked at a career-high No. 58 in the world in October 2016.
- Made Grand Slam singles main-draw debut at the 2015 French Open after winning the Har-Tru USTA Pro Circuit Wild Card Challenge.
- In July 2015, represented the U.S. in the Pan American Games in Toronto.
- Holds three USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit singles titles and two doubles titles.

Maria Mateas, 19, Braintree, Mass.

- Recently won her first USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$25,000 event in Fort Worth, Texas; Reached the singles final at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Baton Rouge, La., in June.
- Beginning freshman season at Duke; Ranked the No. 1 Freshman in the country by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.
- Born in Romania.
- Ranked as high as No. 26 in the ITF World Junior Rankings, reaching the quarterfinals of the Easter Bowl, a prestigious junior event, in 2016.

Ellie Halbauer, 21, Charleston, S.C.

- Won three pro singles titles in 2018, all at clay-court events in Turkey and Tunisia.
- Reached the singles final at the \$25,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Charleston two weeks ago.
- Grew up on Daniel Island and moved to Florida as a teenager to train.

VEGAS PAST WINNERS

Singles

Year	Winner	Runner-Up
2017	Sesil Karatantcheva (BUL)	Elitsa Kostova (USA)
2016	Alison Van Uytvanck (BEL)	Sofia Kenin (USA)
2015	Michaella Krajicek (NED)	Shelby Rogers (USA)
2014	Madison Brengle (USA)	Michelle Larcher De Brito (POR)
2013	Melanie Oudin (USA)	CoCo Vandeweghe (USA)
2012	Lauren Davis (USA)	Shelby Rogers (USA)
2011	Romina Oprandi (ITA)	Alexa Glatch (USA)
2010	Varvara Lepchenko (USA)	Sorana Cirstea (ROU)
2009	Regina Kulikova (RUS)	Aniko Kapros (HUN)
2008	Camille Pin (FRA)	Asia Muhammad (USA)
2007	Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	Akiko Morigami (JPN)

Doubles

Year	Winner
2017	An-Sophie Mestach (BEL) – Laura Robson (GBR)
2016	Michaela Krajicek (NED) – Maria Sanchez (USA)
2015	Julia Boserup (USA) – Nicole Gibbs (USA)
2014	Veronica Cepede Royg (PAR) – Maria Irigoyen (ARG)
2013	CoCo Vandeweghe (USA) – Tamira Paszek (AUT)
2012	Anastasia Rodionova (USA) – Arina Rodionova (RUS)
2011	Alexa Glatch (USA) – Mashona Washington (USA)
2010	Lindsay Lee-Waters (USA) – Megan Moulton-Levy (USA)
2009	Aniko Kapros (HUN) – Agustina Lepore (ARG)
2008	Melinda Czink (HUN) – Renata Voracova (CZE)
2007	Victoria Azarenka (BLR) – Tatiana Poutchek (BLR)