

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

ATHLETE | COACH | REFEREE | SERVICE EXCELLENCE

Nominate someone for a Volleyball Alberta Mikasa Achievement Award

Mikasa Achievement Awards - Prepare and Collect:

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submit one cover letter (bio, approx. 400-600 words)

COLLECT

at least one letter of support for the nominee РНОТО

one headshot photo + one or more action shot photos

The cover letter should include the nominator's relationship to the nominee (coach, teammate, other; ideally, nominators are from outside the immediate family).

And any applicable details to help the selection committee know the nominee.

I wish to nominate

Nominee's name, club, team, age class, for a Volleyball Alberta Mikasa Achievement Award Athlete (15U-18U), Coach (development or performance), Referee (development or performance) or Service Excellence category.

Resumé

Volleyball history in club (current/past), high-performance program, school teams, academic achievement, certification level, awards/recognitions/All-Star, ...

Goals/Future

Post-secondary plans, future volleyball goals, ...

Attributes

Character, volleyball IQ, physical and technical ability, passions, work ethic, ...

Quotes from references and nominators

Anything that may help the selection committee in choosing this season's Volleyball Alberta Awards Recipients and to help in writing their bio for the awards presentation & program.

Timeframe for the 2025 VA Mikasa Achievement Awards:

- April 12, the nomination form will open at 9:00am. (Saturday of the first Provincials weekend)
- For the Athlete & Coach Performance Categories, we would like to receive their nominations within 3 days after their Provincials.
 - Please submit by April 16 for 15UG, 16UB, 18UG
 - Please submit by April 30 for 17UG
 - Please submit by May 5* for 15UB, 16UG, 17/18UB
- All other categories can be submitted between April 12 May 5.
- May 5, final deadline. The nomination form will close at 11:59 pm. (*Monday after the last Provincials)
- May 9-27 Nationals, For the Athlete and Coach Performance categories, additional information can be added to their nomination package (such as results, awards & recognitions from Nationals) by emailing <u>info@volleyballalberta.ca</u> up to 2 days after their Nationals.
- May 30, Announce award recipients.
- June 1, RSVP deadline.
- June 21, 2025, Awards Ceremony in Calgary.

Form URL: volleyballalberta.formstack.com/forms/mikasa_award_nomination_form









Award nominations are based on the following criteria:

Indoor Athlete:

An athlete in the 15U/16U and 17U/18U category who has shown a combination of performance, positive attitude, and leadership for his/her team both on and off the court. A total of 4 Indoor Athlete Awards will be presented:

- 1 athlete in the 15U/16U women's division
- 1 athlete in the 17U/18U women's division
- 1 athlete in the 15U/16U men's division
- 1 athlete in the 17U/18U men's division

* The 18U Mikasa Achievement Award winners will be awarded \$500.

Coach (Performance):

A coach in the 16U, 17U or 18U category who has led their team to a consistently high level of performance during the season while modelling the principles of fair play and sportsmanship. A total of 2 Coach Awards will be presented:

- 1 Coach in the 16U, 17U or 18U women's division
- 1 Coach in the 16U, 17U or 18U men's division

Coach (Development):

A coach in the 12U-18U category who demonstrates they are a great role model and leader who teaches character and life lessons in addition to volleyball skills and tactics. They go beyond expectations to ensure every athlete, and the team, reaches their full potential. A total of 2 Coach Awards will be presented:

• 2 coaches will be considered from all divisions.

Referee:

Two referees as selected by the Volleyball Alberta Referees Association criteria.

- 1 Referee (Development) Award will be presented
- 1 Referee (Performance) Award will be presented

Service Excellence:

An individual who has demonstrated exceptional dedication and service to Volleyball Alberta and/or their club throughout the season. This award recognizes those (referee, club administrator, indoor/beach coach, manager, or other contributing leader) who have gone above and beyond their expected role, making a meaningful and lasting impact on the volleyball community. Nominees should exemplify leadership, commitment, and exceptional service during the previous VA beach season (2024) or current indoor season (2025).

One Service Excellence Award will be presented

To read the full announcement, including the background on renaming the Volunteer Award to the Service Excellence Award, click here.

Beach Athlete:

Two beach athletes as selected by the Volleyball Alberta Beach Program based on performance and their commitment to beach throughout the summer. A total of 2 Beach Athlete Awards will be presented:

- 1 youth beach athlete from the women's division
- 1 youth beach athlete from the men's division





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Awards Recipients will be notified by email and invited to attend the Awards Ceremony that will be held on Saturday, June 21, 2025 in Calgary. Award recipients will be announced on May 30th.

