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2010 WAC Volleyball Postseason Award Winners Announced

LAS VEGAS – The Western Athletic Conference 2010 volleyball postseason award winners, as selected by the league’s head coaches, were announced tonight at the WAC Volleyball Tournament banquet. For the 15th-straight year, Hawai’i boasts the WAC Player of the Year, as junior outside hitter **Kanani Danielson** earned the honors for a second-straight year. Teammate **Emily Hartong** captured Freshman of the Year honors, while head coach **Dave Shoji** was named WAC Coach of the Year.

Six different schools were represented on the first team. Hawai’i, the No. 1 seed in the WAC Tournament, had five players named to the first team and one to the second team. Second-seeded New Mexico State had three players on the first team and one on the second team. Boise State, Idaho, Nevada and Utah State each had one first-team selection.

For the 15th-straight year, Hawai’i boasts the WAC Player of the Year. Danielson ranks in the Top-10 nationally in kills per set, averaging 4.47. A junior, she was named WAC Player of the Week two times this season. She is a three-time first-team all-WAC honoree.

Hartong earned Freshman of the Year honors, the eighth Rainbow Wahine player to do so. She ranked second in the conference with a .365 hitting percentage in WAC matches. She was also honored as an All-Freshman Team selection and a second-team all-WAC pick.

Shoji led his team to its 15th-consecutive WAC regular-season title and an undefeated record in WAC play. This is the eighth WAC Coach of the Year honor of his career.

2010 WAC Volleyball Postseason Award Winners

All-Conference

First Team	Team	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
Lindsay Baldwin**^^	Nevada	MB	Sr.	Hillsborough, Calif. (Nortre Dame Belmont)
Kelsey Brennan	New Mexico State	MH	Jr.	Snohomish, Wash. (Monroe)
Kanani Danielson*^	Hawai’i	OH	Jr.	Ewa Beach, O’ahu (Kamehameha Schools)
Jennah DeVries^	New Mexico State	S	Jr.	Denver, Colo. (Douglas County)
Kayleigh Giddens^	New Mexico State	OH	Sr.	Lubbock, Texas (Frank Phillips JC)
Brittany Hewitt^^	Hawai’i	MB	So.	Eagle, Idaho (Eagle)
Elizabeth Ka’aihue^^	Hawai’i	L	Sr.	Kailua, O’ahu (Punahou School)
Dani Mafua**^	Hawai’i	S	Sr.	Kapolei, O’ahu (Mid-Pacific Institute)
Liz McArthur^^	Utah State	OH	Jr.	St. George, Utah (Snow Canyon)
Chanteal Satele	Hawai’i	OH	Jr.	Mililani, O’ahu (Saint Mary’s College)
Allison Walker	Idaho	OH	Fr.	Othello, Wash. (Othello)
Alisha Young^^	Boise State	MB	Sr.	American Fork, Utah (American Fork)

Second Team

Team	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
Katie Astle	MB	Sr.	Sandy, Utah (Skyline)
Marissa Brand	OH	So.	Cypress, Calif. (Cypress)
Brianna Clarke^^	MB	Jr.	Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan)
Shantell Durrant	MB	Sr.	American Fork, Utah (Washington)
Erin Garvey	OH	Jr.	Argyle, Texas (John H. Guyer)
Kylie Harrington**^	OH	Sr.	Honolulu, Hawai’i (Saint Francis)
Emily Hartong	MB	Fr.	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
Sadie Maughan**^^	MB	Sr.	Murray, Utah (Murray)
Christine Morrill**	L	Sr.	Neola, Utah (Union)
Breann Nesselhuf^^	S	Jr.	Swink, Colo. (Washington State)
Kelsey Taylor	MB	Sr.	Moscow, Idaho (Moscow)
Whitney Woods^	OH	Sr.	Midland, Texas (Midland)

All-Freshman

Team	Pos.	Hometown (Previous School)
Grace Anxo	OH	Reno, Nev. (Bishop Manogue)
Hannah Blume	OH	Sonora, Calif. (Sonora)
Rocio Gutierrez	OH	El Paso, Texas (Franklin)
Emily Hartong	MB	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
Michelle Waber	OH	Lake Elsinore, Calif. (Elsinore)
Allison Walker	OH	Othello, Wash. (Othello)

WAC Player of the Year: Kanani Danielson, Hawai’i

WAC Freshman of the Year: Emily Hartong, Hawai’i

WAC Coach of the Year: Dave Shoji, Hawai’i

*2008 first team selection
 **2008 second team selection
 ^2009 first team selection
 ^^2009 second team selection

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