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# Player of the Year Finalists headline the 2014 Division II Coaches' All-America Team

ATLANTA (March 24, 2014) – The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced today the finalists for the 2014 WBCA Division II Player of the Year award.

They are:

- Lauren Battista, 6'0", Senior, Forward, Bentley University
- Jada Blackwell, 6'1", Junior, Forward, California State Polytechnic University – Pomona
- Sharaya Selsor, 5'9", Senior, Guard, Colorado Mesa University

The WBCA present the player of the year award annually to the top player in each of the five WBCA membership divisions (NCAA Divisions II, III, NAIA, junior/community college and high school). The winner will be announced during the fourth annual WBCA Awards Show on Monday, April 7, in the Omni Nashville Hotel's Broadway Ballroom. This event is part of the WBCA National Convention and is held in conjunction with the NCAA® Women's Final Four®.

"The WBCA congratulates these student-athletes on being named finalists for the 2014 WBCA DII Player of the Year award," said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. "These players have helped guide their teams to exceptional seasons and are seeing their hard work and dedication to the game pay off. I wish each of these women good luck at the WBCA Awards Show in Nashville."

The 10-member team was selected by a vote of the selection committee. The committee is composed of one representative from each of the eight geographical regions and a chairperson. The members of the 2014 WBCA Division II Coaches' All-America Team are as follows:

Name	Institution	Year	Pos.	Height
Lauren Battista	Bentley University	Senior	Forward	6'0"
Jada Blackwell	California State Polytechnic University – Pomona	Junior	Forward	6'1"
Courtney Finn	Bentley University	Senior	Guard	5'9"
Keuna Flax	University of Central Missouri	Senior	Forward	5'11"
Megan Fogt	Hillsdale College	Junior	Forward	6'1"
Hollie German	Lee University	Senior	Guard	5'8"

Mimi Hill	University of North Georgia	Senior	Forward	6'3"
Lizzy Jeronimus	Pittsburg State University	Junior	Forward	5'11"
Valerie Majewski	Edinboro University	Junior	Guard	5'7"
Sharaya Selsor	Colorado Mesa University	Senior	Guard	5'9"

“Congratulations to the 10 student-athletes named to the 2014 Division II Coaches’ All-America Team,” said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. “These young women added a step to their game that was above the rest and helped their team become better in all aspects.”

The following have been recognized as WBCA Division II Coaches’ All-America Team Honorable Mentions:

Name	Institution	Year	Pos.	Height
Jeanette Anderson	Caldwell College	Forward	Senior	6'1"
Katie Benson	Seattle Pacific University	Forward	Senior	6'1"
Taylor Beverly	University of Montevallo	Forward	Junior	5'10"
Carly Boag	Minot State University	Center	Senior	6'1"
Mariyah Brawner-Henley	Lewis University	Forward	Sophomore	6'0"
Shareta Brown	Wayne State University	Center	Junior	6'1"
Taylor Buie	Nova Southeastern University	Guard	Sophomore	5'4"
Kristen Celsor	Harding University	Guard	Senior	6'0"
Erin Chambers	Simon Fraser University (BC)	Guard	Junior	6'1"
Jazmine Charles	Lenoir-Rhyne University	Guard	Junior	5'10"
Sarah DeShone	Ferris State University	Guard	Senior	5'7"
Mary Louise Dixon	Stonehill College	Guard	Senior	5'5"
Dallas Ely	West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Guard	Sophomore	5'9"
Devin Griffin	West Texas A&M University	Forward	Senior	5'10"
Anna Hackert	University of Southern Indiana	Forward	Junior	6'1"
Courtney Hamilton	California State University – Chico	Guard	Senior	5'8"
Aquillin Hayes	University of New Haven	Guard	Junior	5'8"
Malika Jackson	Texas A&M International University	Forward	Senior	6'0"
Bobbi Knudsen	Montana State University Billings	Guard	Senior	5'8"
Kate Lehman	Fort Hays State University	Center	Junior	6'4"
Laurel Lindsay	Edinboro University	Guard	Junior	6'0"
Catherine Noack	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	Guard	Senior	5'8"
Jen Papich	Gannon University	Forward	Senior	6'1"
Tae'lor Purdy	Regis University	Guard	Senior	5'10"
Chelsey Rhodes	Delta State University	Guard	Sophomore	5'6"
Jordan Smith	University of Alabama – Huntsville	Guard	Senior	5'8"

Williesha Spencer	Flagler College	Guard	Senior	5'3"
Seneca Walton	Delta State University	Center	Junior	6'1"
Nyeshea Willie	Barton College	Guard	Senior	5'8"
Kiara Wright	Tarleton State University	Center	Senior	6'1"

**About the WBCA:**

Founded in 1981, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster and promote the development of the game as a sport for women and girls. For more information on the WBCA, please visit [wbca.org](http://wbca.org).