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## PLAYER LIST CONFIRMED FOR THE 2023 TEVLIN CHALLENGER

Canadian Katherine Sebov highlights player field as top-ranked entrant

**(TORONTO, ON) October 11, 2023** – On Wednesday, Tennis Canada announced the list of players who will compete at the 2023 Tevlin Challenger from October 23 to 29 at Sobeys Stadium in Toronto, Ontario. The \$60,000 International Tennis Federation (ITF) Circuit event has been held since 2005.

Canadian tennis fans will have the opportunity to witness some of the country's rising stars. Toronto native Katherine Sebov, ranked No. 153 on the WTA Tour, sits atop the main draw player list as the highest ranked player. Canadians Marina Stakusic, who was named ITF World Tennis Tour Player of the Month in September, and Victoria Mboko are also scheduled to take part. Cadence Brace, Kayla Cross and Ana Grubor are set to take part in qualifying.

In 2022, American Robin Anderson took home the title in singles by defeating Jang Su-jeong in the finals. Michaela Bayerlova and Su-jeong were crowned doubles champs, defeating Elysia Bolton and Jamie Loeb. Anderson – currently ranked No. 347 in the world – is in the player field again this year to try to defend her title. Since the tournament began in 2005, nobody has successfully defended their title in back-to-back years.

"This year's player field is an exceptional one, especially with a handful of Canadian up-and-coming stars scheduled to play. As always, it's such an honour to have so many great players signed up to come to Toronto," said Ryan Borczon, Tournament Director of the Tevlin Challenger. "We've seen so many of our past participants go on to become real difference makers on the WTA Tour, which is a true testament to the high-level tennis we see at the Challenger level and the importance of events like these in the development of tennis players."

Click <u>here</u> to see the full list of players scheduled to take part in the 2023 Tevlin Challenger. All matches from the event will be streamed live via the <u>official ITF website</u>. Admission to attend the event in-person is free.

## **About Tennis Canada**

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