

U23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

# MEDIA GUIDE



KAMAL BEY  
JUNIOR WORLD  
CHAMP

DATON FIX  
JUNIOR WORLD  
CHAMP

MAYA NELSON  
JUNIOR WORLD  
CHAMP

# SCHEDULE

## **U23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS at Bydgoszcz, Poland, Nov. 21-26**

### ***Schedule (Bydgoszcz local time)***

#### **Tuesday, Nov. 21**

Greco-Roman – 71 kg, 75 kg, 85 kg, 98 kg (Mossing, Porter, Stanghill, Smith)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

5 p.m. – Opening ceremony

6 p.m. – Medal matches

#### **Wednesday, Nov. 22**

Greco-Roman – 59 kg, 66 kg, 80 kg, 130 kg (Roberts, Sancho, Bey, Hancock)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

6 p.m. – Medal matches

#### **Thursday, Nov. 23**

Women's freestyle – 55 kg, 58 kg, 63 kg, 75 kg (Parrish, Black, Nelson, Watters)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

6 p.m. – Medal matches

#### **Friday, Nov. 24**

Women's freestyle – 48 kg, 53 kg, 60 kg, 69 kg (Pfau, Fearnside, Miracle, Molinari)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

6 p.m. – Medal matches

#### **Saturday, Nov. 25**

Men's freestyle – 57 kg, 61kg, 86 kg, 125 kg (Fix, McKee, Brooks, Kroells)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

6 p.m. – Medal matches

#### **Sunday, Nov. 26**

Men's freestyle – 65 kg, 70 kg, 74 kg, 97 kg (McKenna, Lewis, Martinez, Walz)

10 a.m. – Qualification rounds and repechage

6 p.m. – Medal matches

*Credits: This media guide was written, edited and designed by Taylor Miller with editing help from Gary Abbott. Cover photos by Richard Immel.*

# USA ROSTER

## **Greco-Roman roster**

59 kg/ 130 lbs.- Dalton Roberts (Fowlerville, Mich./New York AC)  
66 kg/145 lbs.- Alejandro Sancho (Miami, Fla./New York AC)  
71 kg/156 lbs.- Alex Mossing (Toledo, Ohio/Foxfire WC)  
75 kg/165 lbs.- Jesse Porter (Albany, N.Y./New York AC)  
80 kg/176 lbs.- Kamal Bey (Chicago, Ill./Sunkist Kids)  
85 kg/187 lbs.- Barrett Stanghill (Philipsburg, Mont./Minnesota Storm)  
98 kg/213 lbs.- Blake Smith (Peoria, Ariz./NMU-OTS)  
130 kg/286 lbs.- G'Angelo Hancock (Colorado Springs, Colo./Sunkist Kids/New York AC)  
Coach- Andy Bisek (Marquette, Mich.)

## **Women's freestyle roster**

48 kg/106 lbs. – Cody Pfau (Brush, Colo./Titan Mercury)  
53 kg/117 lbs. – Amy Fearnside (Colorado Springs, Colo./Titan Mercury)  
55 kg/121 lbs. – Dominique Parrish (Scotts Valley, Calif./Burnaby Mountain WC)  
58 kg/128 lbs. – Megan Black (Batavia, Iowa/Bearcat WC)  
60 kg/130 lbs. – Kayla Miracle (Campbellsville, Ky./Sunkist Kids)  
63 kg/139 lbs. – Maya Nelson (Denver, Colo./Sunkist Kids)  
69 kg/152 lbs. – Forrest Molinari (Colorado Springs, Colo./Titan Mercury)  
75 kg/165 lbs. – Rachel Watters (Ankeny, Iowa/Aries WC)  
Coach- Sam Schmitz (Lebanon, Ill.)  
Coach- Lee Miracle (Campbellsville, Ky.)  
Coach- Briana Delgado (Oklahoma City, Okla.)

## **Men's freestyle roster**

57 kg/125 lbs. – Daton Fix (Sand Springs, Okla./Titan Mercury/Cowboy RTC)  
61 kg/134 lbs. – Mitchell McKee (Hanover, Minn./Minnesota Storm)  
65 kg/143 lbs. – Joey McKenna (Towaco, N.J./Titan Mercury/Lehigh Valley WC)  
70 kg/154 lbs. – Richie Lewis (Toms River, N.J./Scarlett Knight WC)  
74 kg/163 lbs. – Isaiah Martinez (Lemoore, Calif./Titan Mercury)  
86 kg/189 lbs. – Sam Brooks (Oak Park, Ill./New York AC/Hawkeye WC)  
97 kg/213 lbs. – Ty Walz (Cleveland, Ohio/Titan Mercury/Southeast RTC)  
125 kg/275 lbs. – Michael Kroells (Belle Plaine, Minn./Minnesota Storm)  
Coach- Teague Moore (Washington D.C.)

## **Staff**

Medical - Dr. Ken Lane  
Medical- Warren Flautt  
Referee- Jim Speelman  
Team Leader- Paul Kieblesz



# GRECO-ROMAN

The Greco-Roman squad is led by 2017 Junior World champion Kamal Bey and 207 Senior World Team member G'Angelo Hancock.

# GRECO-ROMAN PREVIEW

USA Wrestling is sending eight talented Greco-Roman wrestlers for the first portion of the 2017 U23 World Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland, Nov. 21-26.

It will be the first UWW U23 World Championships, which features 18-23-year-old athletes in the three Olympic disciplines.

The U.S. Greco team is led by 2017 Junior World champion Kamal Bey and 2017 Senior World Team member G'Angelo Hancock, both veterans of age-group World competitions.

At 19 years old, Bey (Chicago, Ill./Sunkist Kids) is heading to his third World Championships in his young career and second of 2017. Earlier this year, he traveled with the U.S. Junior Greco World Team to Tampere, Finland, for the Junior World Championships, where he put on show to win the Junior World title at 74 kg/163 lbs. It was his second-straight trip to Junior Worlds.

For Bydgoszcz, Bey is bumping up to 80 kg/176 lbs.

In addition to his Junior gold, Bey won the 2017 U.S. Open, 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial International in February and 2016 Bill Farrell International. He also was the 2017 Senior World Team Trials runner-up.

Hancock (Colorado Springs, Colo./Sunkist Kids/New York AC) heads to his third World Championships of the year, after traveling to Finland for Junior Worlds and Paris, France, for Senior Worlds, where he notched a seventh-place finish. In recent competitions, he has competed at 96 kg or 98 kg, but will take on the heavyweight role in Poland, wrestling at 130 kg/286 lbs.

In 2016, Hancock, a three-time Junior World Team member, traveled to Macon, France, for the Junior Worlds and picked up a World bronze medal.

Like Bey, Hancock also owns gold medals from the 2017 U.S. Open, 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial and 2016 Bill Farrell International.

Both living at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo., Bey and Hancock have become domestic forces at their weight classes in a short time.

Former age-group World Team members Dalton Roberts and Alejandro Sancho will make the trip at 59 kg/130 lbs. and 66 kg/145 lbs., respectively. Both train at the Northern Michigan Olympic Training Site in Marquette, Mich. Roberts (Fowlerville, Mich./Sunkist Kids) is heading to the World stage for the fourth time after trips to the 2012 Cadet Worlds in Baku, Azerbaijan, 2015 Junior Worlds in Salvador, Brazil, and 2016 Junior Worlds in Macon. In 2015, Roberts produced a top-10 finish in the world, taking eighth.

The Northern Michigan junior owns two University Nationals titles and a pair international medals, including silver at the 2017 Arvo Haavisto Cup and bronze at the 2015 Eduardo Campbell Cup.

Sancho (Miami, Fl./New York AC) has been part of the Senior National Team for the last three years, while making four teams. In 2016, he earned a spot on the National Team at two different weights, finishing third at the Olympic Trials at 66 kg and taking second at the Non-Olympic Weight World Team Trials at 71 kg. In the 2015 and 2017 World Team Trials, he put up runner-up finishes.

# GRECO-ROMAN PREVIEW

Sancho is no stranger to international competition as he has seven international medals to his name, which include golds from the 2014 Bill Farrell International and 2017 Grand Prix Zagreb Open. He also went to the 2014 Junior World Championships in Zagreb, Croatia.

Roberts and Sancho are joined by three other current and former NMU-OTS teammates in Jesse Porter at 75 kg/165 lbs., Barrett Stanghill 85 kg/187 lbs. and Blake Smith at 98 kg/216 lbs.

All three have already seen a fair amount of success in international competition but will make their debuts on the world stage this month.

NMU junior Porter (Albany, N.Y./New York AC) was the 2017 U.S. Open runner-up, falling to now-U23 teammate Bey in the finals. In 2016, Porter took the crown at the UWW University Nationals. Overseas, he has won five medals, one silver and four bronzes.

A former wrestler at NMU, Stanghill (Philipsburg, Mont./Minnesota Storm) is a two-time University Nationals champion, winning in 2015 and 2017.

Smith (Peoria, Ariz./NMU-OTS), a freshman at Northern Michigan, won this summer's Junior World Team Trials at 96 kg but lost in a special wrestle-off to Hancock for the chance to go to Finland.

Stanghill and Smith are both seeking their first international medals.

Representing the U.S. at 71 kg/156 lbs. is U.S. Air Force Academy's Alex Mossing (Toledo, Ohio/Foxfire WC). Mossing was the University Nationals champion this year and finished seventh at the World Team Trials.

The Greco-Roman portion of the U23 World Championships is set for Nov. 21-22. First up for the U.S. is Mossing (71 kg), Porter (75 kg), Stanghill (98 kg) and Smith (98 kg) on Tuesday, Nov. 21, followed by Roberts (59 kg), Sancho (66 kg), Bey (80 kg) and Hancock (130 kg) on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

The preliminary rounds begin at 10 a.m. local time (4 a.m. ET), with the medal matches beginning at 6 p.m. (12 p.m. ET) on both days. Bydgoszcz is six hours ahead of the U.S. Eastern time zone.

Fans can find live streams and brackets on [Trackwrestling.com](http://Trackwrestling.com).

# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **DALTON ROBERTS**

Hometown: Fowlerville, Mich.

Residence: Marquette, Mich.

Club: New York AC

Regional Training Center: Northern Michigan Olympic Training Site

High school: Fowlerville HS

College: Northern Michigan

Born: July 21, 1996

Weight: 59 kg/130 lbs.



### Career Highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Two-time Junior World Team member (2015 and 2016)
- 2012 Cadet World Team member
- Two-time University Nationals champion (2016 and 2017)

2017: First at U23 World Team Trials... First at University Nationals... Fifth in World Team Trials...

2016: Silver medal in Arvo Haavisto Cup ... Fourth in Vantaa Cup... First at UWW Junior Nationals... First at UWW University Nationals...First at Austria Junior Greco-Roman Cup... 14th at Junior World Championships...

2015: Third in Eduardo Campbell Cup...First at UWW Junior Nationals... 8th in Junior World Championships...

2013: Junior Greco-Roman national champion (Fargo)... Fourth in Junior Freestyle Nationals (Fargo)... Third at Junior World Team Trials...

2012: First at FILA Cadet Greco Nationals... 12th at Cadet World Championships... Fourth in Cadet Freestyle Nationals...

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **ALEJANDRO SANCHO**

Hometown: Miami, Fla.

Residence: Marquette, Mich.

Club: New York AC

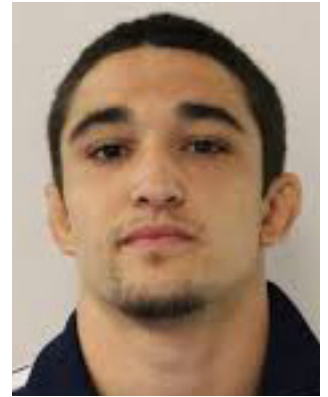
Regional Training Center: Northern Michigan Olympic Training Site

College: Northern Michigan

High school: South Miami HS

Born: March 18, 1994

Weight: 66 kg/145 lbs.



### Career Highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Three-time U.S. National Team member (2015-2018)
- 2016 Non-Olympic U.S. World Team Trials runner-up
- 2017 Grand Prix Zagreb Open champion
- 2016 Pan American Championships runner-up
- 2016 UWW University Nationals champion
- 2014 Bill Farrell International champion

2017: World Team Trials runner-up... Grand Prix Zagreb Open champion... Second in U.S. Open... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International... Second in Tbilisi Grand Prix...

2016: Second in Non-Olympic U.S. World Team Trials ... Third in U.S. Olympic Team Trials... UWW University Nationals champion... Second in Pan American Championships... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International... Fifth in U.S. Open...

2015: Third in Bill Farrell International... Second in U.S. World Team Trials... Second in U.S. Open... Fifth in Pan American Championships...

2014: FILA Junior Greco World Team Trials champion... First in Bill Farrell International... FILA Junior Greco Nationals champion... 12th in Junior World Championships...

2013: FILA Junior Greco Nationals champion... FILA Junior Greco World Team Trials runner-up ...

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **ALEX MOSSING**

Hometown: Toledo, Ohio

Residence: Colorado Springs, Colo.

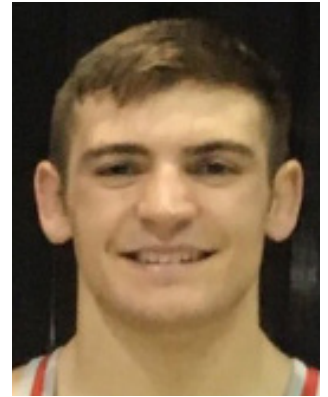
Club: Foxfire WC

College: Air Force Academy

High School: Central Catholic HS

Born: November 11, 1995

Weight: 71 kg/156 lbs.



### Career Highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 University Nationals champion

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... University Nationals champion... Seventh at Senior World Team Trials...

2016: Third at University Nationals...

2011: Eighth at Cadet Greco Nationals...

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **JESSE PORTER**

Hometown: Albany, N.Y.

Residence: Marquette, Mich.

Club: New York AC

Regional Training Center: Northern Michigan Olympic Training Site

College: Northern Michigan

High School: Shenendehowa High School

Born: Oct. 30, 1997

Weight: 75 kg/165 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 U.S. Open runner-up
- 2016 UWW University Nationals champion
- 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial silver medalist

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... Second in U.S. Open... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International... Third in Grand Prix Zagreb Open... Fifth in U.S. World Team Trials...

2016: Third at Bill Farrell International ... Third at Klippan Cup ... UWW University National champion ...

Age-group: Third at 2017 Junior Austria Open... Second at 2016 UWW Greco National Championships ... Third at 2015 UWW Greco National Championships ... Second at 2014 FILA Cadet Nationals ... Five-time Fargo All-American

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## KAMAL BEY

Hometown: Chicago, Ill.

Club: Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club

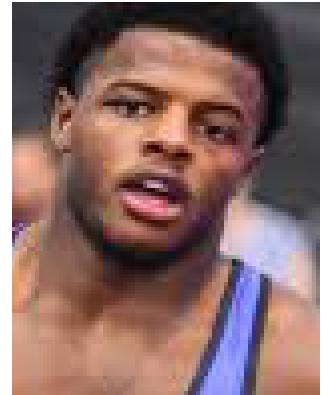
Regional Training Center: U.S. Olympic Training Center

College: Daymar College

High School: Oak Park River Forrest, Illinois

Born: January 3, 1998

Weight: 80 kg/176 lbs.



### Career highlights:

- 2017 Junior World champion
- 2017 U.S. Open champion
- 2017 World Team Trials runner-up
- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2016 and 2017 Junior World Team member
- 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial champion
- 2016 Bill Farrell International champion

2017: Junior World champion at 74 kg... U.S. Open champion... First at U23 World Team Trials at 80 kg... Second at Senior World Team Trials... Defeated Jesse Porter in special wrestle-off for Junior World Team spot... Dave Schultz Memorial International champion... Third at Grand Prix Zagreb Open... 2017 Junior Austria Open champion...

2016: Bill Farrell International champion... Fourth in Dave Schultz Memorial International ... DNP at UWW Junior World Championships... UWW Junior Greco World Team Trials champion... Second in Junior Greco Nationals (Fargo)...

2015: Junior Greco-Roman national champion (Fargo)...

2014: Cadet national runner-up in both Greco and freestyle (Fargo)...

2013: Second Cadet Freestyle Nationals (Fargo)...Third in Cadet Greco Nationals (Fargo)...

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Instagram: @itz\_kbey

# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **BARRETT STANGHILL**

Hometown: Philipsburg, Mont.

Club: Minnesota Storm

Regional Training Center: Minnesota Regional Training Center

College: Northern Michigan

Born: June 20, 1994

Weight: 85 kg/187 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Two-time University Nationals champion (2015, 2017)
- Third at 2017 U.S. Open

2017: First at U23 World Team Trials... University Nationals champion... Third in U.S. Open...

Fourth in U.S. World Team Trials... Fifth at Lubomir Ivanovic Gedza Memorial International

2016: Seventh in U.S. Open...Second at UWW University Nationals...

2015: University Nationals champion... Sixth in U.S. Open...

Age-group: Second in 2014 Junior World Team Trials... 2014 UWW Junior Greco national champion... Second in 2013 Junior World Team Trials... Second in 2013 Junior Greco Nationals (Fargo)... Third in 2012 Junior Greco Nationals (Fargo)...

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **BLAKE SMITH**

Hometown: Peoria, Ariz.

Club: NMU-OTS

Regional Training Center: Northern Michigan Olympic Training Site

College: Northern Michigan University

Born: Oct. 27, 1997

Weight: 98 kg/216 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 Junior World Team Trials champion

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... Junior World Team Trials champion\*...

2016: Seventh at Malar Cup... Eighth at Klippan Cup... Seventh at Austria Junior Greco-Roman Open...

College: Attends Northern Michigan University...

\* Smith lost to G'Angelo Hancock in a special wrestle-off for the 2017 Junior World Team spot

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# GRECO-ROMAN BIOS

## **G'ANGELO HANCOCK**

Hometown: Colorado Springs, Colo.

Club: New York AC/Sunkist Kids

Regional Training Center: U.S. Olympic Training Center

College: Daymar College

Born: July 27, 1997

Weight: 130 kg/286 lbs.



### Career highlights:

- Made three U.S. World Teams in 2017 (Junior, U23, Senior)
- 2017 U.S. Open champion
- Third in 2016 U.S. Olympic Team Trials
- Three-time Junior World Team member
- 2016 Junior World bronze medalist
- 2016 Bill Farrell International champion
- 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial International champion
- Third in 2016 U.S. Open
- 2017 Austria Junior Greco-Roman Open gold medalist

2017: Senior World Team Trials champion at 98 kg... Seventh in Senior World Championships... Defeated Blake Smith in special wrestle-off for Junior World Team spot at 96 kg... 13th in Junior World Championships... U23 World Team Trials champion at 130 kg... U.S. Open champion... Third in Pan American Championships... Dave Schultz Memorial International champion... Junior Austria Open champion... Second in University Nationals...

2016: Third in U.S. Olympic Team Trials... UWW Junior World Championships bronze medalist... UWW Junior Greco World Team Trials champion... Bill Farrell International champion ... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International... Second in Malar Cup ... Gold at Klippan Cup... Third in U.S. Open...Third at Austria Junior Greco-Roman Open... First in UWW University Nationals...

2015: 12th in UWW Junior World Championships... UWW Junior Greco World Team Trials champion... Third at Junior Greco Nationals (Fargo)...

2014: Fourth in Junior Greco Nationals (Fargo)...

Twitter: @OlympicKidd

Instagram: @hancockg



# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE

The USA's women's freestyle squad has a lot of experience, led by 2017 Junior World champion Maya Nelson and 2017 U.S. Open champion Kayla Miracle.

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE PREVIEW

Eight of the United States' most gifted young in women's freestyle wrestlers head to Bydgoszcz, Poland, next week for the U23 World Championships, Nov. 21-26.

It will be the first UWW U23 World Championships, which features 18-23-year-old athletes in the three Olympic disciplines.

Heading the squad is 2017 Junior World champion Maya Nelson (Denver, Colo./Sunkist Kids), who will compete in her second World Championships of the year.

A resident athlete at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo., Nelson has quickly become one to beat nationally with a 2017 U.S. Open title, 2016 University Nationals title and a spot on the 2017 U.S. Senior National Team.

Internationally, she has an immense amount of experience and success, dating back to her 2014 Cadet Pan American championship.

This summer at Junior Worlds in Tampere, Finland, Nelson became the first women's Junior World champion for the U.S. since 2010. Just a year before, she won bronze at the event, which was held in Macon, France.

Next week, Nelson will wrestle for the USA at 63 kg/130 lbs.

In Poland, Nelson will be joined by fellow Junior World bronze medalist Kayla Miracle (Campbellsville, Ky./Sunkist Kids), who is also on the U.S. Senior National Team, finishing second at the World Team Trials. Miracle won Junior World bronzes in 2014 in Zagreb, Croatia, and in 2016 in France.

Miracle, the 60 kg/132-pound representative, has been busy lately, competing collegiately for Campbellsville, participating in the Beat the Streets LA USA vs. Japan dual, winning the 20th Dave Schultz Memorial International and claiming victory in her bout at the NWCA All-Star Classic.

Her 2017 year has been successful thus far as she won the U.S. Open, University Nationals, her third WCWA championship, earned bronze at the Pan Am Championships and took silver in the April edition of the Dave Schultz tournament.

There are four other U.S. women who have made trips to age-group World Championships, including Junior World teamers Cody Pfau, Forrest Molinari and Rachel Watters and University World team member Amy Fearnside.

Pfau (Brush, Colo./Titan Mercury WC) and Watters (Ankeny, Iowa/Aries WC) have each been on three Junior World Teams.

Pfau, who will wrestle at 48 kg/106 lbs., took second at the 2017 Senior World Team Trials and was a two-time fifth-place finisher at Junior Worlds, falling in the bronze-medal match in 2013 in Sofia, Bulgaria, and 2015 in Salvador, Brazil.

A two-time WCWA champion for Oklahoma City, Pfau recently began her senior season at Emmanuel College.

Watters recently wrapped up her UWW Junior career at this year's Junior Worlds in Finland, competing at 72 kg. She also went to the 2015 and 2016 Junior World tournaments. In all three showings, she put up top-10 performances, highlighted by a fifth-place finish in 2015.

The Oklahoma City University sophomore owns one international medal, a silver from the 2016 Bill Farrell International.

Next week, she will contend for her first international gold at 75 kg/165 lbs.



# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE PREVIEW

Molinari (Colorado Springs, Colo./Titan Mercury WC) recently picked up gold at the Dave Schultz Memorial International, just two weeks ago. She has had a breakout international season this year, earning bronze at the Pan American Championships and the Grand Prix of Spain.

U23 Worlds will mark Molinari's second visit to the World stage. She finished seventh on the planet at the 2015 Junior World Championships. She will wrestle at 69 kg/152 lbs.

Earlier this year, Molinari graduated from King University, where she was a 2016 WCWA champion, 2017 runner-up. In 2015, she was an All-American for Missouri Baptist.

2014 University World bronze medalist Fearnside (Colorado Springs, Colo./Titan Mercury WC) has worked her way onto the U.S. National Team ladder, finishing third at Senior Trials at 53 kg/117 lbs. She also holds three University Nationals titles to her name from 2014, 2015 and 2017.

Fearnside was a four-time WCWA All-American for Jamestown.

Molinari and Fearnside are the newest additions to the resident athlete program at the Olympic Training Center.

WCWA stars Dominique Parrish and Megan Black will take on the world at 55 kg/121 lbs. and 58 kg/128 lbs., respectively.

Parrish (Scotts Valley, Calif./Burnaby Mountain WC) is a member of the 2017 Senior National Team and recently earned bronze at the Dave Schultz Memorial this month.

She is a two-time WCWA All-American for Simon Fraser, taking second in 2017.

Black (Batavia, Iowa/Bearcat WC) is a two-time WCWA runner-up for McKendree University and was an All-American in 2014 for King University. Black took top honors at University Nationals early this year.

The women's freestyle portion of the event is set for Nov. 23-24. Up first for the U.S. in women's freestyle are Parrish (55 kg), Black (58 kg), Nelson (63 kg) and Watters (75 kg) on Thursday, Nov. 23, followed by Pfau (48 kg), Fearnside (53 kg), Miracle (60 kg) and Molinari (69 kg) on Friday, Nov. 24.

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# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## **CODY PFAU**

Hometown: Brush, Colo.

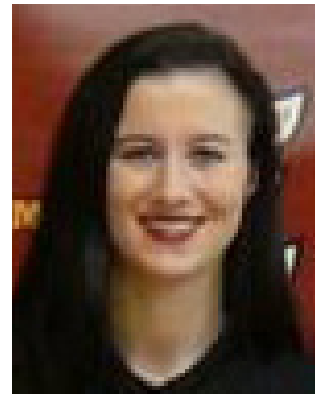
Club: Titan Mercury WC

College: Emmanuel College, Oklahoma City Univ.

High School: Grand Valley, Colo.

Born: Feb. 10, 1995

Weight: 48 kg/106 lbs.



### Career highlights:

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 Senior World Team Trials runner-up
- 2017 University Nationals champion
- 2016 U.S. Open champion
- Fifth at 2013 and 2015 Junior World Championships
- Three-time Junior World Team member
- Two-time University Nationals champion (2015, 2017)
- Two-time WCWA champion (2015, 2016)

2017: Fourth in Dave Schultz Memorial International (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion...Second in U.S. World Team Trials... University Nationals champion...

2016: Second in University Nationals... U.S. Open champion...

2015: Fifth in UWW Junior World Championships... Fourth at U.S. World Team Trials... UWW Junior Nationals champion... University Nationals champion...

2014: DNP in UWW Junior World Championships... Sixth in U.S. Open...UWW Junior Nationals champion...

2013: Fifth in UWW Junior World Championships... UWW Junior Nationals champion... Fifth in Austrian Ladies Open...

2012: Third in UWW Junior Nationals...

College: Attends Emmanuel College, coached by Link Davis... 2015 and 2016 WCWA Nationals champion for Oklahoma City... Fourth in 2014 WCWA Nationals for Oklahoma City... Previously coached by Archie Randall...

Age Group Achievements: ... 2012 and 2013 Junior Nationals champion... 2013 USA Wrestling Junior Folkstyle Nationals champion... Third in 2012 Body Bar FILA Junior Nationals... Second in 2012 Body Bar FILA Cadet Nationals... Second in 2012 USA Wrestling Junior Folkstyle Nationals... Second in 2011 Junior Nationals... 2011 Cadet Nationals champion... Third in 2011 FILA Cadet Nationals... Third in 2010 Junior Nationals...

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# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## AMY FEARNSIDE

Residence: Colorado Springs, Colo.

Club: Titan Mercury WC

Regional Training Center: U.S. Olympic Training Center

College: Jamestown College

High School: Morgan Hill, Calif. (Live Oak)

Born: March 24, 1994

Weight: 53 kg/117 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 Senior National Team member
- Three-time University Nationals champion (2014, 2015, 2017)
- 2014 University World bronze medalist
- Four-time WCWA All-American

2017: Fourth in Dave Schultz Memorial International (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion... Third in U.S. World Team Trials... University Nationals champion... Fifth in Klippan Lady Open (Sweden)...

2016: Fourth in Bill Farrell International... Second in University Nationals... Eighth in U.S. Open...

2015: 10th in Grand Prix of Spain... Fourth in U.S. Open... University Nationals champion...

2014: Third in University World Championships... Third in SFU Clan International (Canada)...

Fourth in U.S. World Team Trials... Fifth in U.S. Open... University Nationals champion...

2013: Second in Henri Deglane Challenge... Fourth in U.S. Open...

College: Second in the 2014 and 2017 WCWA Nationals for Jamestown Univ...Third in 2015

WCWA Nationals for Jamestown... Fourth in 2013 WCWA Nationals... Coached by Tony DeAnda...

Instagram: @afearnsi

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## DOMINIQUE PARRISH

Hometown: Scotts Valley, Calif.

Club: Burnaby Mountain WC

College: Simon Fraser Univ.

High School: Scotts Valley, Calif.

Born: November 5, 1996

Weight: 55 kg/121 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 U.S. Senior National Team member
- 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial bronze medalist
- Two-time WCWA All-American

2017: Third in Dave Schultz Memorial International (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion... Third in U.S. World Team Trials... Second in University Nationals... Third in U.S. Open...

2016: SFU Clansman Open champion (Canada)... Fourth in University Nationals...

2015: Third in UWW Junior Nationals...

Age Group Achievements: Third in 2015 Junior Nationals... 2014 Junior Nationals champion...

2014 and 2015 USA Wrestling Folkstyle Junior Nationals champion...

College: Second in 2017 WCWA College Nationals for Simon Fraser Univ... Third in 2016 WCWA College Nationals... Coached by Mike Jones...

High School: 2014 and 2015 California state high school champion for Scotts Valley High School... Second in 2013 California state championships...

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## MEGAN BLACK

Hometown: Batavia, Iowa

Club: Bearcat WC

College: McKendree Univ., King Univ.

High School: Eddyville, Iowa (Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont)

Born: August 6, 1994

Weight: 58 kg/128 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 University Nationals champion
- Two-time WCWA runner-up
- Three-time WCWA All-American

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... University Nationals champion... Seventh in U.S. Open...

2016: Third in University Nationals...

2014: Third in UWW Junior Nationals...

2013: Eighth in UWW Junior Nationals...

Age-Group Achievements: 2012 Junior Nationals champion... Third in 2011 Junior Nationals... Eighth in 2010 Junior Nationals...

College: Second in 2016 and 2017 WCWA College Nationals for McKendree Univ... Coached by Sam Schmitz...Seventh in 2014 WCWA College Nationals for King University, where she was coached by Jason Moorman....

High School: Eighth in 2012 Iowa state high school championships, competing against boys, for Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont High School

Instagram: @that.black.girl

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## KAYLA MIRACLE

Residence: Campbellsville, Ky.

Club: Sunkist Kids

College: Campbellsville

High School: Culver Academy (Ind.)

Born: April 26, 1996

Weight: 60 kg/132 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 U.S. Open champion
- 2015, 2016 and 2017 University Nationals champion
- Third in 2014 and 2016 Junior World Championships
- Second in 2012 Cadet World Championships
- Fourth in 2016 U.S. Olympic Team Trials
- 2016 Dave Schultz Memorial International champion
- 2014 Bill Farrell International champion
- Three-time WCWA College National champion for Campbellsville (2015-17)

2017: Dave Schultz Memorial International champion (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion... Third in Grand Prix of Spain... Third in Pan American Championships... Second in U.S. World Team Trials... University Nationals champion... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International (Feb. 2017)... U.S. Open champion...

2016: Fourth in Non-Olympic Weight World Team Trials... UWW Junior World bronze medalist... Fifth in Grand Prix of Spain... UWW Junior Nationals champion... Fourth in U.S. Olympic Team Trials... University Nationals champion... Dave Schultz Memorial International champion...

2015: Third in Bill Farrell International... Eighth in UWW Junior World Championships... Seventh at Grand Prix of Spain... Second in UWW Junior Pan American Championships... UWW Junior Nationals champion... University Nationals champion... Fourth in Dave Schultz Memorial International

2014: Minnesota Storm Holiday Cup champion... Bill Farrell International Open champion... UWW Junior World bronze medalist... Sixth in U.S. Open... Seventh in Pan American Championships... Fifth in Klippan Lady Open...

2013: Pan American UWW Junior champion... Second in UWW Junior Nationals...

2012: Second in UWW Cadet World Championships...

2011: Eighth in UWW Cadet World Championships...

Age-Group Achievements: Second in 2013 Junior Nationals... Second in 2013 UWW Cadet Nationals... 2012 and 2013 USA Wrestling Junior Folkstyle Nationals champion... 2012 Junior Nationals champion... Third in 2012 Cadet Nationals... 2012 USA Wrestling Cadet Folkstyle Nationals champion... 2011 and 2012 UWW Cadet Nationals champion... 2011 Cadet Nationals champion... Second in 2011 Junior Nationals...

College: 2015, 2016 and 2017 WCWA Nationals champion for Campbellsville... Coached by her father, Lee Miracle...

Twitter: @MiraculousKC

Instagram: @MiraculousKC

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## MAYA NELSON

Hometown: Denver, Colo.

Club: Sunkist Kids

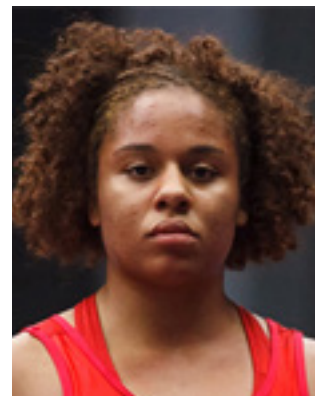
Regional Training Center: U.S. Olympic Training Center

College: University of the Cumberland

High School: Denver, Colo. (Denver East)

Born: September 20, 1997

Weight: 63 kg/139 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 Junior World champion
- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2016 Junior World bronze medalist
- Two-time Junior World Team member (2016, 2017)
- 2017 U.S. Senior National Team member
- 2017 U.S. Open runner-up
- 2014 Cadet Pan American champion
- Four-time Fargo champion

2017: Junior World Team Trials champion... Third in U.S. Senior World Team Trials... Second in University Nationals... Second in Dave Schultz Memorial International... Second in U.S. Open...

2016: UWW Junior World Championships bronze medalist... Fifth in Grand Prix of Spain... Junior World Team Trials champion... University Nationals champion... Third in U.S. Open...

2015: Junior Women's Freestyle national champion (Fargo)... Fourth in Bill Farrell International... Second in Junior World Team Trials... Sixth in U.S. Open... Nordhagen Classic champion...

2014: Junior Women's Freestyle national champion (Fargo)... Second in Junior World Team Trials... Austria Ladies Open champion... German Grand Prix champion... Cadet Pan American champion...

2013: Junior Women's Freestyle champion (Fargo)... Cadet Women's Freestyle champion (Fargo)... Second in Cadet World Team Trials... Second in Junior Folkstyle Nationals...

2012: Second in Cadet Women's Freestyle Nationals...

College: Attended the University of the Cumberland...

Twitter: @MayaNelson2015

Instagram: mayagnelson

# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## FORREST MOLINARI

Residence: Colorado Springs, Colo.

Club: Titan Mercury WC

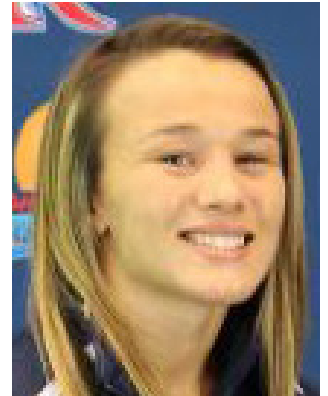
Regional Training Center: U.S. Olympic Training Center

College: King Univ., Missouri Baptist

High School: Benicia, Calif.

Born: Sept. 4, 1995

Weight: 69 kg/152 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 Dave Schultz Memorial champion
- 2017 Pan American Championships bronze medalist
- 2015 Junior World Team member
- 2016 WCWA national champion
- Three-time WCWA All-American

2017: Dave Schultz Memorial International champion (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion... Third in Grand Prix of Spain... Third in Pan American Championships... Fifth at U.S. World Team Trials... Third in U.S. Open...

2016: Fourth in U.S. Olympic Team Trials at 75 kg... Third in University Nationals... Second in 2016 Dave Schultz Memorial... Third in U.S. Open...

2015: Seventh in UWW Junior World Championships... Fifth at U.S. World Team Trials... UWW Junior Nationals champion... Fifth at U.S. Open... Fourth at University Nationals...

College: Second in 2017 WCWA College Nationals for King University... 2016 WCWA College national champion... Fourth at 2015 WCWA Nationals for King University... Coached by Jason Moorman...

Twitter: @mynameis\_jungle

Instagram: @forrest\_aka\_snowflake



# WOMEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## RACHEL WATTERS

Hometown: Ankeny, Iowa

Club: Aires WC

College: Oklahoma City Univ.

High School: Ballard, Iowa

Born: October 24, 1997

Weight: 75 kg/165 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Three-time Junior World Team member
- 2016 Bill Farrell silver medalist
- Fifth in 2015 Junior World Championships
- Three-time Fargo champion

2017: Fourth in Dave Schultz Memorial International (Nov. 2017)... U23 World Team Trials champion... Junior World Team Trials champion... Fourth in U.S. Senior World Team Trials... Sixth in U.S. Open... 10th at Junior World Championships...

2016: Ninth in Junior World Championships... Second in Bill Farrell International... Fourth in U.S. Open... Junior World Team Trials... Junior Women's Freestyle national champion (Fargo)... Junior Folkstyle champion...

2015: Fifth in UWW Junior World Championships... Fourth in U.S. Senior World Team Trials... Junior Women's Freestyle national champion (Fargo)... Junior World Team Trials champion... Third in Junior Folkstyle Nationals...

2014: Junior Folkstyle national champion... Fourth in Cadet World Team Trials...

2013: Cadet Women's Freestyle champion (Fargo)...

2012: Second in Folkstyle Cadet Nationals...

College: Seventh at 2017 WCWA College Nationals for Oklahoma City University... Coached by Matt Stevens...

Twitter: @rachelthedachel

Instagram: rachelthedachel



# MEN'S FREESTYLE

2017 Junior World champion Daton Fix headlines the talented group of men's freestyle wrestlers.

# MEN'S FREESTYLE PREVIEW

USA Wrestling is sending a skilled group of men's freestyle wrestlers to compete at the U23 World Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland, Nov. 21-26.

It will be the first UWW U23 World Championships, which features 18-23-year-old athletes in the three Olympic disciplines.

Daton Fix (Sand Springs, Okla./Titan Mercury/Cowboy RTC) leads the American team, entering his second World Championships of the year, fresh off a Junior World title.

This summer at the Junior World Championships in Tampere, Finland, Fix was absolutely dominant, outscoring his opponents 53-1. In the finals, he defeated Ismail Gadzhiev of Russia with a fast 12-1 technical fall.

Fix has a wealth of international experience, having wrestled in two Junior World Championships and two Cadet World Championships. From that, he has collected a 2017 Junior World gold, 2016 Junior World bronze and a 2015 Cadet World bronze.

He also traveled to the 2014 Cadet World Championships in Snina, Slovakia.

Fix, who will take on the world at 57 kg/125 lbs., is a true freshman at Oklahoma State.

In addition to Fix, there are three other wrestlers, who have earned age-group World medals, including Mitchell McKee, Joey McKenna and Sam Brooks.

McKee (Hanover, Minn./Minnesota Storm) was Fix's teammate in Finland, wrestling at 60 kg/132 lbs. It was his first World tournament since 2012, when he finished eighth at the Cadet World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan.

This time around, he stormed to the Junior World finals, pulling out some exciting wins. In the final, he fell to 2017 Junior European bronze medalist Abdulla Akhmedov of Russia but walked away with a Junior silver medal.

In his third World appearance, McKee will compete at 61 kg/134 lbs.

McKee just started his sophomore season at Minnesota. Last year, he qualified for NCAAs for the Gophers.

Seeking his second World medal in three attempts is McKenna (Towaco, N.J./Titan Mercury/Lehigh Valley WC).

Like McKee, McKenna owns a Junior World silver medal. He collected his in 2014 at the Junior World Championships in Zagreb, Croatia. McKenna also competed at the 2012 Cadet World Championships with McKee.

Since 2014, he has picked up two international medals, including gold at the 2015 Cerro Pelado International in Havana, Cuba, and bronze at the Ziolkowski International in Spala, Poland.

The New Jersey native is set to compete at 65 kg/143 lbs.

Recently, McKenna transferred to Ohio State after two years at Stanford, where he was a 2016 All-American, finishing third at NCAAs.

Also making his third age-group World Championship appearance is Brooks (Oak Park, Ill./New York AC/Hawkeye WC).

Brooks boasts a 2011 Cadet World bronze medal and was a member of the 2013 Junior World Team. In 2011, he earned World Team spots on both the Junior freestyle and Greco teams but elected to compete in freestyle.

# MEN'S FREESTYLE PREVIEW

U23 Worlds will be his first international competition since 2013. He will wrestle at 86 kg/189 lbs.

Brooks trains out of Iowa City, Iowa, where he recently completed his collegiate career as a two-time NCAA All-American and two-time Big Ten champion for the Hawkeyes.

Two-time NCAA champion Isaiah Martinez, a senior at Illinois, will don the Red, White and Blue at 74 kg/163 lbs.

This summer, Martinez won the Last Chance World Team Trials Qualifier and moved onto the U.S. Senior World Team Trials in Lincoln, Neb., where he took fourth. Martinez was a 2016 UWW University national champion.

As a Junior-aged athlete, he finished second at the 2014 Junior World Team Trials.

Three-time All-Americans will represent the USA at the heavy weights, with Ty Walz at 97 kg/213 lbs. and Michael Kroells at 125 kg/275 lbs.

Former Virginia Tech wrestler Walz (Cleveland, Ohio/Titan Mercury/Southeast RTC) has become more active on the freestyle circuit recently, finishing third at the 2016 UWW University Nationals and claiming fifth place at the 2017 U.S. Open to qualify for the Senior World Team Trials.

Kroells (Belle Plaine, Minn./Minnesota Storm), a former heavyweight and three-time All-American at Minnesota, took sixth at the 2016 UWW University Nationals. He will be competing in his first international tournament next week.

Two-time NJCAA All-American and Rutgers senior Richie Lewis (Toms River, N.J./Scarlett Knight WC) will head overseas for the first time in career and will compete at 70 kg/154 lbs.

He shocked the country, bulldozing through the U23 Trials bracket, taking out some of the nation's top young talent, including Nebraska junior Tyler Berger in the best-of-three championship series.

The men's freestyle portion of the event is set for Nov. 25-26. Up first for the U.S. in men's freestyle are Fix (57 kg), McKee (61 kg), Brooks (86 kg) and Kroells (125 kg) on Saturday, Nov. 25, followed by McKenna (65 kg), Lewis (70 kg), Martinez (75 kg) and Walz (97 kg) on Sunday, Nov. 26.

The preliminary rounds begin at 10 a.m. local time (4 a.m. ET), with the medal matches beginning at 6 p.m. (12 p.m. ET) on both days. Bydgoszcz is six hours ahead of the U.S. Eastern time zone.

Fans can find live streams and brackets on [Trackwrestling.com](http://Trackwrestling.com).

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## DATON FIX

Hometown: Sand Springs, Okla.

Club: Titan Mercury WC/Cowboy RTC

High school: Sand Springs HS

College: Oklahoma State

Born: March 11, 1998

Weight: 57 kg/125 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 Junior World champion
- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2016 Junior World bronze medalist
- 2015 Cadet World bronze medalist
- Two-time Junior World Team member
- Two-time Cadet World Team member
- Two-time UWW Junior Freestyle national champion
- 2014 Youth Olympic Games silver medalist
- 2014 Freestyle and Greco Cadet Pan American champion
- Three-time Fargo champion

2017: Junior World champion... U23 World Team Trials champion... Junior Freestyle World Team Trials champion... UWW Junior Freestyle national champion... Compete in Beats the Streets NYC dual...

2016: UWW Junior World bronze medalist... Junior Freestyle World Team Trials champion... UWW Junior Freestyle national champion... Compete in Beats the Streets NYC dual... Eighth at Grand Prix of Spain...

2015: UWW Cadet World bronze medalist... UWW Cadet Freestyle World Team Trials champion... UWW Junior Freestyle national champion... Second at Junior Freestyle World Team Trials... Junior Freestyle national champion (Fargo)...

2014: Second in freestyle a Youth Olympic Games... 10th at UWW Cadet World Championships... UWW Cadet Freestyle World Team Trials champion... Freestyle and Greco Cadet Pan Am champion... Folkstyle Nationals champion...

2013: Cadet Freestyle and Greco national champion (Fargo)...

College: Attending Oklahoma State...

Twitter: @\_Greatest\_Ever1

Instagram: \_greatest\_ever\_

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## MITCHELL MCKEE

Hometown: Hanover, Minn.

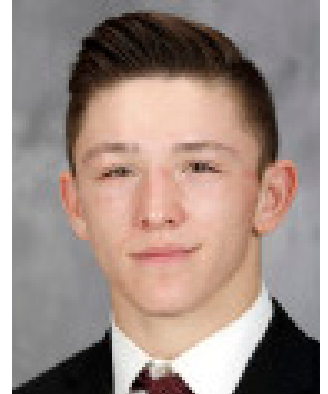
Club: Minnesota Storm

High school: St. Michael-Albertsville HS

College: Minnesota

Born: Dec. 24, 1997

Weight: 61 kg/134 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 Junior World silver medalist
- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2017 Junior World Team member
- 2012 Cadet World Team member
- Four-time Fargo champion
- 2016 UWW Junior Freestyle national champion
- Two-time Junior Freestyle World Team Trials runner-up
- 2016 Junior Greco World Team Trials runner-up

2017: Junior World silver medalist... U23 World Team Trials champion... Junior Freestyle World Team Trials champion... UWW Junior Freestyle national champion...

2016: Junior Greco national champion (Fargo)... Second in Junior Freestyle World Team Trials... Second in Junior Greco World Team Trials... Third at Folkstyle Nationals... Competed in Beat the Streets NYC dual...

2015: Junior Greco national champion (Fargo)... Junior Freestyle runner-up (Fargo)... Second at Junior Freestyle World Team Trials... Second in UWW Junior Freestyle Nationals... Third in UWW Junior Greco Nationals... Folkstyle Nationals champion...

2014: Junior Freestyle national champion (Fargo)... Folkstyle Nationals champion...

2013: Cadet Greco national champion (Fargo)... Second at Cadet Freestyle Nationals (Fargo)... Third at UWW Cadet Greco Nationals... Second in Folkstyle Nationals...

2012: 12th at UWW Cadet World Championships... Cadet Freestyle World Team Trials champion... Second in UWW Cadet Greco Nationals... Cadet Greco national champion (Fargo)... Folkstyle Nationals champion...

College: 2017 NCAA qualifier... Attending Univ. of Minnesota

Twitter: @mmckee133

Instagram: @mmckee133

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## JOEY MCKENNA

Hometown: Towaco, N.J.

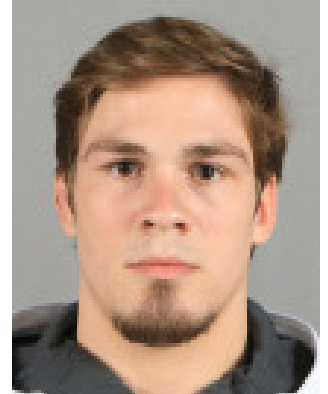
Club: Titan Mercury WC/Lehigh Valley WC

High school: Blair Academy

College: Ohio State, Stanford

Born: Aug. 3, 1995

Weight: 65 kg/143 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2014 Junior World silver medalist
- 2012 Cadet World Team member
- 2016 NCAA All-American

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion...

2016: Third in Ziolkowski International...

2015: Cerro Pelado International champion...

2014: Second in Junior World Championships... Junior World Team Trials champion... FILA Junior national champion... Third in Brazil Cup... Fourth in Bill Farrell International...

2012: Eighth in Cadet World Championships... Cadet World Team Trials champion... Third in FILA Junior Nationals...

Age-group: 2013 Junior Greco-Roman national champion... 2011 Cadet Greco-Roman national champion... 2010 Cadet Greco-Roman national champion... Second in 2013 Junior Freestyle Nationals... Second in 2012 Junior Freestyle Nationals...

College: Attends Ohio State... Two-time Pac-12 champion for Stanford... 2016 NCAA All-American for Stanford...

Twitter: @Joey\_McKenna

Instagram: @Joseph\_McKenna

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## **RICHIE LEWIS**

Hometown: Toms River, N.J.

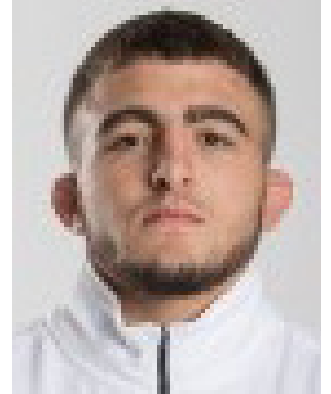
Club: Scarlett Knight WC

High school: Toms River East

College: Rutgers, Iowa Central CC

Born: July 4, 1994

Weight: 70 kg/156 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Two-time NJCAA All-American

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion...

College: Attends Rutgers... Two-time NJCAA All-American for Iowa Central...

Twitter: @LewisRichie

Instagram: @richie\_savage



# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## **ISAIAH MARTINEZ**

Hometown: Lemoore, Calif.

Club: Titan Mercury WC

High school: Lemoore HS

College: Illinois

Born: Sept. 2, 1994

Weight: 74 kg/163 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2016 UWW University Nationals champion
- Two-time NCAA champion (2015, 2016)

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... Fourth at Senior World Team Trials... Last Chance World Team Trials Qualifier champion...

2016: UWW University Nationals champion...

Age-group: Second in 2014 Junior World Team Trials... Second in 2014 FILA Junior Nationals...

2012 Junior Freestyle national champion...

College: Attends Illinois... 2015 and 2016 NCAA champion... 2017 NCAA runner-up... Three-time Big Ten champion... Two-time Midlands champion...

Twitter: @imar165

Instagram: @imar165

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## **SAM BROOKS**

Hometown: Oak Park, Ill.

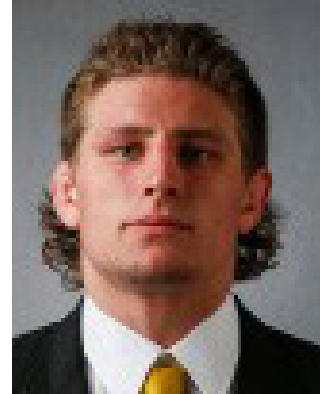
Club: New York AC/Hawkeye WC

High school: Oak Park-River Forest

College: Iowa

Born: March 21, 1994

Weight: 86 kg/189 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- 2013 Junior World Team member
- 2011 Cadet World bronze medalist
- Two-time NCAA All-American (2016, 2017)
- Two-time Big Ten champion (2016, 2017)

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion...

2016: Second in UWW University Nationals...

2013: Eighth at Junior World Championships... Junior World Team Trials champion...

2011: Third in Cadet World Championships (FS)... Cadet World Team Trials champion in Greco and freestyle...

Age-group: 2012 Greco-Roman and freestyle national champion... Second in 2014 Junior World Team Trials... Two-time Fargo runner-up...

College: Attended Iowa... 2016 and 2017 NCAA All-American... Two-time Big Ten champion (2016, 2017)...

Instagram: @sbrooks.5260

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## TY WALZ

Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio

Club: Titan Mercury/Southeast RTC

High school: St. Edward

College: Virginia Tech

Born: March 11, 1994

Weight: 97 kg/213 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Fifth in 2017 U.S. Open
- Three-time NCAA All-American (2015, 2016, 2017)

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion... Fifth at U.S. Open...

2016: Third in UWW University Nationals...

2015: Fifth in University Nationals...

2014: Fourth in University Nationals...

Age-group: Second in 2011 Cadet World Team Trials... 2010 Cadet freestyle national champion...

College: Attended Virginia Tech... Three-time NCAA All-American (2015, 2016, 2017)... 2017 ACC champion...

Twitter: @t\_wiggity\_walz

Instagram: @twiggitywalz

# MEN'S FREESTYLE BIOS

## **MICHAEL KROELLS**

Hometown: Belle Plaine, Minn.

Club: Minnesota Storm

High school: Scott West HS

College: Minnesota

Born: March 16, 1994

Weight: 125 kg/275 lbs.



### Career highlights

- 2017 U23 World Team member
- Three-time NCAA All-American (2015, 2016, 2017)

2017: U23 World Team Trials champion...

2016: Sixth at UWW University Nationals...

Age-group: Third at 2014 Junior World Team Trials... Third at 2014 FILA Junior Nationals... Third at 2013 Junior World Team Trials... Three-time Cadet Fargo All-American...

College: Attended Minnesota... Three-time NCAA All-American (2015, 2016, 2017)...



# COACHES

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The United States is sending several talented and knowledgeable coaches to lead the U.S. U23 World Team at the 2017 UWW U23 World Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland, Nov. 21-26

Making his World Team coaching debut as the head of the Greco-Roman team is Andy Bisek, who is no stranger to the World stage. Bisek is a two-time World bronze medalist, producing third-place finishes at the 2014 World Championships in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and the 2015 World Championships in Las Vegas, competing at 75 kg/165 lbs.

During that time, Bisek was a resident athlete at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo.

In addition to his two World medals, Bisek was also a part of the 2016 U.S. Olympic Team and two other Senior World Teams. He is a two-time Pan American Championships medalist and also won the Pan American Games in 2015.

Bisek recently shifted his career to coaching, joining the Northern Michigan University Olympic Training Site in Marquette, Mich., as an assistant coach for the Greco program. The Greco star is already quite familiar with the team as NMU-OTS put five current and former wrestlers on the eight-man U23 Greco squad.

Bisek will be assisted by U.S. Greco-Roman Head National Coach Matt Lindland and USA Wrestling Manager of Greco-Roman Programs Gary Mayabb.

This will be Mayabb's fourth World Championships this season, while Lindland will be coaching at his third of the year.

Greco competition is scheduled for Nov. 21-22.

The U23 Women's Freestyle World Team coaching staff boasts three highly qualified women's college coaches and an Assistant National Coach in Emma Randall.

Sam Schmitz, the head coach at McKendree University, will be making his second World Team trip this year, after assisting the Cadet women's freestyle team at the Cadet World Championships in Athens, Greece, in September.

He's also been on coaching staffs for the 2013 University World Games in Russia and the 2015 Junior World Championships in Brazil.

Schmitz is entering his fifth year as the head coach at McKendree and has helped 21 wrestlers to All-America honors. He's also put two wrestlers on the Junior World Team, including Alexis Porter in 2016 and Alex Glaude in 2017. Next month, he will coach McKendree wrestler Megan Black at U23 Worlds.

Additionally, Schmitz is the assistant coach for the McKendree men's team, where he has led 15 All-Americans and one national champion.

Campbellsville head coach Lee Miracle will join Team USA as a coach for the fourth time. He has been a volunteer coach for the Cadet Worlds, Junior Worlds and Senior Pan American Championships.

Miracle, who has been with the CU women's wrestling program since its inception, has coached three wrestlers to six WCWA national championships, 28 All-Americans and led the Tigers to top-six team finishes in all four WCWA appearances.

While in Poland, Miracle will get the opportunity to coach his daughter, Kayla, who is a three-time WCWA national champion for Campbellsville and 2017 Senior National Team member.

# COACHES

Oklahoma City University assistant coach Brieana Delgado is the third World Team women's freestyle coach.

Delgado is entering her second year with the OCU Stars and stands as the women's director for OKUSA. She has spent the past two summers coaching the Oklahoma National team at the USMC Cadet and Junior National Championships in Fargo, N.D.

Prior to coaching, Delgado had an impressive competitive career, winning two Fargo titles as a youth, collecting two WCWA All-America in college and earning bronze at the 2014 University World Championships.

Delgado will make the trip with another OCU Star, Rachel Watters, who will compete at 72 kg/158 lbs.

The U.S. women's freestyle team will take to the mat Nov. 23-24.

American University head coach Teague Moore will lead the U.S. Men's Freestyle team in the final portion of the World Championships.

In his six seasons at the helm of the Eagles' program, Moore has 41 dual wins under his belt, including 13 EIWA wins.

He's also coached three All-Americans, two EIWA champions, 19 NCAA qualifiers and 13 NWCA All-Academic Team members.

Prior to American, Moore served as the head coach at Clarion.

As an athlete, Moore was a 1998 NCAA champion and three-time All-American, wrestling for Oklahoma State. Internationally, Moore was a four-time U.S. National Team member and won a University World championship in 2000.

By his side in Poland will be U.S. Men's Freestyle Head National Coach Bill Zadick and USA Wrestling Manager of Freestyle Programs Joe Russell.

Men's freestyle competition will wrap up the tournament on Nov. 25-26.