

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

The unveiling of National Sports Awards nominees was held yesterday, 21st September 2017, at Royal Swazi Spa, Gigi's Restaurant, eZulwini.

The Chief Executive Officer of Swaziland National Sports and Recreational Council, Mr. Darius Dlomo, explained that the National Sports Awards are hosted in accordance with the Rule Book and approved by Auditors from Kobla Quashie. He paid tribute to our Members for their cooperation and he stated that the nomination process was subject to a criteria contained in the Rule Book which was carefully benchmarked from other awards nomination instruments of Global best practice.

Mr. Dlomo further explained that two categories of these award nominees will be unveiled at the Awards Gala Night on Saturday, 28th October 2017: the lifetime achievement Sports awards and the outstanding Paralympic Performance/ Sportswomen.



UNVEILING OF NATIONAL SPORTS AWARDS NOMINEES



Outstanding Sports Women

Phumlile Ndzinisa	Athletics
Jabulisile Khathwane	Netball
Carol Preat	Cycling

Outstanding Junior Sportswoman

Carlota Munave	Taekwondo
Robyn Young	Swimming

Outstanding Junior Sportsman

Thandolwethu Motsa	Taekwondo
Mfanawenkhosi Dube	Taekwondo
Likhwa Manyatsi	Football

Outstanding Sportsman

Sibusiso Matsenjwa	Athletics
Linda Dlamini	Oyama Kyokushin
Tony Tsabedze	Football

Outstanding Paralympic Sportsman

Mcebo Dlodlu	Athletics
Qhawe Nzima	Special Olympics

Outstanding Sports Team

Sihlangu Semnikati	Football
Taekwondo National	Taekwondo
MTN Khemani	Cycling Team

Outstanding Sports coach

Muzi Mabuza	Athletics
Thabo 'Khokhe' Vilakati	Football
Mbusi Motsa	Cycling

Outstanding Sports leader

Phumlani Ndwandwe	Darts
Frederick Mngomezulu	Football

Outstanding Sports Journalist

Ashmond Nzima	Times of Swaziland
Ntokozo Magonngo	Times of Swaziland
Sibusiso Masilela	Swazi Observer

Outstanding National Sports Association

National Football Association of Swaziland
Cycling Association of Swaziland
Swaziland National Darts Association

There are 13 sports awards categories in total and all the Sportsman and sportswomen nominees automatically qualify for the Sports Star nominees award.

MAY THE BEST CANDIDATE WIN

Intendant General Lassana Palenfo, President of ANOCA said, " We shall over the next four years sustain the actions surrounding or youths who, despite all odds, have always sought to make a show of their potential; they have been so inspiring and some of them did us very proud during the world athletics in London.

I wish in this regard to hail all the worthy daughters and noble sons of the continent who represented Africa at that event. Some won medals, some did not; I hereby convey to all of them the acknowledgements of ANOCA for a all their performances and their admirable conduct on and off the tracks."



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ASPIRE TO INSPIRE FOR GOLD

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AFRICA FETCHES 28 MEDALS IN IAAF WOLRD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Africa brought back home 28 medals(10 in Gold) from the 16th World athletics championships held in London from 4 to 13 August 2017. The performance is below Beijing 2015, where athletes won 32 medals, 12 of them in Gold and even set 2 records.



Range	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1st	Kenya	5	2	4	11
2nd	South Africa	3	1	2	6
3rd	Ethiopia	2	3	0	5
4th	Cote d'voire	0	2	0	2
5th	Burundi	0	1	0	1
6th	Morocco	0	1	0	1
7th	Uganda	0	1	0	1
8th	Tanzania	0	0	1	1

Kenya, runners up at the 2017 World Championships after the U.S., with 11 podium performances and 5 World titles, did not perform better than 2015 where they won 16 medals,7 of them in Gold. The second African Nation, South Africa, bagged 6 medals in London,3 of them in Gold.

THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE LAUNCHES THE COACHES AWARD



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The International Olympic Committee recently launched a "Coaches Award." It is an award in recognition of the importance and outstanding achievement of coaches and their contributions to the lives of Olympians and the Olympic Movement.

One female and one male coach will be recognized at the maiden edition of the awards, which will be organized annually. Coaches could be nominated by Olympians, International Federations, National Olympic Committees, members of the IOC Athletes' and Entourage Commissions and IOC Members. The IOC President shall set up and appoint members of a selection panel comprising the Chair of the IOC Entourage Commission, two members of this very same Commission and two members of the IOC Athletes' Commission.