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JOHN PAGE_

John is a graduate from Liberty University where he played on the Flames Club Tennis Team. John puts an emphasis on mindset, focusing on players' ground stroke timing, a critical part of his one-hander. John is

patient and likes working with allskill levels. In his free time, John enjoys watching the Ravens, Spartan Races, and paddleboarding, \$75/hour (Staff)



KENNETH KILGORE ____

Kenneth recently moved here from Cincinnati, Ohio to pursue his masters degree in business administration. His specialties include tennis strategy and footwork.If you are looking for a kind, patient, goal-oriented pro, Kenneth is your guy. His hobbies include playing soccer, listening to Anderson Paak, and trying out new local delis. \$70/hour (Staff)



CHRIS FOGLIA __

Chris Foglia is a USPTA Elite Tennis and **Pickleball Teaching Professional who** comes to the GTC from Lighthouse Point, Florida, where he taught at the **Lighthouse Point Tennis Center and** Hillsboro Club. Chris was a baseball college athlete who picked up

a tennis racket and fell in love with the game. So if you want a pro who is versatile in tennis and pickleball, Chris is your pro. He enjoys any & all outdoor adventures! \$75/hr (Staff)



BRENDEN SULLINGER_

Brenden decided to hit his first tennis ball at the age of 14. He then decided to continue his passion competitively and go on to play for Colorado State University-Pueblo. His style primarily focuses on winning points through efficiency. He has

worked for Hitman Sports Management for a whopping 10 years! When Brenden is not at the courts (he's always here), he enjoys listening to live music and loves animals. \$75/hour (Staff)

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JESS JONES_

Jess is a USPTA certified Tennis Professional originally from Warner Robins, GA. He is a former Division 1 Tennis player who competed for both University of Tennessee and Clemson University. Jess achieved success throughout his junior

career by being ranked top 10 in the United States in each age division. Most recently less served as Director of Tennis at Camden Country Club where he was able to enhance his knowledge in the sport by working with all varieties of skill levels. \$85/hour (Staff)



GEORGE FERGUSON _

George comes to Gates by way of Havre, Montana. He has spent the last 20 years as one of the most successful high school tennis coaches in the Treasure State. George was recently named a finalist for the NHSACA National Tennis Coach of the year for 2023. As a teaching pro, George

excels in teaching fundamentals and strategy to all skill levels, as well having vast experience working with juniors and with group lessons. Off the tennis court, George is a dedicated hiker, loves the outdoors, and is an avid golfer, having also coached high school golf for four years. He is excited to be a part of the Gates team and the Denver scene. \$70/hour (Staff)



SARAH MEGILLIGAN_

Sarah is originally from Pueblo, Colorado where she taught all ages & all levels. She moved north to continue her coaching career in the Mile High City. Sarah competed at the collegiate level from 2016 to 2020 in the 1st doubles and 2nd singles positions at Colorado State

University-Pueblo. While on the court Sarah likes to focus on stroke techniques and cues, singles and doubles strategy, movement/footwork, and overall having fun. When off court Sarah spends her time running, hiking, photography/videography, and staying curious by learning new things. \$70/hour (Staff)

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ERIC SMITH _

Eric comes to us from Vero Beach, FL, home to American number 1 player Mardy Fish. He trained and worked on the green clay of Twin Oaks Tennis Club. **Eric loves working on topspin forehands** and kick serves. He's a kind & silly

instructor who is great with all levels. He is USRSA certified, so ask away with stringing questions! When not on court, he loves to try new restaurants around Denver \$70/hour (Staff)



SYDNEY JONES_

Sydney is a recent graduate from Rutgers University where she played D1 Tennis. She is originally from Dallas, Texas and recently moved to Denver to obtain her master's degree in social work. Her strengths include aggressive play, moving into the court, and helping other's figure

out their style of tennis play and what best suits their game. Her hobbies include hiking, exploring new coffee shops, attending any sporting game, and taking care of her two cats. \$65/hour (Staff)



RICK ESCOBEDO _____

Rick is a junior pro specialist, starting as early as 5 years old. Originally from Roswell, New Mexico, he played high school tennis and many years in league tennis. He understands the importance of teaching kids and adults the fundamentals of the game, along with general core beliefs of

being an athlete. Keeping his lessons fun and exciting he applies "Teaching for Transfer" which allows students to draw from other sports they are involved in to help cross train and apply to tennis. Rick has spent 17 seasons at Keystone working as a ski instructor and lead trainer. If you are hitting the slopes, keep your eye out for him! Consider Rick for the junior or adult player in your family. " \$60/hr



LEWIS CHARETTE.

Trading in his surfboard for a snowboard, Lewis comes to us by way of Wilmington, North Carolina. Lewis played his college tennis at DII Shepherd University in West Virginia, where he got his degree in Exercise Science. As a 4 year starter for the Rams Lewis played #1 doubles and #3 singles.

When not on court you can find him hiking with his dog or at a concert. Lewis has a background teaching everyone from beginner level adults to high level juniors, so if you're looking for a well rounded pro look no further! Lewis is available for group and private lessons. \$60/hour (Staff)



ARIEL EISENBERG.

Ariel is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, and is excited to join the team over at Gates Tennis Center. Ariel is relocating from New York to Denver, and can't wait to explore the mile-high city! Ariel is a long-time tennis

player, and is truly dedicated to her players' happiness and successes. Back in New York, Ariel was a full-time tennis coach at a high-performance academy, focusing on technique and footwork with high energy and a big smile. She loves working with players of all ages and levels. making her lessons fun and creative with various drills and games! She is working on becoming USPTA certified, and can't wait to get on the court with you all!. \$70/hour (Staff)



REBEKA MARTANCIKOVA

Rebeka was born in Slovakia & started playing tennis when she was 6 in her hometown, Liptovsky Mikulas. Here in Colorado, she was third in the Candy Cup Women's Open and second in the Colorado State Open. At a point she

realized she enjoys coaching even more than playing matches. She is very excited to continue her coaching career here in Colorado and looks forward to showing people new techniques of training she used in Europe! \$65/hour (Staff)



AARON GAMBRELL _

Aaron has been playing tennis ever since he was 8 years old and has fallen in love with it ever since. Originally from Lindale, TX, Aaron started his career out by reaching the highest level a junior can receive at the age of 17 in

Texas which is classified as a Super Champ. In the years following he brought three district championships home for his high school team in doubles. Aaron played tennis for the University of The Ozarks, at top spots on the lineup for singles and doubles, was nominated for athlete of the year in his conference, and even had the most wins on the team overall in the year 2022. In his free time Aaron enjoys concerts, hiking, and baseball. \$65/hour (Staff)

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BRIAN WILLIAMS.

Originally from New Jersey, Brian moved to Colorado in 2017 and began working at Gates soon thereafter. He graduated from the University of Scranton in 2014 where he played singles and doubles; earning First Team All-Conference honors. His

loves teaching topspin forehand and serve. When not on the court, Brian enjoys skiing at Breckenridge, traveling, and climbing Colorado 14ers. A solid coach & great guy. \$80/hour (IC)



MICHAEL TOWNE _

Originally hailing from Richmond, VA, Michael was crowned Virginia State"All Prep." in high school. While out on court. Likes thinking outside the box. He has a calming demeanor and a knack for targeting weak spots in a player's game. \$75/hour (IC)



ANDY BOOTH __

Former Director of Tennis at The Snowmass Club in Aspen, Colorado, Andy is a USPTA Elite Professional, twice elected as President of the USPTA Intermountain Division. He's had great success in taking league players to the next level

through strategic court positioning and stroke production. Andy was also on-court with Cici Bellis & Nicole Gibbs, \$100/hour (IC)



CAREY BRADING __

A former national junior champion, Carey represented his native country of New Zealand in international play before attending and earning a B.A. in Business Management from Colorado State University-Pueblo, where twice he was awarded All-

American status and selected to represent the NAIA national team. Carey has earned many accolades, has several USTA/USPTA certifications, and has been as high as #308 in ATP rankings. When not teaching tennis you might find Carey on the dance floor doing the Cha-cha. www.careybrading.com \$75/hour (IC)



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KB MAKGALE ___

Born in Botswana, Africa, KB's favorite sports, besides tennis, are soccer and football. Specialties are serve, topspin, and footwork. Played tennis at MSU Denver. A patient teaching style with lots of tips, KB is a great coach for all levels. \$75/hour (IC)