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BOCA RATON, FL**

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SCAN FOR OUR EXTENDED SHOW PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDES:
ATHLETE NUMBERS, HALL OF FAME, JUDGES PROFILES & MORE



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To All Competitors and Guests,

I would like to welcome you to the 43rd Annual NPC Southern States Championships. This show holds a special place in many of our hearts as it has been one of America's biggest stages to compete on for several decades and it was the show to be seen at in the South if you had aspirations to go Pro. It was one of the first shows I competed in back in 1998 and I have been involved with the show ever since. I would like to thank Peter Potter who brought me in as a promoter and Tim Gardner who has been in my corner and has been a great friend since we were the Color Commentators on this show's TV broadcast.

I would also like to show my appreciation to all of our sponsors here this evening. Please visit their booths, check out their quality products and join me in showing gratitude for giving back to our sport.

We have a prestigious panel of IFBB PRO LEAGUE & OLYMPIA judges here to give our athletes the due respect that they deserve. Head Judge Tim Gardner, Vince Crawford, Deke Warner, John Hnatyshak, and Dr. Peter John Rhoden; THANK YOU for your continued support.

This year we have 2016 Southern States Champion and now IFBB PRO LEAGUE Women's Physique Pro Jeannie Feldman guest posing tonight. Jeannie is a dear friend and on the hunt for a 2023 Olympia Title. She won the 2022 Tampa Pro and finished 6th at the 2022 Mr. Olympia. Many additional pros will be at the various sponsor booths so take the opportunity to meet them and take pictures.

We are most proud of the hundreds of our NPC Southern States competitors who have gone on to become IFBB Pro League Pros. Tonight, you will see several athletes who have similar aspirations and may well follow in their footsteps.

Be sure to cheer as loud as you can for everyone, even though your favorite may not win, know that everyone who steps out on the stage is a winner.

All of our athletes have sacrificed for weeks to prepare for this show, so please show your support to them this evening. Each and every competitor is an inspiration in their own way.

Of course, I could not do what I do, or put on this show without the support of my husband, Alan and my sons Joey & Matty; as well as all of my family and friends that came out to help in making this show the best. Your hard work is greatly appreciated.

COMPETITORS REMEMBER! All the hard work is done, now go out and have some fun!!!

All the Best,

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HALL OF FAME

YOU CAN FIND EVERY ATHLETE SINCE 1980 WHO HAS WON THEIR DIVISION & TURNED PRO ON OUR WEBSITE

SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO CHECK IT OUT 



HALL OF FAME

GENE MASSEY MEMORIAL AWARD

The Gene Massey Memorial Award was originated at the first NPC Southern States to honor the memory of Eugene "Gene" Massey. Gene was one of Florida's top and most influential bodybuilder. In his 10 years of competition, he won over 40 top titles including the Florida State ('69), the Mr. Southern States ('72), the Eastern America ('75) and was runner-up at the Mr. World ('70). Gene was unfortunately killed in a private aircraft accident in 1975 while on the way to compete in Louisiana.

In addition to being Florida's #1 bodybuilder and being ranked top 10 in the country, Gene ran the first hardcore gym in Hollywood, FL as well as a popular health food store. He promoted contests and was involved in the governing association of the sport. Gene inspired hundreds to become involved in the sport and helped anyone who was interested.

The Gene Massey Memorial Award was created to honor this giant figure and pay tribute to his many accomplishments. The award is presented each year at the NPC Southern States to the person who best personifies Gene's contributions to our sport.

Find out more about Gene and our past winners on the **GENE MASSEY AWARD** page on our website.



2022 RECIPIENT - STACY KAUFMAN

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

1981	TONY LITTLE	2002	MIKE BROOKS
1982	JOHN SCHLEICHER	2003	PETE FANCHER
1983	RICHARD BALDWIN	2004	BILL NEYLON
1984	GEORGE PRINCE	2005	MARIA BELLANDO
1985	PAT SPORER	2006	MANUEL MAIR
1986	JOHN CARL MESE	2007	DR PETER-JOHN RHODEN
1987	EDDIE NIEVES	2008	SHANNON DEY
1988	TIM BEATTIE	2009	MATT MOUNTS
1989	RAFAEL GUERRERO	2010	CARLOS RODRIGUEZ
1990	JERRY BYFIELD	2011	ERNEST BEA
1991	SERGIO PACHECO	2012	RICH ALVAREZ
1992	DORIS BARRILLEAUX	2013	MIKE MCKINNEY
1993	MIKE KATZ	2014	OJ JAICHON
1994	JUAN HERNANDEZ	2015	CJ JAMES
1995	CAROL MCCREARY	2016	MAGGY CAMBRONERO
1996	DARREM CHARLES	2017	CALVIN CHOY
1997	JORGE BETANCOURT	2018	SERGE SARIC
1998	JOHN ORGAN	2019	ALEX CAMBRONERO
1999	KATHY CONNORS	2020	DEKE WARNER
2000	TIM GARDNER	2021	PETER POTTER
2001	ADOLFO ROBLES	2022	STACY KAUFMAN



2022 RECIPIENT - JADE SHKNAITIS

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

1990	EZEKIAL DAVIS	2006	DAVID ESPANA
1991	DANNY GONZALEZ	2007	EVELIO CASTALES
1992	JJ CHISHOLM	2008	BRIAN SILK, JR.
1993	GREGORY RANDOL	2009	RENEL CHARLES
1994	ROBERT BENAVENTE	2010	JONATHAN MENOCAL
1995	DAVID ANDERSON	2011	MICHAEL TOSECKY
	JOSHUA NORTON	2012	STEVEN JORDAN
1996	LIBEL REMEDIOS	2013	CODY BISHOP
1997	JARROD CANNON	2014	LORENZO MARTIR
1998	RAUL FELICIANO	2015	MICHAEL FORDE
1999	BRIAN HUGHES	2016	NIVALDO MENENDEZ
2000	RICKY GONZALES	2017	MOHAMAD CHWIKI
2001	IAN SCHOFIELD	2018	DEREK SHEINBERG
2002	MO ELBASOUNI	2019	RAFAEL GOMEZ
2003	COY BARTON III	2020	SAMUEL RAY MAURI
2005	RAMIEN AFSARMANESH	2021	SAVANNA CORNS
	JAMES SEYMOUR	2022	JADE SHKNAITIS

DAVID BAILEY

MOST PROMISING TEEN MEMORIAL AWARD

An early winner of the Most Promising Teen Award was David Bailey of Miami. He was the overall Teen Southern States winner in 1984 and then won the Gold Coast title as an open competitor. There was no question that he was destined for many more victories. Unfortunately, on his way home from work on October 13, 1989, he was killed in an automobile accident. He was just 23 years old at the time.

Bodybuilding was a big part of David's life and he will always be remembered for his outgoing personality, need to help others and passionate dedication to training.

The "Most Promising Teen" award was renamed in 1990 to the David Bailey Memorial Award in David's honor.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EVENING SHOW 5:00 PM

FITNESS

WOMEN'S BODYBUILDING
WOMEN'S PHYSIQUE

OVER 35
OPEN

CLASSIC PHYSIQUE

TRUE NOVICE
NOVICE
MASTERS 60, 50, 40, 35
TEEN
OPEN A, B, C

FIGURE

TRUE NOVICE
NOVICE
MASTERS 60, 50, 40, 35
OPEN A, B, C, D

WELLNESS

TRUE NOVICE
NOVICE
OVER 35
OPEN A, B, C

GENE MASSEY AWARD

-INTERMISSION-

MEN'S PHYSIQUE

TRUE NOVICE
NOVICE
MASTERS 60, 50, 40, 35
TEEN
OPEN A, B, C, D

BIKINI

TRUE NOVICE
NOVICE A, B
MASTERS 50, 45, 40, 35
TEEN
OPEN A, B, C, D

MEN'S BODYBUILDING

NOVICE
MASTERS 70, 60, 50, 40, 35
TEEN
OPEN

TEAM AWARD

OVERALL BODYBUILDING

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