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TWO-TIME GRAND SLAM FINALIST AND WORLD NO. 3 AMANDA ANISIMOVA ENTERS CHARLESTON TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Credit One Charleston Open announces fourth top 15 American to enter its 2026 player field

CHARLESTON, S.C. – Coming off the biggest season of her career, Amanda Anisimova has committed to play the 2026 [Credit One Charleston Open](#), North America’s largest women’s-only professional tennis event. The 24-year-old American is currently ranked World No. 3 and reached the finals of both Wimbledon and the US Open in 2025. She also captured two WTA 1000 titles, in Doha and Beijing, helping to propel her into the world’s top five for the first time and secure a maiden qualification for the WTA Finals. She was recently named the WTA’s Most Improved Player of 2025 based on her remarkable results last season. Anisimova will join fellow Americans World No. 6 Jessica Pegula, World No. 7 Madison Keys and World No. 15 Emma Navarro at the 2026 tournament, set for March 28 - April 5 on Daniel Island in Charleston, SC.

Anisimova stepped away from tennis in 2023 and returned in January 2024 ranked No. 359. Since then, she has steadily re-climbed the rankings and broke into the top 20, top 10 and ultimately the top five within less than two years of her comeback. She will play the Credit One Charleston Open for the sixth time in 2026.

As the kickoff event of the WTA Tour Driven by Mercedes-Benz’s clay season, the Charleston Open is held annually at [Credit One Stadium](#) and was named WTA 500 Tournament of the Year in 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025. In April, Credit One Bank extended its title partnership of the Credit One Charleston Open through 2031 and announced the tournament will offer equal prize money beginning in 2026, a historic milestone for the event. This move reflects the bank’s belief that women athletes deserve equal investment and opportunity, and further cements Charleston’s role as a leader on the WTA Tour. With this announcement, the Credit One Charleston Open becomes the first standalone WTA 500 tournament to voluntarily increase prize money to match comparable ATP 500 events.

“We look forward to having Amanda back in Charleston,” said Bob Moran, President of Beemok Sports & Entertainment. “Her journey over the past two seasons has been nothing short of extraordinary. To step away from the sport and return stronger than ever speaks to her resilience, talent and competitive spirit. Our fans have always admired Amanda’s style of play, and having her compete in the Credit One Charleston Open this year adds an incredible level of excitement to the tournament.”

Anisimova has reached two semifinals in five Charleston appearances, most recently in 2025, when she was forced to retire in the first set against Sofia Kenin due to a back injury.

“I’m really excited to play Charleston again. I’d love another shot at the title after having to retire in the semifinals last year,” said Anisimova. “The tournament and the city have such a fun atmosphere, and the fans mean a lot to me. I’m looking forward to coming back strong and competing again this spring.”

The nine-day Credit One Charleston Open showcases a singles draw of 48 players, a qualifying draw of 24 players, and a doubles draw of 16 players. The event traditionally hosts more than 90,000 attendees on Daniel Island.

Charleston Tennis, LLC, which manages [Credit One Stadium](#) under a lease from the City of Charleston, renovated and modernized the 20-year-old facility in 2022. The city-owned venue underwent upgrades to enhance the stadium experience for patrons, performers, tennis players and event management, allowing the venue to attract world-class athletes and talent to Daniel Island.

The Credit One Charleston Open has been a pioneer in women's professional sports since 1973, paving the way for female tennis players to receive equal recognition, respect and compensation in the sport. The tournament has a long history of breaking new ground in tennis, having been the first women's tennis event to offer \$100,000 in prize money in 1973 and the first to be broadcast live on network television. The inaugural champion, Rosie Casals, received a check for \$30,000, which was the largest prize money payout awarded to a woman that year. Originally held on Hilton Head Island, the event relocated to Charleston in 2001 and is now played at the LTP Daniel Island tennis center, home to Credit One Stadium.

Tickets are currently on sale at creditonecharlestonopen.com or by calling (843) 856-7900. For additional information, please email info@creditonestadium.com or visit creditonecharlestonopen.com. When purchasing tickets for the 2026 Credit One Charleston Open, patrons have the option to choose from [single session tickets](#) and a limited number of [ticket packages](#), including the Intro Package and MUSC Family Weekend Package. Packages provide exclusive and premier views of the court, as well as the best value on tickets. Special discounts are available for juniors, seniors, USTA members and military members. Juniors aged 16 and under receive complimentary general admission with the purchase of an adult ticket, courtesy of Credit One Bank.

About the Credit One Charleston Open:

The Credit One Charleston Open is North America's largest women-only tennis tournament. In 2026, the tournament will become the first standalone WTA 500 to offer equal prize money. Formerly known as the Family Circle Cup and Volvo Car Open, the event relocated to Charleston, S.C., in 2001 from Hilton Head Island, S.C., and celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2022. Recognized as the WTA 500 Event of the Year in 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025, the tournament traditionally attracts more than 90,000 spectators each year. It features a singles draw of 48 players, a qualifying draw of 24 players, and a doubles draw of 16 players. In partnership with Tennis Channel and WTA Media, the Credit One Charleston Open is broadcast from the first ball struck in main draw competition to the last ball played in the finals, reaching audiences across the U.S. and through 174 international partners. The tournament receives more than 100 hours of live tennis coverage, engaging millions of fans worldwide. The Credit One Charleston Open is owned and operated by Charleston Tennis, LLC. For more information on the Credit One Charleston Open, visit creditonecharlestonopen.com, call (843) 856-7900, email info@charlestontennisllc.com, Facebook (Credit One Charleston Open), Twitter ([@CharlestonOpen](#)) or Instagram ([@CreditOneCharlestonOpen](#)).

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