

# 2018 LAKEWOOD PARK TENNIS INSTRUCTORS



## **Libby Geelan**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$65/hour**

Libby brings with her an extensive playing, teaching, and business background. A natural coach, she comes to Lakewood Park from Gates Tennis Center where she was an integral part of the success of the largest public tennis facility in Colorado. Tennis is more than a game for Libby, and has been a big part of her life and family. Not only was Libby a standout high school player, but she was a full scholarship recipient and played Division 1 tennis at Bowling Green State University. She hopes that she will see you on the courts soon!



## **Dave Binder**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$65/hour**

Dave has been teaching and coaching tennis for over 25 years. Originally from Lorain, OH, Dave grew playing a variety of sports before deciding to concentrate on tennis in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Dave played 2 years for Division I University of Toledo, before transferring to and graduating from Kent State University. After coaching for a few years in Cleveland, Dave moved to Chicago and worked for 8 years at the CARE Tennis Academy in Libertyville, IL, one of the top junior academies in the country. Most recently, Dave has been Tennis Coordinator for the City of Missoula's Parks and Recreation. When not teaching, Dave enjoys trail running, cycling and just about any human-powered activity in the mountains.



## **Betsy Kiser**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$60/hour**

Betsy has been teaching and coaching tennis for 15 years. She is the founder of High Impact Tennis in Gainesville, Georgia where she and her coaching team grew tennis, developed players, programs, and events, while instilling an appreciation and zeal in the community for this lifelong sport. After 12 years with HIT, Betsy moved to Austin, Texas to share her passion, and seek some more wisdom with an opportunity to coach at Courtyard Tennis Club. She is a dedicated coach and teacher, immensely working to help each student reach full potential and enjoy the beautiful experience of this lifetime sport. She works with all ages and is excited to be a part of Lakewood Park Tennis Center.



## **KB Makgale**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$70/hour**

On top of teaching out of Lakewood Park Tennis Center, KB has a long history of teaching all ages and levels at Gates Tennis Center. Born in Botswana, Africa, KB's favorite sports, besides tennis, are soccer and football. KB's serve, topspin, and footwork are a few specialties, among many. KB played tennis at Metro State College of Denver. In 2008, he won the 4.5 division of the Colorado State Open. He now plays at the open level.



## **Peter Freishlag**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$65/hour**

Peter is a Chicago native who recently retired from teaching and coaching and moved to Colorado. Peter was a highly ranked junior earning a scholarship to DI Northern Illinois University (NIU) where he was an MVP, captain and an Academic All-American for the Huskies. Peter went on to hold the number one ranking in Illinois and was consistently ranked in the top ten in the Midwest in singles and doubles. Peter taught and coached for 33 years at Downers Grove South High School earning 650 career wins and was named Illinois Coach of the Year three times.

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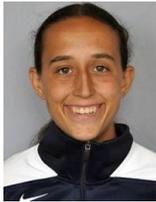
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**Kaitlin Bos**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$60/hour**

Kaitlin Bos started playing tennis at a young age in Oregon, competing in tournaments from the age of 8 Years old. After moving to Colorado, Kaitlin played four years of 5A varsity tennis, including one year of doubles (placing 3rd in State), and playing #1 singles, qualifying at State 3 years total. She went on to briefly play at the D-1 level at Utah State and played both singles and doubles for 2 years at the D-2 level at CSU Pueblo. Kaitlin has 8 years of coaching experience spending her summers teaching children and young adults, running summer camps and teams.



**Marianne Evangelista**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$55/hour**

Marianne grew up playing tennis with her family and it became a great source of fun for her. Tennis retained that sense of fun throughout her playing and coaching career. Marianne played for Metropolitan State University at the D2 level for four years. She played mostly at the #2 doubles and #2 singles positions for her team. She coached in Brighton Colorado, her hometown, for 8 summers before joining the Lakewood Park Tennis Center team. She loved sharing the joy that she has for tennis with her Brighton students and hopes to do the same for her students in Lakewood.



**Ben Soper**

**Junior Specialist and Hitting Lessons /// \$50/hour**

Although Ben was born here in Englewood, Colorado, he's lived and played tennis all over, including South Korea, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, Taiwan, and Missouri. Ben's tennis obsession has continued with consistent recreational and competitive play. Ben describes himself as taking a "progressive, analytical approach to the game" and insists that results will come naturally when the technical side is solid.



**Paula Coulter**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$66/hour**

Paula attended Denver's MSU and Odessa College in Texas. After college, she competed around the world on the WTA professional circuit and reached a WTA singles ranking high of 78th in the world. In 1976, she played in the main draw of the Australian Open. Between the Denver City Open and the Colorado State Open, Paula has 11 doubles titles, 1 singles title, and 1 mixed doubles title. She has developed a strong connection with students of all ages and abilities and looks forward to meeting new players at LPTC.



**Michael Towne**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$65/hour**

Originally hailing from Richmond, Va., Michael was crowned a Virginia State "All Prep" in high school. He also played college tennis his freshman year at Hampden Sydney College. While out on court, Michael likes to focus on strategic configurations, thinking outside the box, and considering all angles of the court. He has a calming demeanor and a knack for targeting (and then correcting) the weaknesses in a player's game. Michael also has a mediocre mid-range basketball jump shot and sub-par kickball skills (just don't tell him that).



**Kim Greason**

**Available for Private or Semi-Private Lessons /// \$65/hour**

Coach Kim Greason is a native Coloradoan, growing up in Arvada. Kim played college tennis at the University of Northern Colorado where she played her sophomore and junior years. She has been the head girls coach at Ralston Valley High School for 15 years and is a UPSTA Certified teaching pro. She currently plays at the 5.0 and championship level and carries a national ranking in 40's singles and doubles. Due to her continued competitive play, she feels her specialty is mental toughness and match strategy. However she also enjoys fine tuning and tweaking technique for players of all levels and ages.