

JOHN MACKEY AWARD

BEST COLLEGIATE TIGHT END

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2013 JOHN MACKEY AWARD PRESEASON WATCH LIST RELEASED

New York, N.Y. (July 9, 2013) – The John Mackey Award has released the 2013 John Mackey Award Preseason Watch List. Given annually to the most outstanding collegiate tight end, the award recipient is selected by vote of the John Mackey Award Selection Committee and the 2013 John Mackey recipient will be presented live on December 12, 2013 at The Home Depot College Football Awards Red Carpet Show: 6:00 p.m. ET on ESPNU. Other key dates include the announcement of the 2013 Mackey Midseason Watch List on October 14, 2013, the 2013 Mackey Semi-finalists on November 18, 2013 and the 2013 Mackey Finalists on November 25, 2013. All future announcements can be found at www.johnmackeyaward.com.

NFL Hall of Fame member John Mackey is considered to be the best to have played the tight end position. A tight end by whom all others are measured, Mackey was a role model on and off the field as demonstrated by his Super Bowl Championship, his commitment to community and his place in history as the first President of the NFLPA.

The John Mackey Award presented since 2000, lists twelve NFL players as alumni: two-time Super Bowl Champion Daniel Graham ('01), 2006 Super Bowl Champion Dallas Clark ('02), Kellen Winslow II ('03) of the New York Jets, two-time Super Bowl Champion Heath Miller ('04) of the Pittsburgh Steelers, Mercedes Lewis ('05) of the Jacksonville Jaguars, 2008 Super Bowl Champion Matt Spaeth ('06) of the of the Pittsburgh Steelers, Fred Davis ('07) of the Washington Redskins, Chase Coffman ('08) of the Atlanta Falcons, Aaron Hernandez ('09), D.J. Williams ('10) of the Green Bay Packers, Dwayne Allen ('11) of the Indianapolis Colts and the 2012 John Mackey Award recipient Tyler Eifert of the Cincinnati Bengals.

2013 John Mackey Award Preseason Watch List

(in alphabetical order)

First Name	Last Name	School	Year
Rory	Anderson	S Carolina	JR
Alex	Bayer	Bowling Green	SR
Ted	Bolser	Indiana	SR
Kyle	Carter	Penn St	SO
Gerald	Christian	Louisville	JR
Chris	Coyle	Arizona St	SR
Nexon	Dorvilus	Florida Atlantic	SR
Eric	Ebron	N Carolina	JR
Zane	Fakes	Ball St	SR

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C.J.	Fiedorowicz	Iowa	SR
Kaneakua	Friel	BYU	SR
Devin	Funchess	Michigan	SO
Crockett	Gillmore	Colorado St	SR
Xavier	Grimble	USC	JR
Jeff	Heuerman	Ohio St	JR
Gabe	Holmes	Purdue	SR
Gator	Hoskins	Marshall	SR
Marcel	Jensen	Fresno St	SR
Malcolm	Johnson	Mississippi St	JR
Luke	Kaumatule	Stanford	SO
Ben	Koyack	Notre Dame	JR
Gabe	Linehan	Boise St	SR
Colt	Lyerla	Oregon	JR
Arthur	Lynch	Georgia	SR
Jake	McGee	Virginia	JR
Jake	Murphy	Utah	JR
Jordan	Najvar	Baylor	SR
Troy	Niklas	Notre Dame	JR
Nick	O'Leary	Florida St	JR
Jacob	Pedersen	Wisconsin	SR
Austin	Seferian-Jenkins	Washington	JR
Randall	Telfer	USC	JR
C.J.	Uzomah	Auburn	JR
Brian	Vogler	Alabama	JR
Beckett	Wales	Syracuse	SR
Clive	Walford	Miami FI	JR
Asa	Watson	NC State	SR

The John Mackey Award is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA) which encompasses the most prestigious awards in college football. The 21 awards boast 678 years of tradition-selection excellence. Visit www.NCFAA.org to learn more about our story.

The members of the NCFAA are unveiling their preseason watch lists over a 12-day period this month. Fifteen of the association's 21 awards select a preseason watch list and the NCFAA has spearheaded a coordinated effort to promote each award's preseason candidates. Following is the complete 2013 preseason watch list calendar:

Mon., July 8: Bednarik Award / Maxwell Award

Tue., July 9: Mackey Award / Rimington Trophy

Wed., July 10: Lou Groza Award / Ray Guy Award

Thurs., July 11: Bronko Nagurski Trophy / Outland Trophy
Fri., July 12: Jim Thorpe Award
Mon., July 15: Butkus Award / Rotary Lombardi Award
Tue., July 16: Biletnikoff Award
Wed., July 17: Davey O'Brien Award
Thurs., July 18: Doak Walker Award
Fri., July 19: Walter Camp Award

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