

WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY

Acceptance of my entry into Metropolitan Tennis Group's Liberty Open is without assumption of responsibility of any kind by MTG, GLTA, any and all locations, New York City Parks and Recreation Department, USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, or any public or private facility, host club, committee or individuals connected with the Liberty Open.

I agree to waive any and all rights and claims for bodily and emotional injury, damage to my reputation, or any other harms that I might suffer. I understand that this tournament will be governing the discipline of players and enforcing the GLTA/USTA rules and regulations.

I also waive any and all rights to claim against MTG or any of the above organizations or individuals for damages which may arise as a result of references or photographs of me which may appear in publications or any media coverage of the tournament.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT	DATE
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IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

LIBERTY OPEN USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED	OTHER
DATE POSTMARKED	
FEE PAID	
CHECK NO.	
ENTRY NO.	

2009 LIBERTY OPEN DESIGNATED CHARITIES

WELCOME TO MCCNY HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES! We provide emergency shelter and drop-in services to homeless LGBTQ youth in New York City. A 2006 report from the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force estimates that a third of homeless youth identify as LGBT. In New York City, this means that something like 8,000 to 10,000 youth are without shelter every night. Visit www.homelessyouthservices.org for more information.

LONG ISLAND GAY AND LESBIAN YOUTH (LIGALY) is a bi-county (Nassau and Suffolk) not-for-profit organization providing education, advocacy, and social support services to Long Island's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) youth and young adults, and all youth, young adults, and their families for whom sexuality, sexual identity, gender identity, and HIV/AIDS are an issue. Our goals are to empower GLBT youth, advocate for their diverse interests, and to educate society about them. Visit www.ligaly.org for more information.

LIBERTY OPEN COMMITTEE
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NEW YORK, NY 10023

NEW YORK'S METROPOLITAN TENNIS GROUP (2008 GLTA CLUB OF THE YEAR) presents



at the
**USTA BILLIE JEAN KING
NATIONAL TENNIS CENTER**

**FRIDAY, JULY 3 –
MONDAY, JULY 6**

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**HURRY!
GET YOUR ENTRY IN BEFORE JUNE 5TH TO AVOID A LATE FEE!
FINAL DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH**

2009 LIBERTY OPEN

FRIDAY, JULY 3 – MONDAY, JULY 6

SCHEDULE: A draw party will be held Thursday evening, July 2. Play will begin at 8am, Friday, July 3. Most draws will be finished by 5pm, Monday, July 6. A banquet will be held Sunday night.

REGISTRATION: All entries, including payment, must be received by the June 5 deadline date to avoid a \$10 late fee. No telephone entries will be accepted. Entries will be accepted on a first-come basis. A waiting list will be maintained if more entries are received than can be accommodated in the tournament. Once draws are full, and previously scheduled players withdraw from the tournament, wait-listed players will become eligible to play in the tournament. Once the draw has been made, no players who would be seeded in a division will be allowed to substitute. You may not sell your spot in the draw to anyone. If you apply for entry to any doubles event indicating a partner, and your partner's application is not timely, and the draw is filled, you will be offered the choice between assignment of another partner or not playing in that draw.

CONFIRMATION: Within a few days of receipt of your application, a notice of receipt will be sent to you. A final confirmation letter will be sent by June 29 with all relevant tournament information. If you do not receive confirmation, email LibertyOpen@aol.com or call Tournament Co-Director, Marsha Silverman.

DRAW SIZE: All events will be limited to draw sizes as indicated in the division chart of the entry form. Event sizes will be adjusted according to the number of entries received in each division. The tournament committee reserves the right to combine divisions if less than four entries are received. Entrants in the division being combined will be given the choice of a refund or participation in another eligible division.

SCORING: All men's and women's singles and doubles matches will be best of three tiebreak sets. A twelve-point tiebreak will be played at six-all. All mixed doubles matches will play a super tiebreak in lieu of a third set. All singles events will have a consolation draw for those who did not win their first match. Consolation matches will be 8-game pro-set. All finals will be best of 3 tiebreak sets. The Tournament Directors reserve the right to change scoring methods if necessary.

DRAWS & REFUNDS: The draws will be made no later than one week prior to the start of the tournament. The exact draw date may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Directors. Draws and starting times will be posted at the welcoming party on July 2. Refunds will only be issued if you withdraw before the date of June 22.

ON-SITE ATTIRE: Proper tennis attire and footwear are required.

HOUSING: The 70 park avenue hotel will be the host hotel for the Liberty Open tournament this year. It is easily accessible to the #7 train at Grand Central Station which will take you directly to the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center. For exclusive Liberty Open rates, please contact Veronica Popova at 212-485-2738 or e-mail her at veronica.popova@kimptonhotels.com. Be sure to mention Liberty Open. If you still would like host housing, contact Patrick So. We will make every effort to fill all housing requests but housing will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

NSF CHECKS: Any returned check will be considered non-payment and the resulting charges incurred will be the responsibility of the player. No entry will be accepted without the proper entry fees. A position in the draw will not be held for any entry without fees, but a player can re-enter at the time full fees are received, if space is still available.

The objective of the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Alliance (GLTA) is to foster increased communication between its member organizations, to develop guidelines for use as uniform tournament standards in GLTA-sanctioned events and in the Gay Games, and to monitor and suggest improvements to these guidelines. The overriding goal of the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Alliance is to assist in better using organization resources without interfering in the autonomy of the GLTA member organizations.

CONTACTS

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ENTRY FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME	
ADDRESS		APT. NO.	
CITY	STATE	POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY

GLTA Last 6 digits of your Social Security Number or Canadian ID Number.	DAYTIME TELEPHONE
T-SHIRT SIZE A 2009 Liberty Open T-Shirt is free with each entry. Please indicate your size: <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL <input type="checkbox"/> LARGE <input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM <input type="checkbox"/> X-LARGE	EVENING TELEPHONE
	MOBILE TELEPHONE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

EVENT ENTRY

	MEN SINGLES	DOUBLES	WOMEN		MIXED DOUBLES	
			SINGLES	DOUBLES		
This division is for highly advanced tournament players and is intended for players rated in the NTRP 5.0 category and above.	OPEN DIVISION	32	16	16	8	8
This division is for advanced tournament players and is intended for players rated in the NTRP 4.5 category.	A DIVISION	64	32	16	8	16
This division is for high intermediate tournament players and is intended for players rated in the NTRP 3.5 to 4.0 categories.	B DIVISION	64	32	16	8	16
This division is for intermediate and beginning tournament players and is intended for players rated in the NTRP 3.0 category.	C DIVISION	64	32	16	8	16
This division is for beginning players with little tournament experience and is intended for players rated in the NTRP 2.0 to 2.5 categories.	D DIVISION	32	16	16	8	8

NAME OF MEN'S OR WOMEN'S DOUBLES PARTNER
<input type="checkbox"/> Please find a partner for me.

NAME OF MIXED DOUBLES PARTNER
<input type="checkbox"/> Please find a partner for me.

FEES (includes t-shirt and banquet)

<input type="checkbox"/>	ONE EVENT	\$120	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TWO EVENTS	\$145	
<input type="checkbox"/>	THREE EVENTS	\$160	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MIXED DOUBLES ONLY	\$75	
<input type="checkbox"/>	NON-PLAYER BANQUET GUEST	\$50	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DONATION TO LIGALY		
<input type="checkbox"/>	DONATION TO MCCNY		
<input type="checkbox"/>	LATE FEE (IF PAYMENT IS RECEIVED AFTER JUNE 5TH)	\$10	
			TOTAL

DEADLINE

YOUR ENTRY, INCLUDING PAYMENT, MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009 TO AVOID A LATE FEE.

MAKE CHECK
PAYABLE TO:
MTG

MAIL ENTRY AND PAYMENT TO:
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TO APPLY AND PAY ONLINE, GO TO

WWW.METROTENNISGROUP.COM

HOUSING

LOCAL CONTACT AND TELEPHONE DURING TOURNAMENT

NEED HOUSING? Yes No

HAVE A CAR? Yes No

HOUSING IN NEW YORK CITY IS LIMITED. IT WILL BE PROVIDED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

FOR HOW MANY PEOPLE?
ARRIVE ON
LEAVE ON

WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY

YOU MUST SIGN THE WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY WHICH APPEARS ON THE NEXT PAGE TO PARTICIPATE IN 2009 LIBERTY OPEN

