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2023 Bevo Francis Top 50 Watch List Announced

Kansas City, MO – Small College Basketball and the National Awards Committee are extremely excited to announce the Bevo Francis Top 50 Watch List for the 2022-23 season. The Top 50 Watch List consists of some of the top players from NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III, NAIA, USCAA and NCCAA. John McCarthy had this to say about this year's Top 50 Watch List:

"Congratulations to the 50 players on this prestigious list," stated McCarthy. "There are approximately 13,000-16,000 players that compete at the small college levels; as such, this is a very elite list. Thank you to our National Awards Committee for all of their insight and guidance on the creation of this list."

The Clarence "Bevo" Francis Award is presented annually to the player who has had the finest overall season within Small College Basketball. Considerations will be season statistics and individual achievements, awards, personal character and team achievements. This is an incredibly prestigious award, as this award will only be given to one player within Small College Basketball per season.

2023 marks the seventh year of the Bevo Francis Award. Past winners include Dominez Burnett of Davenport University in 2016, Justin Pitts of Northwest Missouri State University in 2017, Emanuel Terry of Lincoln Memorial University in 2018, Aston Francis of Wheaton College in 2019, Kyle Mangas of Indiana Wesleyan University in 2020 and Trevor Hudgins of Northwest Missouri State University in 2022. The award was not presented during the 2021 season.

On March 15th, the list will be reduced to the Top 25 players. On April 1st, the finalists of this year's award will be announced, followed by the Bevo Francis Award winner being crowned on April 3rd.

The Bevo Francis Awards Committee consists of the following coaches: Gary Stewart – Stevenson (MD), Chris Briggs – Georgetown College (KY), Bill Dreikosen – Rocky Mountain (MT), Mark Berokoff – Oklahoma City, Mike Donnelly – Florida Southern, Sam Hargraves – Olivet, Stephen Brennan – Babson, Richard Westerlund – Great Lakes Christian, Chase Teichmann – Florida College, Aaron Siebenthal – Ottawa (KS), Tae Norwood – Humboldt State, Mark Vanderslice – USC-Aiken, Grant Leep, Seattle Pacific, Matt O'Brien – Southwestern (KS), Chris Wright – Langston (OK), Nathan Champion – LeMoyne.

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2022-23 Bevo Francis Award Top 50 Watch List

Kaden Anderson	6'8"	Sr.	Point Loma Nazarene
Josh Angle	6'3"	Sr.	Claremont-Mudd-Scripts
Raheem Anthony	6'4"	Sr.	St. Mary's (MN)
Diego Bernard	6'0"	Sr.	NW MO State
Jesse Bingham	6'6"	So.	Indianapolis
Octavio Brito	6'4"	So.	Keene State
Jalen Brooks	6'5"	Sr.	LSU-Shreveport
Anthony Brown	6'5"	Sr.	MidAmerica Nazarene
Julius Brown	5'10"	Sr.	West Texas A&M
Bryce Butler	6'5"	Jr.	West Liberty
Frank Champion	6'7"	So.	North Georgia
Luke Chicone	5'10"	So.	John Carroll
Jack Clement	6'0"	Sr.	Ohio Wesleyan
Tyshaun Crawford	7'1"	Sr.	Augusta
Tyson Cruickshank	5'11"	Sr.	Wheaton (IL)
Cole Frilling	6'6"	Sr.	Case Western Reserve
Zach Goodline	6'1"	Sr.	Huntington
Tristan Harper	6'6"	Sr.	Langston
Jahn Hines	6'4"	Jr.	Christopher Newport
Jarred Houston	6'10"	Sr.	Emerson
Jeff Hunter	6'7"	Sr.	Keene State
Josiah Johnson	6'1"	Sr.	Mary Hardin Baylor
Reid Jolly	6'5"	Jr.	Thomas More
KJ Jones	6'6"	Jr.	Emmanuel (GA)
Shawndale Jones	6'3"	Sr.	IUP
Brandon Knapper	6'0"	Sr.	Cal State San Bernardino
Akuel Kot	6'2"	Jr.	Fort Lewis
Zach Laput	6'4"	Jr.	Bentley
Peter Lash	6'6"	So.	Nebraska Wesleyan
Jaden Lietzke	6'7"	Jr.	Oklahoma Wesleyan
Drew Lutz	6'1"	Sr.	Bethel (IN)
Miles Mallory	6'5"	Jr.	Randolph-Macon
Sam Masten	6'2"	Sr.	Northern State
Seth Maxwell	7'0"	Sr.	Indiana Wesleyan
Riley Minix	6'7"	Sr.	Southeastern (FL)
Brendan Mora	6'5"	Sr.	Pomona-Pitzer
Robert Osborne	6'5"	Sr.	Virginia Union
Jalen Overway	6'9"	Fr.	Calvin
Christian Parker	6'6"	Jr.	Mount Union
Carlos Pepin	6'7"	Sr.	East Stroudsburg
Chase Rankin	6'1"	Sr.	Lincoln Memorial
Tyler Schmidt	6'4"	Jr.	Olivet Nazarene
Joel Scott	6'7"	Sr.	Black Hills State
Matt Simpson	6'1"	Sr.	Florida College

Alex Sobel	6'8"	Sr.	Middlebury
RJ Sunahara	6'8"	Jr.	Nova Southeastern
Blaise Threatt	6'3"	So.	CO Mesa
Markelle Turner	6'2"	Jr.	Union (KY)
Mason Walters	6'9"	Sr.	Jamestown
Jaden Wells	6'1"	So.	Central Oklahoma