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West Florida's Shakira Duncan Headlines Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America Team

SAN ANGELO, Texas --- Undeclared University of West Florida placed five first team selections, including the National Player of the Year, and two second team picks as the Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America Teams were announced on Tuesday.

Junior forward **Shakira Duncan** was honored as the recipient of the Ron Lenz National Player of the Year Award and was joined on the first team by senior forward **Shaneka Gordon**, last year's Player of the Year, senior midfielders **Dernelle Mascall** and **Marcelo Franco** and senior defender **Shameka Gordon**. Both Gordon sisters and Franco were repeat first team selections this fall. UWF added senior goalkeeper **Courtney Jones** and senior defender **Kaley Morris** on the second team.

Duncan, a 5-5 native of Kingston, Jamaica, leads NCAA D-II with 32 goals entering this weekend's national semifinals. She adds 12 assists for a division-best 77 points. Duncan was named first team All-Gulf South Conference and was named to the league's All-Tournament Team before collecting Daktronics South Regional Player of the Year honors.

Another national semifinalist, Grand Valley State, had two first team picks in senior defender **Natalja Stanski**, a repeat selection from last year, and sophomore defender **Megan Brown**. Other first team selections were freshman goalkeeper **Lyndsie Bernardini** from West Chester, senior forward **Kristin Burton** from Armstrong Atlantic State, senior forward **Kayla Mitchell** from Colorado Mines, senior midfielder **Gabriela Demoner** from Franklin Pierce, freshman midfielder **Elizabeth Hawes** from Lenoir-Rhyne and sophomore defender **Courtney Ryan** from Metropolitan State.

Sports information directors from NCAA D-II schools and conferences selected the three Daktronics All-America teams. The process begins at the regional level with all first team all-region picks advancing to the national ballot. This is the fourth year Daktronics has sponsored the NCAA D-II Women's Soccer All-America and all-region teams. A total of 39 student-athletes representing 23 different institutions filled out the three teams.

The team is sponsored by *Daktronics, Inc.*, an acknowledged world leader in scoring, timing and programmable display systems for virtually every sport at every level of competition. The team is voted on by the members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

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2009 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America First Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
GK	Lyndsie Bernardini	West Chester	Fr.	5-10	Elmer, N.J.
F	Kristin Burton***	Armstrong Atlantic State	Sr.	5-8	Ocala, Fla.
F	Shakira Duncan#	West Florida	Jr.	5-5	Kingston, Jamaica
F	Shaneka Gordon*	West Florida	Sr.	5-7	Old Harbour, Jamaica
F	Kayla Mitchell	Colorado Mines	Sr.	5-3	Ontario, Ore.
MF	Gabriela Demoner**	Franklin Pierce	Sr.	5-6	Vitoria, Brazil
MF	Elizabeth Hawes	Lenoir-Rhyne	Fr.	5-7	Valdese, N.C.
MF	Marcelo Franco*	West Florida	Sr.	5-5	Sao Paulo, Brazil
MF	Dernelle Mascall	West Florida	Sr.	5-8	Basse Terre, Trinidad
D	Megan Brown	Grand Valley State	So.	5-6	Jenison, Mich.
D	Shameka Gordon*	West Florida	Sr.	5-5	Old Harbour, Jamaica
D	Courtney Ryan	Metropolitan State	So.	5-3	Chula Vista, Calif.
D	Natalja Stanski*	Grand Valley State	Sr.	5-8	Tecumseh, Ontario

2009 Daktronics Player of the Year

2009 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America Second Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
GK	Courtney Jones**	West Florida	Sr.	5-7	Panama City, Fla.
F	Angelika Johansson*	Franklin Pierce	Jr.	5-4	Falkenberg, Sweden
F	Becca Mays***	Metropolitan State	Sr.	5-8	San Antonio, Texas
F	Chloe Roberts	North Alabama	Fr.	5-5	Plymouth, England
F	Lauren Strudivant	Winona State	Jr.	5-4	Eagan, Minn.
MF	Nikki Brown	North Alabama	Fr.	5-9	Bognor Regis, England
MF	Clare Dahmen	Minnesota-Duluth	Sr.	5-5	Hopkins, Minn.
MF	Lindsay McHorse	West Texas A&M	So.	5-4	Georgetown, Texas
MF	Margaret Porter	Dominican (N.Y.)	Jr.	5-3	Neptune, N.J.
D	Jenna Arnold	West Chester	Jr.	5-7	Winslow, N.J.
D	Kelly Guerin	St. Rose	Jr.	5-8	Sutton, Mass.
D	Kaley Morris	West Florida	Sr.	5-6	Gulf Breeze, Fla.
D	Meagan Thomas	Rollins	Jr.	5-6	Ponte Vedra, Fla.

2009 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America Third Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
GK	Hannah Bengtson	Minnesota-Duluth	Jr.	5-11	Lino Lakes, Minn.
F	Nicole Baier	Nebraska-Omaha	Fr.	5-8	Omaha, Neb.
F	Kara Houston	Wheeling Jesuit	Jr.	5-5	Washington, Pa.
F	Liz Franco	Cal. State-Los Angeles	Jr.	5-8	Oceanside, Calif.
F	Kelly Lyons	Georgian Court	So.	5-6	Jackson, N.J.
MF	Jamie MacArthur	Fort Lewis	Sr.	5-5	Albuquerque, N.M.
MF	Erin Mruz	Grand Valley State	So.	5-6	Gurnee, Ill.
MF	Vickie Rich	Lees-McRae	So.	5-2	Arlington Heights, Ill.
MF	Emma Woolley	Bridgeport	Sr.	5-4	Sheffield, England
D	Kathryn Gosztyla	Metropolitan State	Sr.	5-7	Orangevale, Calif.
D	Alli Miller	Central Oklahoma	Sr.	5-1	Norman, Okla.
D	Cindi Nickels	West Chester	Jr.	5-9	Baltimore, Md.
D	Rachel Smith***	Franklin Pierce	Sr.	5-9	Chichester, N.H.

* first team selection from 2008

** second team selection from 2008

*** third team selection from 2008

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2009 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-America Honorable Mention

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
GK	Jamie Gillis	Massachusetts-Lowell	Sr.	5-9	North Billerica, Mass.
GK	Kelly Skehan	West Texas A&M	Jr.	5-7	Klein, Texas
F	Jenna Boyko	Quincy	Sr.	5-6	St. Charles, Mo.
F	Jocelyn Charette	Seattle Pacific	Sr.	5-10	Lakewood, Wash.
F	Irie Dennis	Grand Valley State	Sr.	5-5	New Albany, Ohio
F	Hannah Dozier	Texas-Permian Basin	So.	5-6	Midland, Texas
F	Laura Leber	Minnesota State-Mankato	Jr.	5-3	Council Bluffs, Iowa
MF	Rachel Jakubowski	Rollins	Sr.	5-8	Winter Park, Fla.
MF	Amanda Matthews	Cal. State-Los Angeles	Sr.	5-2	San Jose, Calif.
MF	Morgan Mitchell	Armstrong Atlantic State	Fr.	5-9	Lilburn, Ga
MF	Meredith Novak	Wisconsin-Parkside	Sr.	5-5	Batavia, Ill.
MF	Gina Paletta	Minnesota State-Mankato	Sr.	5-7	Omaha, Neb.
D	Lindsay Catton	Sonoma State	Sr.	5-8	Rohnert Park, Calif.
D	Melissa Morris	Carson-Newman	Jr.	5-5	Sweetwater, Tenn.
D	Caitlin Mullady	C.W. Post	Sr.	5-4	Hauppauge, N.Y.
D	Paige Peel	Cal. State-Dominguez Hills	So.	5-7	Bakersfield, Calif.
D	Taylor Sawyer	Seattle Pacific	Fr.	5-5	Gig Harbor, Wash.

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2009 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-Region Teams

ATLANTIC

GK Lyndsie Bernardini, West Chester
F Amanda Heister, California
F *Kara Houston, Wheeling Jesuit
F Gemma Nortcliffe, Concord
F Sarah Oswald, West Chester
MF Devon Miniscalco, East Stroudsburg
MF Jen Hutchinson, West Chester
MF Megan Beal, Davis & Elkins
MF Heather Robbins, Indiana
D Jenna Arnold, West Chester
D Chelsea Deeter, Kutztown
D Megan Jackson, Alderson-Broadbudd
D Cindi Nickels, West Chester

CENTRAL

GK Hannah Bengtson, Minnesota-Duluth
F *Kayla Mitchell, Colorado Mines
F Becca Mays, Metropolitan State
F Lauren Sturdivant, Winona State
F Laura Leber, Minnesota State-Mankato
MF Clare Dahmen, Minnesota-Duluth
MF Marissa Davis, Regis
MF Jamie MacArthur, Fort Lewis
MF Gina Paletta, Minnesota State-Makato
D Joanna Drennen, Mary
D Kathryn Gosztyla, Metropolitan State
D Courtney Ryan, Metropolitan State
D Nichole Kluk, Fort Lewis

EAST

GK Jamie Gillis, Massachusetts-Lowell
F Angelika Johansson, Franklin Pierce
F Kelly Lyons, Georgian Court
F Gabrielle Gramprey, Merrimack
F Vanessa Moreira, Dowling
MF *Gabriela Demoner, Franklin Pierce
MF Margaret Porter, Dominican (N.Y.)
MF Ariel Teixeira, Southern New Hampshire
MF Emma Woolley, Bridgeport
D Kelly Guerin, St. Rose
D Meghan McCusker, Holy Family
D Caitlin Mullady, C.W. Post
D Rachel Smith, Franklin Pierce

MIDWEST

GK Jessie Sanderson, Drury
F *Jenna Boyko, Quincy
F Ashley Botts, Grand Valley State
F Irie Dennis, Grand Valley State
F Nicole Williams, Drury
MF Amanda Mason, Northern Kentucky
MF Erin Mruz, Grand Valley State
MF Meredith Novak, Wisconsin-Parkside
MF Samantha Echols, Saginaw Valley State
D Abby Schuhman, Bellarmine
D Megan Brown, Grand Valley State
D Natalja Stanski, Grand Valley State
D Kristi Hofmeyer, Northern Kentucky

SOUTH

GK Courtney Jones, West Florida
F *Shakira Duncan, West Florida
F Shaneka Gordon, West Florida
F Melissa Ortiz, Lynn
F Chloe Roberts, North Alabama
MF Nikki Brown, North Alabama
MF Marcela Franco, West Florida
MF Rachel Jakubowski, Rollins
MF Dernelle Mascall, West Florida
D Shameka Gordon, West Florida
D Kaley Morris, West Florida
D Charlotte Murrell, Rollins
D Meagan Thomas, Rollins

SOUTHEAST

F *Kristin Burton, Armstrong Atlantic State
F Connie Axiotis, Belmont Abbey
F Tenna Howell, Carson-Newman
F Gina Goforth, Columbus State
MF Elizabeth Hawes, Lenoir-Rhyne
MF Vickie Rich, Lees-McRae
MF Morgan Mitchell, Armstrong Atlantic State
MF Maria Borland, Catawba
D Alexa Baird, Catawba
D Catherine Hauck, Lenoir-Rhyne
D Melissa Morris, Carson-Newman
D Casey Smith, North Georgia
GK Mary Rob Plunkett, Georgia College

SOUTH CENTRAL

GK Kelly Skehan, West Texas A&M.
F *Nicole Baier, Nebraska-Omaha
F Megan Lasley, Texas A&M Commerce
F Sarah Hernandez, Incarnate Word
F Hannah Dozier, Texas-Permian Basin
MF Lindsay McHorse, West Texas A&M
MF Lianah Flores, Incarnate Word
MF Amanda Knabe, Newman
MF Kari Bristow, Midwestern State
D Alli Miller, Central Oklahoma
D Alex Podowski, St. Edward's
D Olivia Collado, St. Edward's
D Theresa Bauler, Truman State.

WEST

GK Kristin Armstrong, UC San Diego
F *Liz Franco, Cal. State-Los Angeles
F Jocelyn Charette, Seattle Pacific
F Alex Conley, Cal. State-Los Angeles
F Jessica Murphy, Cal. State-Dominguez Hills
MF Ali Sward, Chico State
MF Anne Wethe, UC San Diego
MF Kelsey Jenkins, Seattle Pacific
MF Amanda Matthews, Cal. State-Los Angeles
D Caroline Hanna, Cal. State-Los Angeles
D Lindsay Catton, Sonoma State
D Taylor Sawyer, Seattle Pacific
D Paige Peele, Cal. State Dominguez Hills

* Region Player of the Year