



THE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

BOB COUSY
AWARD

Basketball Hall of Fame Names Twenty Point Guards to Watch List for 2020 Bob Cousy Award

Starting Five Fan Voting Presented by Dell Technologies to go Live on Friday, October 18

Springfield, Mass. (Oct. 14, 2019) — The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame announced today the 20 watch list candidates for the *2020 Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award*. Named after Class of 1971 Hall of Famer and former Boston Celtic and Holy Cross guard Bob Cousy, the annual honor now in its seventeenth year recognizes the top point guards in Division I men's college basketball. A national committee of top college basketball personnel determined the watch list of 20 candidates.

"Since 2004, the Hall of Fame has had the honor of bestowing the Bob Cousy Award on the best point guards in the collegiate game, forming an amazing list of award winners who have gone on to have tremendous success at the professional level," said John L. Doleva, President and CEO of the Basketball Hall of Fame. "This year, we are excited to announce Starting Five Fan Voting presented by Dell Technologies, which will allow fans to voice their opinions and support their favorite players in each of the three rounds. We greatly appreciate the support of Dell Technologies, the fans, our selection committee and the namesake of the award, Mr. Bob Cousy."

Bob Cousy played for Holy Cross from 1946-1950 winning an NCAA Championship in 1947. He was named a Consensus First-Team All-American in 1950. His success continued at the professional level as a six-time NBA Champion (1957, 1959-1963), NBA Most Valuable Player (1957) and 13-time NBA All-Star (1951-63). In 1996, he was named a member of the NBA's 50th Anniversary All-Time Team.

New to the award this season is Fan Voting presented by Dell Technologies in each of the three rounds. By mid-February, the watch list of 20 players for the 2020 Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award will be narrowed to just 10. In March, five finalists will be presented to Mr. Cousy and the Hall of Fame's selection committee. The winner of the 2020 Bob Cousy Award will be presented at *The College Basketball Awards presented by Wendy's* in Los Angeles, CA on Friday, April 10, 2020, along with the other four members of the Men's Starting Five.

Additional awards being presented and receiving support from Eaton Ephesus Lighting include the Jerry West Shooting Guard Award, the Julius Erving Small Forward Award, the Karl Malone Power Forward Award and the Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Center Award, in addition to the Women's Starting Five. Broadcast information will be released by ESPN at a later date.

Previous winners of the Bob Cousy Award include **Ja Morant**, Murray State (2019), **Jalen Brunson**, Villanova (2018), **Frank Mason III**, Kansas (2017), **Tyler Ulis**, Kentucky (2016), **Delon Wright**, Utah (2015), **Shabazz Napier**, Connecticut (2014), **Trey Burke**, Michigan (2013), **Kendall Marshall**, North Carolina (2012), **Kemba Walker**, Connecticut (2011), **Greivis Vasquez**, Maryland (2010), **Ty Lawson**, North Carolina (2009), **DJ Augustin**, Texas (2008), **Acie Law**, Texas A & M (2007), **Dee Brown**, Illinois (2006), **Raymond Felton**, North Carolina (2005) and **Jameer Nelson**, St. Joseph's (2004).

For more information on the 2020 Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award and the latest updates, log onto www.hoophallawards.com and follow @hoophall on Twitter and Instagram. **Starting Five Fan Voting presented by Dell Technologies will go live on Friday, October 18.**

2020 Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award Candidates*

Remy Martin	Arizona State
McKinley Wright IV	Colorado
Tre Jones	Duke
Andrew Nembhard	Florida
Trent Forrest	Florida St.
Bryce Aiken	Harvard
Ayo Dosunmu	Illinois
Devon Dotson	Kansas
Ashton Hagans	Kentucky
Markus Howard	Marquette
Anthony Cowan	Maryland
Zavier Simpson	Michigan
Cassius Winston	Michigan State
Cole Anthony	North Carolina
Payton Pritchard	Oregon
Jordan Ford	Saint Mary's
Lamonte' Turner	Tennessee
Davide Moretti	Texas Tech
Marcus Evans	VCU
Kihei Clark	Virginia

Players can play their way onto and off of the list at any point in the 2019-20 season

About the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame

Located in Springfield, Massachusetts, the city where basketball was born, the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame is an independent non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting, preserving and celebrating the game of basketball at every level – men and women, amateur and professional players, coaches and contributors, both domestically and internationally. The Hall of Fame museum is home to more than 400 inductees and over 40,000 square feet of basketball history. Nearly 200,000 people visit the Hall of Fame museum each year to learn about the game, experience the interactive exhibits and test their skills on the Jerry Colangelo "Court of Dreams." Best known for its annual marquee Enshrinement Ceremony honoring the game's elite, the Hall of Fame also operates over 70 high school and collegiate competitions annually throughout the country and abroad. For more information on the Basketball Hall of Fame organization, its museum and events, visit www.hoophall.com, follow @hoophall and #CousyAward or call 1-877-4HOOPLA.

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