

✨ Huntington State Beach Lifeguard Association • Lifeguard Awards ≈

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2026	Max Voci-Machado	Rocco Bollini	Gare Bernard	Jovanni Page	Unknown	Teddy Flores	Kyle Marshall	Everett Wilson
2025	Ruka Gorordo	Michael Sorenson	Riley Catino	Levi Kuebler	Unknown	Tyler Dodge	Teddy Flores	
2024	Tyler Dodge	Teddy Flores	Emme Fischer	Ethan Hutchinson	Michael Olsberg	Sarah Barker	Eli Ortega	
2023	Jayden Sandoval	Sean Steffen	Ruka Gorodo	Rachel Kowalchick	Unknown	Rycker Grindstaff	Tate Stonerock	
2022	Nick Ross	Cory Welman	Paul Bartley	Donald Drake	Michael Olsberg	Cole Nelson	Tate Stonerock	
2021	Patrick Angelovic	Rycker Grindstaff	Sean Steffen	Montana White	Mitch Colapinto- San Clemente	Bella Bardeen	John Prichard	
2020	Cole Nelson	Chad Portugal	Danny Gonzalez	Roderick Mendenhall	David Breen- San Clemente	Brandon Duarte	Kent Mertins	
2019	Brandon Duarte	Brenden Sallstrom	Casey Lait	Braden Powers	Isaac Desoto- San Diego North	Josua Raymond	Daniel Valenzuela	
2018	Codey Casper	Tristan Traub	Nathan Bishop	Rycker Grindstaff	Alec Fletes- San Clemente	Jennifer Marshall	Kevin Scholz	
2017	Codey Casper	Dalton Kenefick	Daniel Isaacson	Cole Nelson	Mike Martino- Retired Perm	James Markham	Bret Woodley	
2016	Casey Lysdale	James Markham	Trevor Beckor	Jacob Caminero	Paul Carey	Andy Cox	Matt Fockler	
2015	Sebastian Louda	Bret Woodley	Shane Johnson	Scott Styles	Dalton Kenefick	John Rodgers	Nick Sterrenburg	
2014	Gage Fisher	Scott Underhill	Garrett Postiff	Josua Raymond	Sebastian Louda	Aristotle DeLeon	Nick Sterrenburg	
2013	Ryan Mitchell	John Prichard	Dylan Aragon	Kyle Crossen	Sebastian Louda	Derek Mouradian Heather Thomson Teag Turner		
2012	Dane Julien	Giovanni Mola	Nick Boyd	Jennifer Marshall	John Prichard	Heather Thomson	Gary Willems	

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2011	Teag Turner Lance Unrau	Gregory Carter Cameran Faris	Brendon Beer	Sean McAlister John Rodgers	
2010	Kyle Celinder Matt Fockler	Kirk Blackman Jonathan Scully	Christopher Dall	Diego Busatto Pedro Jiron Alex Messina	
2009	Gray Lange Sean McAlister	Tom Dixon Benjamin Wacker	Rick Graves	Jeff Kennedy Tyler McGee	
2008	Aristotle DeLeon Trent Gilmore	Kenneth Reid Kevin Schiffmacher	Marc Eskes	Craig Lumb Todd Shanklin	
2007	Keith Dixon James Howarth	Clinton McBride Jake Zerbe	Brendon Beer	Chris Halsted Leo Oorts	
2006	Kyle Celinder Alex Messina	Tyler Allen Taylor Kooiman	Jan Patrick Solanet- <i>San Diego</i>	Julie Beeles John Rodgers	
2005	James Howarth Jeff Kennedy	Michael Eastman Travis King	Bryan Etnyre		
2004	Lucas Emhof Kathleen Snow	Hank Hymanson Stuart Tyson	Bobby Eastman		
2003	Marcos Emhof Jeff Martin	Bobby Currie Joe Katchka	Tom Barnett- <i>San Clemente</i>		
2002	Marcos Emhof Mike Rustemeyer	Darren Lopez Kin Wong	Cody Tague		
2001	Chris Egan Allison Hilgers	Ryan Gaglio Matt Lawrence	Tom Barnett- <i>San Clemente</i>		
2000	Emily Hagen Cory Tague	Mike Rustemeyer	Brandon Chapman- <i>Ventura</i>		
1999	Scott Deboer Matthew Kelso Kathleen Snow	Aristotle Deleon Dan Hovarka Chris Thompson	UNK		
1998	Chris Egan John Rodgers Guy Souza	Allison Hilgers	UNK		
1997	Duane Sweeton	Lexi Jones Taylor Jones	Bob Dolan		
1996	Dan Chuntz Terry Romine	Unknown	Taylor Woods		

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1995	Chris Egan Hal Nickles	Unknown	Buzz Marcovici		
1994	Chris Prussak Brad Silver	Jason Casalicchio Damien Walters	UNK		
1993	Rob Carter Bob Dolan Stephen Mauger	Scott Bowen Steven Johnson Buzz Marcovici	UNK		
1992	Dan Arcese Bill Babashoff John Magner Dan Raducanu Tim Ryder Sue Stewart	Paul Barnes Jason Gonterman K. Winslow	UNK		
1991	Rob Carter Randy Roberts Jeff Lung Sean Steimle John Magner	Matt Kelso Matt Maxwell Brian Slattery	UNK		
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1989	Steven Hawkins Leon Pickens John Hochadel Bill Pfeiffer Duncan McCulloch	Hal Nickles Dan Raducanu Kurt Steinmetz	Bram Tester		
1988	Clark Griffith Dan Kneafsey Mike Starkweather Jay Miller	Rob Carter Chad Ellis Maryann Lughermo	UNK		
1987	Dane DeBoer Clark Griffith Barrett Tester Dan Kennedy	Pedro Jiron	UNK		
1986	Dane DeBoer Brian Matthews Paul Shubin	John Magner Paul Swain	UNK		
1985	Kris Emery Brian Matthews	Dave Cienski Nick Cupaiolo	UNK		
1984	Steven C. Hicks Steve Karrington Rich Rozzelle Greg Reese	John Caskey Dan Hemenway Barrett Tester Jay Miller	UNK		
1983	John Chavez Bob Dolan Steven C. Hicks Scott Gardner	Dick DeBoer Tom Janczur Tim Stanford	Bill Babashoff		
1982	Jeff Ammann Tony Rawlings Chirs Vargas	Colleen Curry Paul Hamdorf Scott Matsuda	UNK		
1981	Neil Macready Carl Peterson	Bob Dolan Rich Rozzelle	UNK		
1980	Ron Gamble Sean McCraney	Randy Butler Rick Wackerbarth	UNK		

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1976	UNK	UNK	Larry Polte		
1975	UNK	UNK	Jim Hardie		
1974	UNK	UNK	Tim Harvey		
1973	UNK	UNK	Ken Burton		
1972	UNK	UNK	Steve Shaw		
1971	UNK	UNK	UNK		
1970	UNK	UNK	Larry Helland		
1969	Jerry McGraw	UNK	John Kiddie		
1968	UNK	UNK	UNK		
1967	David Kelly	UNK	UNK		
1966	Don Millers	UNK	UNK		
1965	Bob Herman	UNK	UNK		