



## **Michael Chang & Kei Nishikori Compete for Charity In World Class Tennis Doubles Pro Exhibition on July 20, 2019**

**2019 Michael Chang Tennis Classic to Benefit HomeAid OC and Chang Family Foundation,  
Expected to Raise \$100,000+**

Newport Beach, Calif., July 2019 – World champion tennis players Michael Chang and Kei Nishikori will compete in a World Class Doubles Pro Exhibition to raise funds for HomeAid Orange County and the Chang Family Foundation. Chang became the youngest male player to win a Grand Slam singles title when he won the French Open in 1989 at 17. Nishikori is the Number 6 professional tennis player worldwide. Chang has served as Nishikori's coach since 2014.

Being held from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Sat., July 20, 2019, the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Michael Chang Tennis Classic (MCTC) fundraiser event includes the professional exhibition match as well as a USC vs. UCLA undercard match and top sponsor tennis. It is being held at the Newport Beach Tennis Club, 2601 Eastbluff Drive, Newport Beach. General admission tickets are \$50 online and \$60 at the door. Food and drinks are available for purchase. Autograph opportunity at the end of the professional exhibition match.

“We are very proud to support HomeAid, which is devoted to building new lives for homeless families and individuals in Orange County through housing and community outreach,” said Michael Chang. “The Chang Family Foundation is an extension of the Chang family’s faith leading them to serve people in need and giving them hope for a better tomorrow.”

MCTC is seeking sponsorships which range from \$1,000-\$12,500, and silent auction donations. To sponsor or donate, contact Rebecca Brown, MCTC Director of Programs and Community Outreach, at [rebecca@mchang.com](mailto:rebecca@mchang.com) or 949-858-7300.

**About Michael Chang Tennis Classic - [www.ChangTennis.com](http://www.ChangTennis.com)**

The annual Michael Chang Tennis Classic is California’s most popular adult USTA tennis tournaments bringing people together for great competition and fun on the courts! The Chang Classic is a wonderful avenue that allows the Chang Family Foundation to connect with the

Southern California tennis community while raising funds for the work of the foundation and HomeAid OC. The Chang Classic is more than a weekend tennis tournament, it's a two-weekend event that gives tennis players opportunities to compete, improve their tennis skills, make new friends, and be encouraged in life. The tournament is held every July in Newport Beach.

**About HomeAid Orange County – [www.HomeAidOC.org](http://www.HomeAidOC.org)**

HomeAid Orange County is a nonprofit organization that has been developing housing for those experiencing homelessness since 1989. Funding from this year's tennis tournament will help move HomeAid's mission forward through housing projects that assist families and individuals as they prepare to move out of homelessness and into long term stable housing. Learn more at [homeaidoc.org](http://homeaidoc.org).

### **About the Exhibition Match Players**

**Kei Nishikori** is World #4 professional tennis player. He is the only male Japanese tennis player ever to be ranked inside the top 5 in ATP Singles Ranking. Nishikori began playing tennis at five years old and qualified for his first ATP main draw event at the Countrywide Classic in Los Angeles at 17. Nishikori was named ATP Newcomer of the Year in 2008 and has won 11 singles titles. He was runner-up at the 2014 US Open which made him the first-ever male player from an Asian country to reach a Grand Slam singles final. Nishikori also became the first man from Asia to qualify for the ATP World Tour Finals having reached the semi-finals in 2014.

**Michael Chang** is an American tennis player who became the youngest male player to win a Grand Slam singles title when he won the French Open in 1989 at 17. Known for his on-court speed and fighting spirit, Chang is considered by many observers to have been one of the best defensive baseliners of all time. He also introduced the jumping two-handed backhand. Notably, Chang was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 2008. Since 2014, Chang has served as coach for Kei Nishikori.

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