

World Golf Hall of Fame

Open since 1998, the World Golf Hall of Fame's mission is to honor and celebrate golf's greatest players and contributors. Supported by the world's leading golf organizations, the Hall of Fame combines historic artifacts and personal memorabilia with interactive exhibits to tell the stories of the Hall of Fame members and the history of the game. The Hall of Fame is located at World Golf Village in St. Augustine, Fla.

Hall of Fame Induction Process Each year, the World Golf Hall of Fame welcomes a new class of members during an Induction Ceremony that airs on Golf Channel. The 2009 Hall of Fame Induction ceremony will be conducted Monday, Nov. 2.

There are five opportunities for a player or contributor to be inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame: PGA Tour/Champions Tour ballot, International ballot, LPGA Point System, Lifetime Achievement and Veteran's categories.

Various criteria is set up for players to be eligible for the PGA Tour/Champions Tour and International ballots, including an age requirement of at least 40 years old and a career performance that includes a substantial amount of regular tournament victories and majors.

The LPGA Point System requires a player to be an active member of the LPGA Tour for 10 years and to have won either an LPGA major tournament, Vare Trophy or Rolex Player of the Year honors, plus a number of other tournament victories.

Nominations for the Lifetime Achievement are made by the International Voting Body Members. This category is designed for those whose primary role in the game has come from outside the playing arena. The World Golf Foundation's Board of Directors decides this category each year.

Any professional or amateur player whose playing career concluded at least 30 years ago is eligible for selection through the Veteran's Category. The World Golf Foundation's Board of Directors also determines those persons selected for this category each year.

The Museum Guests of the World Golf Hall of Fame are greeted with the fascinating and comprehensive tale of golf's history and its development from the cradle in Scotland through its growth to the far reaches of the world. An exhibit in this area focuses on the role of The R & A, the history of The Open Championship, golf's longest running major, and The Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

The Hall of Fame members' stories are referenced throughout the museum, though their true home is in the center of the museum, where an extraordinary "Wall of Fame" donning hand-crafted bronze relief plaques of each member extends an entire wall, representing the current 126 members.

As a fitting tribute to the highest achievement in golf, significant tournament trophies, including men's and women's majors, are artfully displayed in the Hall of Fame Tower.

Perhaps the museum's true treasure trove is the Member Locker Room exhibit, which showcases more than 2,000 artifacts from Hall of Fame members around the world.

Guests have the opportunity to sink a long putt on a modern tournament-style putting green under the lights and cameras of a Shell's Wonderful World of Golf match and video is featured throughout the museum, including a theater offering great championship moment highlights.

Inductee Exhibits Each year the Hall of Fame showcases the stories and supporting memorabilia from the current year's class of inductees. On display from the 2008 Class are exhibits for Sir Bob Charles, Pete Dye, Denny Shute, Carol Semple Thompson, Herbert Warren Wind and Craig Wood.

Bob Hope: "Shanks for the Memory" Offering the largest collection of Bob Hope memorabilia ever placed on public display, "Bob Hope: Shanks for the Memory" features rich storytelling alongside more than 400 artifacts and 300 photos placed throughout a variety of stories designed to reflect the different eras and locations significant to Hope's life, including England, Cleveland, New York, Hollywood, Palm Springs, Washington, D.C., and USO show sites around the world.

Naturally, the exhibit also looks at the many ways Hope championed the game of golf, including the development and hosting of the PGA Tour's Bob Hope Classic Hosted by Arnold Palmer, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2009.

Founding Partner As sole founding partner of the World Golf Hall of Fame, The First Tee and World Golf Village, Shell Oil Company provides financial support for the organization's charitable initiatives.



Pete Dye, 2008 World Golf Hall of Fame inductee.

World Golf Hall of Fame Membership World Golf Hall of Fame Inductees (1974-1982) The PGA World Golf Hall of Fame (1982-1993) (Pinehurst, N.C.)

Willie Anderson (1975)	Bobby Locke (1977)
Tommy Armour (1976)	Nancy Lopez (1989)
John Ball (1977)	Cary Middlecoff (1986)
Jim Barnes (1989)	Tom Morris, Jr. (1975)
Patty Berg (1974)	Tom Morris, Sr. (1976)
Julius Boros (1982)	Byron Nelson (1974)
James Braid (1976)	Jack Nicklaus (1974)
William C. Campbell (1990)	Francis Quimet (1974)
Dorothy Campbell Hurd	Arnold Palmer (1974)
Howe (1978)	Gary Player (1974)
JoAnne Carner (1985)	Betsy Rawls (1987)
Billy Casper (1978)	Clifford Roberts (1978)
Harry Cooper (1992)	Chi Chi Rodriguez (1992)
Fred Corcoran (1975)	Donald Ross (1977)
Henry Cotton (1980)	Paul Runyan (1990)
Bing Crosby (1978)	Gene Sarazen (1974)
Jimmy Demaret (1983)	Horton Smith (1990)
Roberto De Vicenzo (1989)	Sam Snead (1974)
Joseph C. Dey (1975)	Louise Suggs (1979)
Chick Evans (1975)	J. H. Taylor (1975)
Raymond Floyd (1989)	Peter Thomson (1988)
Herb Graffis (1977)	Jerry Travers (1976)
Ralph Guldahl (1981)	Walter Travis (1979)
Walter Hagen (1974)	Lee Trevino (1981)
Bob Harlow (1988)	Richard Tufts (1992)
Harold Hilton (1978)	Harry Vardon (1974)
Ben Hogan (1974)	Glenna Collette Vare (1975)
Bob Hope (1983)	Tom Watson (1988)
Hale Irwin (1992)	Joyce Wethered (1975)
Robert Trent Jones Sr. (1987)	Kathy Whitworth (1982)
Robert Tyre Jones Jr. (1974)	Mickey Wright (1976)
Lawson Little (1980)	Babe Zaharias (1974)
Gene Littler (1990)	

World Golf Hall of Fame Inductees (St. Augustine, Fla., 1998-Present)

1998 Nick Faldo	2004 Isao Aoki
Johnny Miller	Tom Kite
1999 Amy Alcott	Charlie Sifford
Seve Ballesteros	Marlene Stewart Streit
Lloyd Mangrum	2005 Bernard Darwin
2000 Deane Beman	Alister Mackenzie
Sir Michael Bonallack	Ayako Okamoto
Neil Coles	Willie Park Sr.
Beth Daniel	Karrie Webb
John Jacobs	2006 Mark McCormack
Judy Rankin	Larry Nelson
Juli Inkster	Henry Picard
Jack Burke Jr.	Vijay Singh
2001 Judy Bell	Marilynn Smith
Donna Caponi	2007 Joe Carr
Greg Norman	Hubert Green
Allan Robertson	Charles Blair Macdonald
Karsten Solheim	Kel Nagle
Payne Stewart	Se Ri Pak
2002 Tommy Bolt	Curtis Strange
Ben Crenshaw	2008 Sir Bob Charles
Marlene Hagge	Pete Dye
Tony Jacklin	Denny Shute
Harvey Penick	Carol Semple Thompson
2003 Leo Diegel	Herbert Warren Wind
Hisako "Chako" Higuchi	Craig Wood
Nick Price	
Annika Sorenstam	

LPGA World Golf Hall of Fame Inductees (1951-1995)

1951 Patty Berg	1977 Sandra Haynie
Betty Jameson	Carol Mann
Louise Suggs	1982 JoAnne Carner
Babe Didrikson	1987 Nancy Lopez
Zaharias	1991 Pat Bradley
1960 Betsy Rawls	1993 Patty Sheehan
1964 Mickey Wright	1994 Dinah Shore
1975 Kathy Whitworth	1995 Betsy King