

Women's Basketball Announces Team Awards at Annual Banquet

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Doron and Langhorne tabbed team MVPs.

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COLLEGE PARK, Md. - The Maryland women's basketball team held its annual end-of-the-year banquet at the Greenbelt Marriott on Sunday afternoon. Third-year head coach [Brenda Frese](#) announced the team awards, including the recipients of the Most Valuable Player award, which was given to sophomore [Shay Doron](#) and freshman [Crystal Langhorne](#). Sophomore [Kalika France](#) and freshman [Jade Perry](#) were tabbed the squad's Defensive Players of the Year, while freshman [Ashleigh Newman](#) earned the Sixth Man Award.

Head coach Brenda Frese presents seniors Anesia Smith and Liz Gilchrest with their framed jerseys

Doron (Great Neck, N.Y./Christ the King) and Langhorne (Willingboro, N.J./Willingboro) were the top two scorers on the team this season. Doron paced the Terrapin attack with 17.6 points per game. Langhorne averaged 17.2 ppg while leading the ACC with 10.6 rebounds per game. Both were named to the All-ACC squad, with Doron earning first-team nods and Langhorne garnering second team honors. Langhorne was also named the league's Rookie of the Year, the first Terp in 14 years to earn the honor, breaking the school record with five ACC Rookie of the

Week selections. Doron also became the first Terrapin since 1993 to be named Kodak/WBCA Region II All-American. Both broke their respective classes' season scoring record, each tallying over 500 points on the year, while Langhorne also set the freshman class rebounding mark with 340 boards.

France (Forestville, Md./Bishop McNamara) drew the toughest assignment every night as the team's top defensive player. She guarded the opponent's top offensive threat despite battling tendonitis in her knees throughout the season. She was the team's third-leading scorer, averaging 11.0 ppg while adding 4.8 rpg.

Perry (Central City, Ky./Muhlenberg North) stepped in to start the last 23 games of the season, filling the shoes of classmate [Laura Harper](#) (Elkins Park, Pa./Cheltenham) who suffered a season-ending injury. Perry guarded the opponent's top post players, including the likes of UNC's Erlana Larkins and Ohio State's Jessica Davenport, limiting both players to below their season averages. Perry hit the game-tying buzzer beater at Arizona, sending the contest into overtime, a game in which the Terps eventually won.

Newman (Shelbyville, Tenn./Shelbyville Central) came off the bench and saw playing time in every game. A three-point scoring threat, she was one trey shy of tying the school record, knocking down seven in the first half at Clemson, a game which the Terps won, 87-82.

Seniors [Anesia Smith](#) (Alexandria, Va./Hayfield) and [Liz Gilchrest](#) (Sharpsburg, Md./Boonsboro) were also recognized.

Smith, one of the team's tri-captains this season, posted the best season of her career. She was a finalist for the Nancy Lieberman Award, given to the nation's top point guard, dishing out 214 helpers, more than her first three seasons combined. She led the ACC in that category and in assists-to-turnover ratio. She leaves Maryland ranked among the top five in school history in career assists.

Gilchrest joined the team for just one season after transferring from Washington College (Md.). While seeing limited playing time in College Park, Md., she was a leader on the squad and a workhorse. She came to

Maryland to finish a five-year dual-degree program in physics and civil engineering, posting a 3.86 grade point average to earn the team's Academic Award. She was also the recipient of the Terp Award, given to the player who embodies the spirit of what it means to be a Terp in the classroom and on the court.

Maryland reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the second-straight year and posted 22 wins on the season, the most since the 1992-93 campaign.

A list of all the award winners is listed below.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER (CO): [Shay Doron](#) & [Crystal Langhorne](#)

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR (CO): [Kalika France](#) & [Jade Perry](#)

SIXTH MAN AWARD: [Ashleigh Newman](#)

2004-05 TRI-CAPTAINS: [Shay Doron](#), [Kalika France](#), [Anesia Smith](#)

MOST ASSISTS: [Anesia Smith](#)

UTILITY AWARD: (most versatile) [Charmaine Carr](#)

HUSTLE AWARD: [C'Vette Henson](#)

ATTITUDE AWARD: [Angel Ross](#)

COURAGE AWARD: [Aurelie Noirez](#)

INSPIRATIONAL AWARD: [Laura Harper](#)

TERP AWARD: (embodies the spirit of what it means to be a Terp, academically and on the court) [Liz Gilcrest](#)

ACADEMIC AWARD: (for maintaining above a 3.0 GPA) [Shay Doron](#), Charmiane Carr, [Liz Gilcrest](#)