# **Kristy Odamura**

### 2025 Inductee - Athlete Category

Kristy Odamura showed signs of greatness early in her softball career. As a member of the Richmond Islanders, she consistently helped her team win titles and place in the top three at both Western Canadian and Canadian Championships.

In 1996, she began her collegiate career as a four-year starter at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo. During her time on the Big Island, Kristy would become a four-time All-American and would receive four all-conference awards.

Kristy's talent was recognized nationally when she joined Team Canada in 1998, making her debut at the World Championships, where the team secured a spot in the 2000 Olympics. She remained a key player for Team Canada until 2008, winning silver medals at the Pan American Championships in both 2001 and 2003. She also played a vital role in helping the team qualify for another Olympic appearance at the 2006 World Championships.



Kristy Odamura's outstanding career continues to inspire young athletes, proving what can be achieved through dedication and commitment.

#### Career Highlights

Team Canada

- > 1995 World Junior Championships 5th place
- > 1998 World Championships in Shizuoka, Japan 5th place
- > 1999 Canadian Development Team
- > 2000 Canada Cup
- > 2000 Sydney Olympic Games
- > 2001 Canada Cup, 3 Nations Cup, Pan Am Championships in Maracay, Venezuela silver
- > 2002 Canada Cup, US Cup, World Championships in Saskatoon
- 2003 Canada Cup, US Cup, Olympic Qualifier in Puerto Rico, Pan Am Games in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic - Silver
- > 2004 Canada Cup, Champions Cup, Prague Cup
- > 2004 Athens Olympic Games 5th
- > 2005 Canada Cup, US World Cup of Softball, Pan Am Championships in Guatemala City
- > 2006 Canada Cup, US World Cup of Softball, World Championships in Beijing
- > 2007 Canada Cup, Pan Am Games in Brazil
- > 2008 (alternate) NCAA Tour, Pre-Olympic Tournament, Canada Cup, Japan tour
- > 2008 Beijing Olympic Games 4th

#### Collegiate

> 4-year starter at the University of Hawaii-Hilo

Club

Played all but one year in Richmond as an Islander, and later as the Richmond Pride under the late great Mike Woods

- > 1991 2nd place Westerns in Burnaby
- > 1993 3rd @ nationals in Antigonish, NS
- > 1993 Team BC Canada Games bronze
- > 1994 Nationals in Brandon

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  1998 1st place Nationals in Brandon
  1999 1st place Nationals in Kamloops