

2023 Special Awards Candidate Bio Form

Please send this form back no later Friday, October 21, 2022.

If you were nominated for more than one award you must **submit a bio form for each award.**

Email *

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Name of Nominee: *

Matt Koets

Award Nominated for: *

Bill Strausbaugh Award

Facility Employed at: *

Railside Golf Club

Year Elected to Membership: *

2004

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. *

Thank you for the nomination for 2023 Bill Strausbaugh Award. I would like to thank my wife, Barbara, and my children, Barbara, Grace, and Luke for their love and unwavering support of my career. I would also like to thank the ownership, membership and our team at Railside Golf Club for their support and for the opportunity to serve as the Head Professional.

Contributions Through Mentoring Fellow PGA Members:

- As an active PGA Member in the section, I've had the opportunity to build a network of peers from around the state. I truly enjoy connecting with others, sharing ideas, and learning.
- At my home club, I've had the opportunity to work alongside talented golf professionals. Truly, the best part of my job to serve others and watch them grow in their roles. Often times this leads to other opportunity, change, and turnover. This is good and the way it should be. Servant leadership creates an environment that attracts people, fosters an environment of growth, and provides opportunity.
- As a head professional, I've had the great pleasure of moving two former assistants into head professional roles.
- Three assistants, current and former, have been nominated for Assistant Golf Professional of the Year. Emily Rohdy won the award in 2019.

Level of Service to the Section:

- Ten year member of the WMPGA executive board. I served each role for two year terms and I am currently the Past President.
- Member of the MIPGA executive board, 2020 & 2021.
- Member of the MIPGA tournament committee, 2016 & 2017.
- Active in supporting the WMPGA and MIPGA tournament schedule.

As a nearly 20-year member of the PGA, I've represented myself, my family, and my employers with outstanding character and integrity and I will continue to reinforce the values and image of our association.

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