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Philly-SIDA Announces 2024 Academic All-Area Women's Track & Field Team; **Villanova's Roschell Clayton Named Performer of the Year**

PHILADELPHIA – Villanova University senior **Roschell Clayton** has been named the Philly-SIDA Academic All-Area Performer of the Year for the 2024 women's track season, and is one of 11 women named to this year's Academic All-Area Women's Track & Field Team.

The Philly-SIDA Academic All-Area teams are voted on by the sports information offices of 30 institutions from the Philadelphia metropolitan area. In order to be eligible for Academic All-Area, an athlete must be in his or her second year at the institution and hold a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or better.

A first-team All-America in the high jump in both the indoor and outdoor seasons, Clayton tied for fifth in the event at the NCAA Outdoor Championships earlier this month after tying for sixth at the Indoor Championships in March. She was the BIG EAST high jump champion at both the Indoor and Outdoor Championships and set the program mark with a height of 1.88 meters () this season.

The 2023-24 Villanova Senior Student-Athlete of the Year, Clayton is a seven-time Dean's List student, a three-time USTFCCCA All-Academic honoree, a four-time BIG EAST All-Academic Team honoree, and an eight-time Athletic Director's Honor Roll member.

Clayton is joined on the Philly-SIDA Academic All-Area team by Rowan's **Izzy Deal**, **Molly Lodge** and **Anna Sasse**; Penn seniors **Olivia Morganti** and **Bella Whittaker**; Widener's **Maria Muzzarelli** and **Gabriella Nye**; Haverford's **Isabel Thornberry**; **Alexis Marini** from Rutgers-Camden; and **Brooke Adams** from Ursinus.

2024 Philly-SIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AREA WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD TEAM

Student-Athlete	School	Cl.	Major	Hometown
Brooke Adams	Ursinus	Sr.	Biochemistry and Molecular Bio	Valley View, Pa.
Roschell Clayton	Villanova	Sr.	Communication	Montego Bay, Jamaica
Izzy Deal	Rowan	Sr. (5)	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Sewell, N.J.
Molly Lodge	Rowan	Jr.	Computer Science	Woodstown, N.J.
Alexis Marini	Rutgers-Camden	Sr.	Economics/Philosophy	Pilesgrove, N.J.
Olivia Morganti	Penn	Sr.	Business, Energy, Environment and Sustainability concentrations (Wharton)	Syracuse, N.Y.
Maria Muzzarelli	Widener	Jr.	Psychology/Pre-Occupational Therapy	Buena, N.J.
Gabriella Nye	Widener	Sr.	Biology/Pre-Physical Therapy/ Spanish	Shippensburg, Pa.
Anna Sasse	Rowan	Jr.	Mechanical Engineering	Williamstown, N.J.
Isabel Thornberry	Haverford	Jr.	Chemistry	Louisville, Colo.
Bella Whittaker	Penn	Sr.	Communication	Laurel, Md.

Performer of the Year: Roschell Clayton, Villanova