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## **VALSPAR CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY BB&T EXEMPTION ON THE LINE IN “BIG BREAK MYRTLE BEACH”**

An exemption to the 2015 Valspar Championship presented by BB&T has been announced as one of the prizes should a male golfer win the 22nd season of Golf Channel’s Big Break reality competition series – Big Break Myrtle Beach. The reality show features a cast of six men and six women hoping to take the next step in their professional careers.

The exemption to the PGA TOUR Valspar Championship for a male winner (a female winner will earn one to the LPGA Tour’s 2015 Portland Classic) is part of a prize package valued at more than \$100,000. The Big Break Myrtle Beach premieres Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 9 p.m. ET on Golf Channel and will conclude in December.

“Valspar is very excited to be participating with this long-running series that helps aspiring golfers achieve their dreams,” said Gary Hendrickson, Chairman and CEO, The Valspar Corporation. “We are excited about the possibility of the winner playing in his first PGA TOUR event at the Valspar Championship.”

Produced in partnership with Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday and South Carolina Tourism and filmed at Barefoot Resort and Golf in Myrtle Beach, S.C., Big Break Myrtle Beach features a cast of 12 who are at different stages in their professional golf careers.

The six male contestants who could earn the exemption to the Valspar Championship are: Jimmy Brandt (31, Auburn, Ala.), Charlie Harrison (23, Atlanta, Ga.), Christian Heavens (25, Orlando, Fla. / East St. Louis, Ill), Dave Markle (29, Shelburne, Ontario, Canada), Toph Peterson (28, Gilbert, Ariz. / Logan, Utah), Anthony Quezada (19, Phoenix, Ariz.).

The female contestants are: Katie Detlefsen (25, Eagan, Minn.), Katy Harris (35, Humble, Texas), Carolin Pinegger (23, Orlando, Fla. / Schladming, Austria), Krista Puisite (23, Austin, Texas / Riga, Latvia), Tessa Teachman (24, Baton Rouge, La.) and Emily Tubert (22, Burbank, Calif.).

For more on the series, including the rest of the prize package, you can visit [GolfChannel.com](http://GolfChannel.com) [here](#).

The 2015 Valspar Championship will be held March 9-15 on the Copperhead Course at Innisbrook, a Salamander Golf & Spa Resort, in Palm Harbor, Florida. John Senden is the defending champion of the event which features national television coverage by NBC Sports and Golf Channel.