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The Bahamas' proud history of participation in the summer Olympic Games continues in 2021 at Tokyo 2020.

The country's Olympic heritage began in 1948, when it was still a British colony. The 1948 appearance was under the British flag. However, since then, Bahamian athletes have been present in every summer Games, competing for medals under the charter of a Bahamas Olympic Committee. Over a span of 73 years, The Bahamas has been represented in a wide span of disciplines, including athletics, aquatics, boxing, sailing, tennis, and wrestling.

The Bahamas enjoyed profound success in the Olympics. The return to Tokyo in 2021 offers a chance to reminisce on the country's first Olympic gold medal. The victory came in 1964, when Durward Knowles and Cecil Cooke achieved the feat in sailing. The gold capped an impressive run of sailing finishes that began with a bronze for Durward and Sloan Farrington at the 1956 Games in Melbourne. This was also the Bahamas' first Olympic medal of any kind.

In its Olympic history, the Bahamas ranks as the most winning country on a per capita basis. In its 16 Olympic appearances, the Bahamas has mustered 14 total medals, six of them gold. The efforts have led to The Bahamas being recognized on multiple occasions as the per capita winner of summer Olympic Games.

The proud title of Per Capita Olympic Games winner was achieved in 1964, 2000, and 2004. It was only narrowly missed at Games when smaller nations such as Grenada picked up a medal. In this per capita ranking, using the weighted medal point system, the Bahamas was second in 1956, 1996, 2012 and 2016; and third in 2008.

The Bahamas' early appearances in the Olympics could be considered as the sailing era, where the sport drew most fame and hardware for the country. However, 1992 could be seen as the beginning of the athletics era.

It was in 1992 that the Bahamas won its first medal as an independent nation. The medal was a bronze that was awarded when Frank Rutherford had a third-place finish at the Games in Barcelona. Rutherford's leap landed him a bronze medal, but it also ignited a new hope for Bahamian athletes. Since then, Bahamian athletes have progressively increased their competitiveness and drive.

All of the Bahamas' medals since Independence have come through athletics. Early on, there was great momentum in relay events, where men and women's teams consistently

medaled. In more recent times, individual performers have come to the foreground, yielding world leaders in several athletics events.

Tokyo 2020 has been marked by the most severe pandemic in 100 years. The specter of Covid-19 has overshadowed the Games, often leaving doubt of it moving forward. Despite the trepidation, however, there are numerous reasons for optimism for successful outcomes for the Bahamas at the Games. Through it all, with considerable favorites in some events, and its first female chef de mission at the Olympic level, Team Bahamas stands ready for another historic appearance at the summer Olympic Games.



The Athletes

15c Shaunae Miller-Uibo

This sprint sensation heads into the Olympic Games with fine form, as she constantly shatters records and updates her personal best times. The reigning Olympic champion in the 400m had gone unbeaten in the event for more than 25 months before a controversial second place finish at the 2019 World Championships for athletics. Now, back to her winning ways, Miller-Uibo is undefeated in the 400m and 200m for more than 21 months heading into the Games.

25c Steven Gardiner

Ranked by World Athletics as the top 400m athlete for the entire first half of 2021, Steven Gardiner gets stronger with every passing year. He is the reigning World Champion in the 400m, part of the winning 4x400m mixed relay team of the 2017 World Relays, and a bronze medalist of the men's 4x400m contest at the Rio Olympics. Now, he looks to add to his medal collection in Tokyo.

50c Tynia Gaither

Tynia Gaither approaches her second consecutive Olympic Games with increasing intensity and determination. She has been a national champion in both the 100 and 200m on multiple occasions. She was a finalist in the 200m in the last two World Championships for athletics and the 2018 NACAC championships. She is also a bronze medalist in the 200m at the 2019 Pan American Games. Now, she hopes to medal on the Olympic stage.

65c Jamal Wilson

This veteran high jumper was among the first Bahamians to qualify for Tokyo 2020. He is a former national champion, and a silver medalist of the 2018 Commonwealth Games. Wilson heads into his second consecutive Olympic Games, ready to soar across the bar.

70c Joanna Evans

Joanna Evans' entry to Tokyo 2020 came in dramatic fashion. Just two months before the start of the Games Joanna hit the qualifying time for the 400m freestyle by going up against the event's world record holder, Katie Ledecky. She finished second to Ledecky in a time of 4:07.33. This was a new national record, breaking the record she had set at the Rio Games. As a result, Evans will appear in her second consecutive Olympic Games.

\$1 Pedrya Seymour

Pedrya Seymour's star is quickly rising in the world of Athletics. She is a former national champion in both the 100m hurdles and 400m hurdles. She is a finalist in the 100m hurdles at the 2019 Pan American Games and the 2016 Olympic Games. She will be in the hunt for hurdles hardware in Tokyo.