

Gabi Niculescu, Director of Racquets

Gabi's enthusiasm and passion for racquet sports are contagious. Born and raised in Bucharest, Romania, she picked up a racquet at a young age and, to this day, continues to compete on the national stage.

During her professional tennis career, Gabi achieved a WTA singles ranking of 376 and a doubles ranking of 199. She played college tennis for the University of Southern California, where she won a PAC-10 Doubles Championship and became an All-American in doubles in 2008. Gabi continued her studies at the University of Idaho, where she received her Graduate degree in Recreation Management.

Currently ranked #5 paddle player in the country, Gabi picked up the sport in 2013. Since then, she and her partners have won three National Championships in 2016, 2018, and 2019. She also made four more appearances in the Nationals final in 2021, 2022, 2023. This year, Gabi played with a new young and talented partner, Ellie Halbauer, from Cincinnati, OH, and they finished finalists.

Gabi is certified in tennis, paddle, and pickleball and has taught these sports at neighboring clubs such as New Canaan Field Club, New Canaan Racquet Club, Milbrook Club, and the Patterson Club.

Gabi lives in Norwalk, CT, with her husband and two adorable little boys.

