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## Des Moines Derby Dames are Named Finalists for *Cityview's* "Best of Des Moines" Awards

**Des Moines, IA (Feb. 22, 2011)** – The Des Moines Derby Dames, Iowa's premier roller derby team, has been named a finalist in the categories of *Best Local Sports Team*, *Best Local Athlete*, and *Best Indoor Sporting Event*, by *Cityview's* wildly popular readership poll. The annual *Cityview* "Best of Des Moines" awards are considered to be the yearly gold standard of pop culture in the city.

"Our team was flattered to be named a finalist in three categories," said Malay Bouaphakeo, Founder of the Des Moines Derby Dames. "To be recognized on the same level as the Des Moines Buccaneers and I-Cubs was a pretty major nod for our team."

The Des Moines Derby Dames organization has carved out a successful niche market for itself with over 2,500 fans attending last Saturday's bout against the Quad City Rollers at the Jacobson Exhibition Center. The organization is made up of two teams: the travel squad (or "A" team) and the Crash Test Dolls, as well as a full support staff of emcees, referees, officials, coaches and volunteers.

"Des Moines is ready for something new," said Megger Bomb, Co-captain of the Des Moines Derby Dames. "Roller derby offers an exciting, engaging atmosphere for fans of all ages."

The Des Moines Derby Dames next home games will be March 5<sup>th</sup> (Crash Test Dolls v. Farm Fresh Roller Girls) and March 26<sup>th</sup> (v. Old Capitol City Roller Girls).

*The Des Moines Derby Dames is a group of professional women and men who share a passion for roller derby and what it represents – athleticism, integrity, sportsmanship and community. Our spunky skaters collect bruises and sore muscles on the track. Off the track, we're working hard to bring the nation's fastest-growing sport to Des Moines on an unprecedented level. [www.dmderbbydames.com](http://www.dmderbbydames.com)*

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