## **Muhammad Ali Still 'The Champ**

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Muhammad Ali will receive many well deserved awards in the upcoming months.

Muhammad Ali will receive the Common Ground Lifetime Achievement Award on Thursday, March 17th 2005 in Washington D.C..

The reason "He has been cited as a "United Nations Messenger of Peace," and has been called "Mr. International Friendship" by former President Carter. In schools across America he has taught children the virtues of tolerance and understanding through his book "Healing". The new Muhammad Ali Center will appeal to the heart, spirit and imagination in areas of personal growth and commitment, integrity and respect for others".

Also Muhammad Ali will receive a prestigious German prize in December in recognition of his commitment to the U.S. civil rights movement and his work as a U.N. peace ambassador, organizers said in Berlin.

The former heavyweight boxing champion will receive the Otto Hahn freedom medal Dec. 17, the German Society for the United Nations said in a recent statement. It noted that Parkinson's disease ""has been unable to halt him in his commitment to society.""

Previous winners of the medal, named for the Nobel Prize-winning chemist, include Mikhail Gorbachev, Simon Wiesenthal and Yehudi Menuhin.

Please visit The Muhammad Ali Center web site ( <u>HERE</u> ) to stay informed on this very respected and very much loved man.

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