

Sports & Entertainment

Registration open for aspiring players to try out at UFL Player Showcase on Sept. 14 from sports page 1

Celebration High School

UFL Phoenix Showcase

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Temple High School

UFL Houston Showcase

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Husky Stadium

UFL Los Angeles Showcase

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Penninsula High School

Registration is now open at www.showcases.theufl.com

Prospective specialists (kickers, punters, snappers) will be able to participate at the following event:

• Sunday, October 19: Novak Kicking & Consulting at Maranatha Christian School in San Diego, California. Register at nicknovak.com. Upon acceptance, formal invitations will be issued.

For any questions about these events or player eligibility, please visit the UFL FAQ page at <http://www.showcase.xfl.com/faq>.

About the UFL

The United Football League (UFL) is the professional spring football league, born from the groundbreaking 2024 merger of the XFL and USFL. With the visionary backing of RedBird Capital Partners, FOX, Dany Garcia and Dwayne Johnson, the UFL is redefining the football landscape. Built on tradition and positioned to innovate and expand fan engagement and player opportunities, the league is poised for growth with its eight teams in key markets: Arlington (TX), Birmingham (AL), Detroit (MI), Houston (TX), San Antonio (TX), Memphis (TN), St. Louis (MO), and Washington D.C.

The UFL is committed to pushing the boundaries of the game and delivering an elevated experience for players, fans, and partners alike.

Memphis Athletics announces updates on Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium renovations from sports page 1

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season by hosting events year-round and allowing the Memphis Athletic Foundation to maximize its ownership of the stadium. Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium will host its first concert in over 25 years (1997) when Chris Brown takes the stage in mid-October. In collaboration with technology leader Daktronics a design was developed for a 4,062 square foot LED videoboard to create a stadium experience unlike any other in the country. The board will be mounted just above the fan plaza

ated \$201 million for the project with \$120 million coming from the funds transferred by the city and the \$50 million donation from the Fred Smith Family. To date, the athletic department has raised \$31 million towards the Smith family match challenge. New elements to the design include a north end tunnel renovation, the buildout of the 300-level club, a suspended kitchen on the 200 level and a state-of-the-art LED videoboard that will span over 260 feet in length. The new elements are now included in Phase Two of the renovation as all necessary funding is anticipated for the target completion date. The buildout of the 300-level club will complete the West Side Tower that includes the 400 level Founders Suites, 500 level club and 600 level suites. The 500 and 600 levels will connect for an elevated experience for the suite holders and ticket members. The suspended kitchen on the 200 level is the first-ever at Liberty Stadium and will service the entire West Side Tower providing a first-class dining experience. The north end zone tunnel provides the ability to generate additional revenue beyond football

and span 70-yards from the 15-yard line to the other 15-yard line. The inclusion of the new features in Phase Two reduces the capacity from the original plan of 50,000 to 45,632. Temporary seating will be an option for events that require an increased capacity expanding the seating by two to three thousand. Capacity during the renovation is 33,691. The momentum of the project is in large part thanks to the Leadership Donors who have continued to rise to the challenge established by the Smith family. Below is a listing of the Leadership Donors who have generously supported the project.

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Legendary entertainment Attorney John Mason releases memoir ‘Crazy Lucky’ packed with inside stories; Foreword written by Priscilla Presley

CRAZY LUCKY

REMARKABLE STORIES FROM INSIDE THE WORLD OF CELEBRITY ICONS

JOHN MASON

FOREWORD BY PRISCILLA PRESLEY

Book Signing Saturday, June 28th at Barnes & Noble in Cool Springs (Brentwood, Tennessee)

Most lawyers aren’t like John Mason. Then again, most lawyers don’t do what he does.

"If this was the Wild West, I’m sure John would be the sheriff."
— **Ethan Wayne, John Wayne Enterprises**

"I’ve always been able to count on him... We have remained great friends ever since."
— **Reba McEntire**

"John is one of the good guys in this business."
— **Frankie Valli**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - After a decades-long career spent guiding some of the most iconic names in music, film, and television through the most high-stakes moments of their lives, Nashville-based entertainment attorney John Mason is pulling back the curtain with the release of his memoir, Crazy Lucky, available now on Amazon.

For more information, visit www.johnmasonlaw.com.

To mark the occasion, Mason will host a special book signing on Saturday, June 28th at 2:00 PM CT at Barnes & Noble in Cool Springs (1701 Mallory Ln, Brentwood, TN). The public is invited to attend, meet the author, and get a signed copy of this remarkable new book that peers behind the velvet rope of the entertainment industry — from Hollywood boardrooms to backstage at the Opry.

A fixture in the entertainment world, John Mason has represented six Academy Award winners, advised members of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and served as legal counsel to recording artists whose sales exceed 100 million records worldwide. He has been named Billboard Magazine’s "Entertainment Attorney of the Year" and has earned an A/V rating in the Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory for more than 30 years.

But Crazy Lucky isn’t just a

In his lifetime, John Mason has a lot to explore in his memoir “Crazy Lucky” now available on Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and wherever books are sold. He has a book signing at Barnes & Noble in Cool Springs, in Brentwood, Tennessee on June 28.

who's who of showbiz legends. It's a deeply personal and often hilarious look at Mason's improbable journey — from a butcher's son in California with a knack for the guitar, to a world-class legal mind trusted by stars like Reba McEntire, Olivia Newton-John, Frankie Valli, Smokey Robinson, Quincy Jones, the Jackson Five, and the Roy Orbison family. With humility, wit, and plenty of jaw-dropping stories, Mason takes readers inside the rooms where careers are made, crises are managed, and trust is everything.

involving the likes of Michael Jackson, Brian Wilson, Shakira, and countless others. With charm, honesty, and legal savvy, Mason reveals what it means to be the person artists turn to when everything's on the line.

It's a masterclass in trust, loyalty, and how to survive — and thrive — in the most unpredictable industry in the world.

About John Mason:
A Los Angeles native, John Mason graduated with honors from UCLA and received his J.D. from UC Berkeley where he was Managing Editor of the California Law Review. He began his career at one of Beverly Hills' top entertainment law firms before launching his own firm in 1978 — eventually establishing himself in Nashville, where he

continues to serve as counsel to elite talent across music, film, TV, literature, and new media.

Over the past four decades, Mason has:

•Represented 6 Oscar winners and 17 Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductees

•Negotiated high-stakes deals across every major studio and label

•Handled precedent-setting litigation

•Served as Chairman of the Nevada Film Commission

•Advised on countless iconic entertainment projects

•Built a reputation as one of the most trusted voices in entertainment law

Clients describe him as a confidant, an advocate, and the person they call when the stakes couldn't be higher.

Learn more at johnmasonlaw.com.

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