

Sports & Entertainment

NFL announces FedEx Air and Ground Players of the Week

N.Y., N.Y. - The NFL announced on September 8 that the nominees for FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week for Week 1 are:

- **Buffalo Bills quarterback JOSH ALLEN** completed 33 of 46 attempts (71.7percent) for 394 yards and two touchdowns for a 112.0 passer rating. Also rushed for 30 yards and two touchdowns.
- **Los Angeles Chargers JUSTIN HERBERT** completed 25 of 34 attempts (73.5 percent) for 318 yards and three touchdowns for a 131.7 passer rating.
- **Pittsburgh quarterback AARON RODGERS** completed 22 of 30 attempts (73.3 percent) for 244 yards and four touchdowns for a 136.7 passer rating.
- **Tampa Bay wide receiver EMEKA EGBUKA** registered four catches for 67 yards and two touchdowns.
- **Jacksonville running back**

TRAVIS ETIENNE recorded 156 scrimmage yards (143 rushing, 13 receiving).

Baltimore running back DERRICK HENRY recorded 182 scrimmage yards (169 rushing, 13 receiving) and two rushing touchdowns.

For the 2025-26 NFL regular season, FedEx is teaming up with Feeding America to make donations of \$2,000 in the name of the winning players (\$4,000 total per week) to help combat food insecurity across the country.

This marks the first time the FedEx Air & Ground NFL Awards program will support Feeding America and its nationwide network of local food banks and pantries. Over the course of the entire season, select food banks and pantries will receive grants totaling more than \$100,000.

Grizzlies hold 2025 Grizz Take Action Day of Service on Friday, September 19 from sports page 1

will be provided from FedEx-Forum. Food, coffee, T-shirts and entertainment will also be supplied at the site for all volunteers. Participants must be at least 16 years or older. A Habitat house will also be available for an open house walk-through during the event.

Foreseeing any inclement weather, the event will move to Saturday, Sept. 20, from 7:30 a.m.-noon.

For over 40 years, first-time homebuyers have turned to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis for high-quality homes, zero-interest affordable mortgages and financial educa-

tion. Older homeowners also trust Memphis Habitat for essential repairs they can no longer manage on their own.

For more information on Grizz Take Action Day of Service, visit grizzlies.com/community. Fans who want to support the Memphis Grizzlies and purchase 2025-26 season tickets, single game tickets or partial plans can do so now by going online to grizzlies.com/tickets. For more information on the Grizzlies, visit grizzlies.com, ‘like’ Memphis Grizzlies on Facebook or follow @memgrizz on Twitter/X and Instagram..

TN Titans sign Amani Hooker to a multi-year extension of his contract from sports page 1

from 2019 through 2024.

During the franchise's "Titans era," which began in 1999, his 12 interceptions are the ninth-most for the team and rank fourth among the club's safeties.

In 2024, Hooker appeared in 14 games. He led the Titans defense with a career-best five interceptions, which also tied for the sixth-best number in the NFL. Additionally, he tied for the team lead with a career-high nine passes defended. His 14 starts es-

tablished a career high, as did his seven quarterback pressures, four tackles for loss and two forced fumbles.

Prior to reaching the NFL, the Minneapolis, Minn., native played three seasons at the University of Iowa, where he appeared in 36 games (19 starts) and totaled six interceptions and 125 tackles. As a junior in 2018, he was named second-team AP All-American and added All-Big Ten honors from league coaches and media.

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The Harlem Globetrotters 100 Year Tour announces dates and cities to celebrate

‘The Harlem Globetrotters 100 Year Tour’ also announce their upcoming centennial

New York’s Madison Square Garden to Tip Off The Centennial Season With a Special Event on Sunday, December 14 – 200+ Domestic Games and over 125+ International Games to Follow



September 8, 2025 – Atlanta – “The Harlem Globetrotters 100 Year Tour” announced the dates and cities today for their upcoming world-wide centennial tour beginning with a special event on Sunday December 14 at Madison Square Garden, with the full tour launching with games in Boston and Pittsburgh on Friday, December 26th and continuing on to 200+ domestic markets and over 125+ markets internationally.

Global tickets will be on sale for a newly reimagined show that will feature never-before- seen basketball excitement and special features integrated into the game for the Centennial season only. The Harlem Globetrotters Citi Pre-Sale Begins Tuesday, September 9, with venue and Ticketmaster pre-sale on Mon-

day, September 15, followed by world-wide sale on Monday, September 22. Fans can request an early access code now at HarlemGlobetrotters.com.

“There are very few brands in any business, let alone sports, that cannot just withstand but grow over the course of 100 years, and the Harlem Globetrotters are on the top of that global list,” said Keith Dawkins, President, Harlem Globetrotters & Herschend Entertainment Studios. “We have challenged ourselves to make sure our business is evolving and reaching the audience wherever they are.

And for this year’s tour we want to make sure that there’s something for everyone, from the families and fans that turn out in the thousands every year to those

young people just experiencing the work our amazing and talented athletes are doing for the first time. The result will be a basketball and entertainment experience like no other, a literal once in a century event for all to enjoy.”

The team will debut their new 100-year jerseys designed by legendary fashion artist, Jeff Hamilton, honoring a century of global impact, as they face off against their longtime rivals, the Washington Generals. Fans can also expect all-new surprises like the Golden Basketball by Spalding®, epic pre-game Magic Pass experiences, a 100 Year Souvenir Ticket and many other new innovations for the “Ambassadors of Basketball.”

The current team of elite men and women, holders of an unprecedented 60+ Guinness World Records, including 18 set just last year, the most of any team in any sport, will bring a fresh look of gravity-defying dunks and game-changing tricks against their renowned rivals, The Washington Generals.

The North American leg of the

tour, officially begins Sunday, December 14 with the tour continuing throughout spring 2026. International markets such as France, United Kingdom, Italy, Germany, Spain, Switzerland, Belgium, Netherlands, Mexico, and across Asia are just a few of the many locations the Harlem Globetrotters will be touring in winter 2026 and running through the remainder of the year. Spaldton, honoring a century of global impact, as they face off against their longtime rivals, the Washington Generals. Fans can also expect all-new surprises like the Golden Basketball by Spalding®, epic pre-game Magic Pass experiences, a 100 Year Souvenir Ticket and many other new innovations for the “Ambassadors of Basketball.”

Revered for their exceptional athleticism, basketball wizardry, and heartwarming interactions with fans of all ages, they will captivate audiences with never-before-seen tricks, fan engagement, and heartwarming moments that have become synonymous with the Harlem Globetrotters. Tour schedule and ticket purchase can be found HERExxx and directly on the Harlem Globetrotters website. Citi cardmembers will have access to pre-sale tickets in select markets beginning September 9 – September 14. For complete presale details visit www.citizen-tertainment.com

University of Houston School of Theatre & Dance announces 2025-26 season... from sports-Ent. 5

graphic perspective, resulting in an evening of bold, intelligent and inspiring dance.

The dance season culminates this spring with Creative Exchange: UH Dance Faculty and Guest Artist Concert. This performance features compelling new works by UH dance faculty and acclaimed guest artists, showcasing the cutting-edge voices shaping contemporary dance today.

Student-written work also takes center stage this season. In the fall, UH will present “Breaking the Bands,” a new play by Samantha Ray. In the spring, the annual 10-Minute Play Festival will highlight short plays by emerging UH playwrights. The school continues its tradition of excellence following national acclaim in 2025, when Sage Mitchell’s “Everything Rises” won the Kennedy Center’s Rosa Parks Playwriting Award.

“Our 2025-26 season celebrates the power of live performance

across a wide spectrum,” said Sharon Ott, director of the School of Theatre & Dance. “From the haunting beauty of ‘Frankenstein’ to the vibrant energy of student choreography and award-winning new plays, this season offers something for every audience.”

For more information about the 2025–26 season, tickets or subscriptions, visit uh.edu/kgmca/theatre-and-dance.

Performance Details

"The Circadian Project"

- Sept. 25, 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sept. 27 and 28 at 1:30 p.m.
- Location: Studio 208

“Anon(ymous)” by Naomi Li-zuka

- Oct. 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m.; and Oct. 5, 11 and 12 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Quintero Theatre

“Frankenstein” by Nick Dear

- Oct. 31 and Nov. 3, 7 and 8 at 7:30 p.m.; and Nov. 2 and 9 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Wortham Theatre

“Breaking the Bands”

- Nov. 20 and 21 at 7:30 p.m.; and Nov. 23 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Quintero Theatre

Emerging Choreographers

- Dec. 5 at noon and 7:30 p.m.; and Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m.
- Location: Wortham Theatre

“Restoration Comedy” by Amy Freed

- Feb. 27 and 28 and March 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7 at 7:30 p.m.; and Feb. 28 and March 1, 7 and 8 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Quintero Theatre

Creative Exchange: UH Dance Faculty and Guest Artist Concert

- March 6 and 7 at 7:30 p.m.; and March 8 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Wortham Theatre

“25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee” by Rachel Sheinkin

- April 10, 11, 17 and 18 at 7:30 p.m.; and April 12 and 19 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Wortham Theatre

10-Minute Play Festival

- May 1 and 2 at 7:30 p.m.; and May 2 and 3 at 2 p.m.
- Location: Quintero Theatre

Tickets

- General public: \$30
- Staff/faculty/alumni: \$25
- Seniors and students: \$25
- Student tickets for “Breaking the Bands,” 10-Minute Plays and Emerging Choreographers: \$10

Contact the KGMCA Box Office at 713-743-3388 or purchase tickets online at kgmcaboxoffice.universitytickets.com.

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Grammy Museum Mississippi announces new exhibit “80s Rock: The Wildest Decade in Music” ... from sports-Ent. 5

and signed memorabilia

- Guitar played by Ratt
- Warrant drumhead
- Iconic photographs from the era by Mark Weiss

Fans will even have the opportunity to have their photo taken in front of the popular Los Angeles Sunset Strip venue, the Whisky a Go Go.

Supporting Sponsors for this exhibit include **Ergon, Gertrude**

C. Ford Foundation, Planters Bank, Quality Steel Corporation, and Visit Cleveland.

Participating Sponsors include **Ten One Strategies and Hammons and Associates.**

The Grammy Museum Mississippi spokesman stated: “A special thank you to our partners at GRAMMY Museum Los Angeles, Hard Rock International, Mark Weiss, MTV, and Mo Pop

Museum for their collaboration and support..”

GRAMMY Museum Mississippi is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Museum is closed on Mondays.

Tickets can be purchased in person at the box office, or by visiting grammymuseumms.org.

TN State Parks install additional colorblind viewfinders including T.O. Fuller State Park in Memphis

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colorblind viewfinder for a stunning view.

Other Tennessee State Parks with colorblind viewfinders are:

- Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park
- Chickasaw State Park
- Paris Landing State Park
- Fort Pillow State Historic Park
- Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park
- Montgomery Bell State Park
- Radnor Lake State Park
- Standing Stone State Park
- Savage Gulf State Park
- Fall Creek Falls State Park

For a full list of the accessible features at Tennessee State Parks, visit tnstateparks.com/accessibility.

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