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Harlem Globetrotters Bring Remarkable Rookie Class to Everett

Highlighting the Tallest Pro Basketball Player, Shortest Globetrotter in History, and the Team's First Female Player in 19 Years

Who: Harlem Globetrotters

When: Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 7 pm

What: The most extraordinary Rookie Class team in history has been announced for the Harlem Globetrotters 2012 tour and it includes three stand out rookies joining the squad this year. Paul "Tiny" Sturgess measures in at 7'8" and is tallest pro basketball player in history. On the opposite end 5'2" Jonte "Too Tall" Hall sets the record for the shortest player in history to join the team. Finishing this trifecta is the first female player since 1993 Fatima "TNT" Maddox of Temple University.

Three challengers from the 2011 College Slam Dunk Contest will be wowing audiences on the Globetrotters 2012 tour. Champion and YouTube sensation Jacob "Hops" Tucker joins the team at 5'10" with a 50-inch vertical. Slam dunk contest runner up John "Jet" Williams of UNC-Asheville and semifinalist Darnell "Spider" Wilks of the University of Cincinnati also bring great talent to the team.

Giant is the only way to describe these players; 7'4" Jermaine "Stretch" Middleton, 7' Anthony "Biggie" McClain, and previously mentioned 7'8" Sturgess all towering over seven feet tall. Sturgess is the tallest Globetrotter ever and comes to the team from a career at Mountain State University (W.Va.). He is the 19th internationally born player in team history, hailing from Loughborough, England.

Current Globetrotters stars Special K Daley, Big Easy Lofton, Flight Time Lang, Dizzy Grant, Scooter Christensen, and many others will team up with the world class rookies for nearly 270 games on the North American portion of the World Tour. Player rosters in each city will vary and are subject to change.

Tickets: Tickets (\$23, \$28, \$35, \$45, \$63, \$128) are on sale Monday, October 17, at 10 am. Tickets available at Comcast Arena at Everett Box Office, charge by phone 866.332.8499 and online at ComcastArenaEverett.com. A limited number of courtside seats are also available. Groups of ten or more, call 425.322.2609.

The Comcast Arena at Everett, recipient of the International Association of Venue Manager's (IAVM) prestigious Venue Excellence Award 2010, was developed by the Everett Public Facilities District. The 10,000-seat venue hosts a myriad of events including concerts, ice skating and family shows. The facility is also home to the Everett Silvertips, a Western Hockey League franchise and the 2010 National Lacrosse League Champions, the Washington Stealth. The venue accommodates other sporting events such as basketball, volleyball and international skating competitions.

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