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WBCA Announces Additions to All-Star Challenge Featuring Nation's Top Senior Collegiate Players

ATLANTA, Ga. (March 22, 2006) -- The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) has announced the additions to the All-Star Challenge line-up after selecting the NCAA Division II, Division III and NAIA Player of the Year. Washburn University's Jennifer Harris (NCAA DII), Randolph-Macon College Megan Silva (NCAA DIII) and Oklahoma City University's Mariam Sy have all been added to the roster of the 2006 WBCA All-Star Challenge Game. On Saturday, April 1, the top 20 senior collegiate players in women's basketball not playing in the NCAA® Women's Final Four® will showcase their talents at Matthews Arena on Northeastern University's campus.

This capstone event is part of the 25th Annual WBCA National Convention, which takes place in Boston, at the site of this year's NCAA Women's Final Four. The WBCA All-Star Challenge game will be the second of a doubleheader event featured during the "WBCA Night of All-Stars." Fans will have an opportunity to watch and collect autographs from the future WNBA stars, as well as see the WBCA High School All-America Game, presented by Nike, which tips-off at 4:30 p.m. (ET).

The WBCA All-Star Challenge features 17 of the top senior NCAA Division I players, voted on by Division I WBCA-member head coaches. The remaining three players are the top senior vote getters in the State Farm/WBCA Player of the Year ballots. They are selected from the NCAA Division II, III and NAIA levels.

The 2006 roster includes:

Name	Institution	Position
Laë™Tangela Atkinson	North Carolina	Guard/Forward
Seimone Augustus	LSU	Guard/Forward
Sherill Baker	Georgia	Guard/Forward
Nikki Blue	UCLA	Guard
Lindsay Bowen	Michigan State	Guard
Monique Currie	Duke	Guard/Forward
Megan Duffy	Notre Dame	Guard
Candice Dupree	Temple	Forward
Erin Grant	Texas Tech	Guard
Alexis Kendrick	Georgia	Guard

Cappie Pondexter	Rutgers	Guard
Liz Shimek	Michigan State	Forward
Ann Strother	Connecticut	Guard/Forward
Barbara Turner	Connecticut	Forward
Mistie Williams	Duke	Forward
Sophia Young	Baylor	Forward
Shanna Zolman	Tennessee	Guard/Forward
Jennifer Harris	Washburn	Guard/Forward
Megan Silva	Randolph- Macon	Guard
Mariam Sy	Oklahoma City	Center

The All-Star Challenge roster may alter if any of the aforementioned players' teams are participating in the NCAA® Women's Final Four.

Unfortunately, Oklahoma City University's Mariam Sy will be unable to participate in the All-Star Challenge because of an ACL tear, but will remain on the roster as the NAIA top senior vote getter.

The WBCA All-Star Challenge participants will be signing autographs along with the WNBA's Swin Cash (Detroit Shock) and Lindsay Whalen (Connecticut Sun) beginning at 4:00 p.m. (ET). Doors open at 3:30 p.m. (ET).

Past stars of the All-Star Challenge include: Diana Taurasi (Phoenix Mercury); Alana Beard (Washington Mystics); Cheryl Ford (Detroit Shock); Chantelle Anderson (San Antonio Silver Stars); Marie Ferdinand (San Antonio Silver Stars); Chamique Holdsclaw (Los Angeles Sparks); Ticha Penicherio (Sacramento Monarchs); Coco Miller (Washington Mystics) and Murriel Page (Los Angeles Sparks), and many more stars of the WNBA.