2012 MLB ALL-STAR GAME

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2012 ALL-STAR GAME ROSTERS ANNOUNCED

Angels Rookie Mike Trout Becomes Seventh Youngest A.L. All-Star Position Player Ever; N.L. Hurlers Aroldis Chapman, R.A. Dickey and Stephen Strasburg First-Time All-Stars; At Least Seven Rangers Will Represent A.L.; Giants, Cardinals Lead N.L. with Four Each

Pitchers and reserves have been named to the American League and National League All-Star Teams, as announced today by Major League Baseball, the Major League Baseball Players Association and All-Star Game managers Tony La Russa of the National League and Ron Washington of the American League. The 2012 American League and National League All-Star rosters were unveiled this afternoon on the 2012 All-Star Game Selection Show Presented by Taco Bell on TBS.

In addition to the starters who were elected by the fans, pitchers and reserve players were named to the All-Star Game rosters by the Player Ballot – a vote of the players, managers and coaches – and by the All-Star Game managers in conjunction with MLB. In making their selections, the managers have ensured that each of the 30 Major League Clubs will be represented in the All-Star Game.

American League position players who are invited to the 83rd Midsummer Classic as a result of Player Balloting are catcher **Matt Wieters** of the Baltimore Orioles; first baseman **Paul Konerko** of the Chicago White Sox; second baseman **Ian Kinsler** of the Texas Rangers; shortstop **Asdrubal Cabrera** of the Cleveland Indians; third baseman **Miguel Cabrera** of the Detroit Tigers; outfielders **Adam Jones** of the Orioles and teammates **Mike Trout** and **Mark Trumbo** of the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim; and designated hitter **Adam Dunn** of the White Sox.

Angels rookie Trout will become the seventh youngest A.L. All-Star position player in the 79-year history of the Midsummer Classic, including the fifth youngest A.L. All-Star outfielder. The only six A.L. All-Star non-pitchers younger than Trout, who will be 20 years and 11+ months on July 10th, were catcher Butch Wynegar (20/4+ mos., 1976 ASG), outfielder Ken Griffey, Jr. (20/7+ mos., 1990 ASG), catcher Ivan Rodriguez (20/7+ mos., 1992 ASG), Hall of Fame outfielders Mickey Mantle (20/8+ mos., 1952 ASG) and Al Kaline (20/9+ mos., 1955 ASG) and outfielder Claudell Washington (20/10+ mos., 1975 ASG). *(Data provided by the Elias Sports Bureau)* In addition, Trout's 832,439 write-in votes are the most that any player has received since Freddy Sanchez of the Pittsburgh Pirates, hosts of the 2006 All-Star Game, drew 856,685 that year.

Dunn has made his second career All-Star team and his first in 10 years one year after batting .159 with 11 home runs and 42 RBI in his first season with the White Sox.

A.L. pitchers who have made the 2012 All-Star Game as a result of the Player Ballot include starters **David Price** of the Tampa Bay Rays; **CC Sabathia** of the New York Yankees; **Chris Sale** of the White Sox; **Justin Verlander** of the Tigers; and **Jered Weaver** of the Angels. Since Sabathia is currently on the disabled list, his replacement is **C.J. Wilson** of the Angels, per Washington's choice. Sabathia will be recognized as an All-Star and has been invited to Kansas City with full All-Star honors. The relievers who are All-Stars via the Player Ballot are **Jim Johnson** of the Orioles; **Chris Perez** of the Indians; and **Fernando Rodney** of the Rays.

Washington's seven selections, in conjunction with MLB, included three position players: catcher **Joe Mauer** of the Minnesota Twins; shortstop **Elvis Andrus** of the Rangers; and designated hitter **Billy Butler** of the host Kansas City Royals. The four pitchers who are among Washington's selections are reliever **Ryan Cook** of the Oakland Athletics; starter **Matt Harrison** of the Rangers; starter **Felix Hernandez** of the Seattle Mariners; and reliever **Joe Nathan** of the Rangers.

The 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote sponsored by Firestone will determine the 34th A.L. roster spot, a competition that will feature pitchers **Jonathan Broxton** of the Royals; **Yu Darvish** of the Rangers; **Ernesto Frieri** of the Angels; **Jason Hammel** of the Orioles; and **Jake Peavy** of the White Sox.

National League position players who are invited to the All-Star Game as a result of Player Balloting are catcher **Yadier Molina** of the St. Louis Cardinals; first baseman **Bryan LaHair** of the Chicago Cubs; second baseman **Jose Altuve** of the Houston Astros; shortstop **Starlin Castro** of the Cubs; third baseman **David Wright** of the New York Mets; and outfielders **Ryan Braun** of the Milwaukee Brewers, **Carlos Gonzalez** of the Colorado Rockies and **Andrew McCutchen** of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

N.L. pitchers who have made the All-Star Game as a result of the Player Ballot include starters **Matt Cain** of the San Francisco Giants; **R.A. Dickey** of the Mets; **Lance Lynn** of the Cardinals; and Washington Nationals teammates **Gio Gonzalez** and **Stephen Strasburg**. The relievers who are All-Stars via the Player Ballot are **Aroldis Chapman** of the Cincinnati Reds; **Joel Hanrahan** of the Pirates; and **Craig Kimbrel** of the Atlanta Braves.

The 37-year-old knuckleballer Dickey, who was a first round pick in 1996, will make his Midsummer Classic debut in his 10th Major League season. With 12 wins so far this year, Dickey is bidding to become the first knuckleballer to post a 20-win season since Joe Niekro of the Astros in 1980.

The 23-year-old Strasburg, the top pick in the 2009 MLB First-Year Player Draft, has reached the All-Star Game faster than any other pitcher who was the Draft's number one overall selection. He is the fourth pitcher who was the top overall choice to make the Midsummer Classic, joining Floyd Bannister (1976 Draft, 1982 ASG), Mike Moore (1981 Draft, 1989 ASG) and Andy Benes (1988 Draft, 1993 ASG).

La Russa had nine selections to fill out the remainder of the N.L. roster. The four position players chosen by the manager, in conjunction with MLB, are catcher **Carlos Ruiz** of the Philadelphia Phillies; shortstop **Ian Desmond** of the Nationals; and outfielders **Jay Bruce** of the Reds and **Giancarlo Stanton** of the Miami Marlins. The five pitchers who are among La Russa's selections are teammates **Cole Hamels** and **Jonathan Papelbon** of

the Philadelphia Phillies; **Clayton Kershaw** of the Los Angeles Dodgers; **Wade Miley** of the Arizona Diamondbacks; and **Huston Street** of the San Diego Padres.

The 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote sponsored by Firestone will determine the 34th N.L. roster spot. The competitors are Braves teammates **Michael Bourn** (OF) and **Chipper Jones** (3B); third baseman **David Freese** of the Cardinals; outfielder **Bryce Harper** of the Nationals; and second baseman **Aaron Hill** of the D-backs.

Fans can now begin voting to select the final player for each League's 34-man roster via the 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote Sponsored by Firestone. Fans will cast their votes from the lists of five players from each League over a four-day period and the winners will be announced after the voting concludes at 4:00 p.m. (EDT) on Thursday, July 5th. The 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote Sponsored by Firestone began immediately following the show on MLB.com and the individual Club websites.

In addition to the web, fans again can use their mobile phones to cast votes via the mobile web at MLB.com/vote or via text message. To receive the 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote Sponsored by Firestone mobile ballot, text the word "VOTE" to 89269. To vote for a specific player, simply text message your choice to 89269. (EXAMPLE: Text "A3" to vote for AL Player 3 or "N3" to vote for NL Player 3.) Message and Data Rates may apply. Mobile voting in Canada also is available and fans should text their choices to 101010. Standard rates may apply.

The final phase of All-Star Game voting again will have fans participating in the official voting for the Ted Williams All-Star Game Most Valuable Player Award presented by Chevrolet. During the Midsummer Classic, fans will vote exclusively online at MLB.com via the 2012 MLB.com All-Star Game MVP Vote, and their collective voice will represent 20 percent of the official vote determining this year's recipient of the Arch Ward Trophy.

The 2012 All-Star Game will be played at Kauffman Stadium on Tuesday, July 10th. The 83rd All-Star Game will be televised nationally by FOX Sports; in Canada by Rogers Sportsnet and RDS; and worldwide by partners in more than 200 countries via MLB International's independent feed. Pregame ceremonies will begin at 8:00 p.m. (EDT)/7:00 p.m. (local). ESPN Radio and ESPN Radio Deportes will provide exclusive national radio coverage of the All-Star Game. MLB Network, MLB.com and SiriusXM also will provide comprehensive All-Star Week coverage. For more information, please visit allstargame.com or royals.com/2012.

Complete 2012 American League and National League rosters for the 83rd Midsummer Classic accompany this press release.

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PLAYER BALLOTING RESULTS

ITALICS INDICATE PLAYERS WHO BECAME ALL-STARS VIA FAN BALLOTING.

N.L. STARTING PITCHERS
R.A. Dickey, NYM – 342
Matt Cain, SF – 234
Stephen Strasburg, WSH – 233
Gio Gonzalez, WSH – 212
Lance Lynn, STL – 129

N.L. RELIEF PITCHERS
Aroldis Chapman, CIN – 239
Craig Kimbrel, ATL – 237
Joel Hanrahan, PIT – 106

N.L. CATCHERS
Yadier Molina, STL – 443

N.L. 1B
Joey Votto, CIN – 819
Bryan LaHair, CHI – 174

N.L. 2B
Jose Altuve, HOU – 369

N.L. 3B
David Wright, NYM – 767

N.L. SS
Starlin Castro, CHI – 352
Rafael Furcal, STL – 304

N.L. OF
Carlos Beltran, STL – 571
Melky Cabrera, SF – 504
Ryan Braun, MIL – 464
Andrew McCutchen, PIT – 432
Carlos Gonzalez, COL – 408

A.L. STARTING PITCHERS
Justin Verlander, DET – 258
Chris Sale, CWS – 242
CC Sabathia, NYY – 184
Jered Weaver, LAA – 168
David Price, TB – 158

A.L. RELIEF PITCHERS
Jim Johnson, BAL – 171
Chris Perez, CLE – 151
Fernando Rodney, TB – 119

A.L. CATCHERS
Matt Wieters, BAL – 319

A.L. 1B
Paul Konerko, CWS – 592
Prince Fielder, DET – 333

A.L. 2B
Robinson Cano, NYY – 582
Ian Kinsler, TEX – 219

A.L. 3B
Miguel Cabrera, DET – 508
Adrian Beltre, TEX – 398

A.L. SS
Derek Jeter, NYY – 476
Asdrubal Cabrera, CLE – 277

A.L. OF
Josh Hamilton, TEX – 613
Adam Jones, BAL – 480
Jose Bautista, TOR – 398
Curtis Granderson, NYY – 365
Mike Trout, LAA – 343
Mark Trumbo, LAA – 331

A.L. DH
David Ortiz, BOS – 434
Adam Dunn, CWS – 291

2012 NATIONAL LEAGUE ALL-STAR ROSTER

Bold = Fan-Elected Starter
^ = Player Ballot-Elected
* = Choice of Manager/MLB

Manager Tony La Russa
Terry Collins, NYM
Ron Roenicke, MIL

		All-Star	
PITCHERS (13)	**Club**	**Selections**	
CAIN, Matt, RH ^	Giants	3rd	
CHAPMAN, Aroldis, LH ^	Reds	1st	
DICKEY, R.A., RH ^	Mets	1st	
GONZALEZ, Gio, LH ^	Nationals	2nd	
HAMELS, Cole, LH *	Phillies	3rd	
HANRAHAN, Joel, RH ^	Pirates	2nd	
KERSHAW, Clayton, LH *	Dodgers	2nd	
KIMBREL, Craig, RH ^	Braves	2nd	
LYNN, Lance, RH ^	Cardinals	1st	
MILEY, Wade, LH *	D-backs	1st	
PAPELBON, Jonathan, RH *	Phillies	5th	
STRASBURG, Stephen, RH ^	Nationals	1st	
STREET, Huston, RH *	Padres	1st	
CATCHERS (3)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
MOLINA, Yadier ^	Cardinals	4th	
POSEY, Buster	Giants	1st	1st
RUIZ, Carlos *	Phillies	1st	
INFIELDERS (9)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
ALTUVE, Jose ^	Astros	1st	
CASTRO, Starlin ^	Cubs	2nd	
DESMOND, Ian *	Nationals	1st	
FURCAL, Rafael	Cardinals	3rd	1st
LaHAIR, Bryan ^	Cubs	1st	
SANDOVAL, Pablo	Giants	2nd	1st
UGGLA, Dan	Braves	3rd	1st
VOTTO, Joey	Reds	3rd	1st
WRIGHT, David ^	Mets	6th	
OUTFIELDERS (8)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
BELTRAN, Carlos	Cardinals	7th	5th
BRAUN, Ryan ^	Brewers	5th	
BRUCE, Jay *	Reds	2nd	
CABRERA, Melky	Giants	1st	1st
GONZALEZ, Carlos ^	Rockies	1st	
KEMP, Matt	Dodgers	2nd	2nd
McCUTCHEN, Andrew ^	Pirates	2nd	
STANTON, Giancarlo *	Marlins	1st	

N.L. Candidates, 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote sponsored by Firestone

- OF MICHAEL BOURN, BRAVES
- 3B DAVID FREESE, CARDINALS
- OF BRYCE HARPER, NATIONALS
- 2B AARON HILL, DIAMONDBACKS
- 3B CHIPPER JONES, BRAVES

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*** = Choice of Manager/MLB**

Manager Ron Washington, TEX
Bob Melvin, OAK
Ned Yost, KC

PITCHERS (Currently 12 Active)	Club	All-Star Selections	
COOK, Ryan, RH *	Athletics	1st	
HARRISON, Matt, LH *	Rangers	1st	
HERNANDEZ, Felix, RH *	Mariners	3rd	
JOHNSON, Jim, RH ^	Orioles	1st	
NATHAN, Joe, RH *	Rangers	5th	
PEREZ, Chris, RH ^	Indians	2nd	
PRICE, David, LH ^	Rays	3rd	
RODNEY, Fernando, RH ^	Rays	1st	
SABATHIA, CC, LH (DL, Inactive) ^	Yankees	6th	
SALE, Chris, LH ^	White Sox	1st	
VERLANDER, Justin, RH ^	Tigers	5th	
WEAVER, Jered, RH ^	Angels	3rd	
WILSON, C.J., LH *	Angels	2nd	
CATCHERS (3)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
MAUER, Joe *	Twins	5th	
NAPOLI, Mike	Rangers	1st	1st
WIETERS, Matt ^	Orioles	2nd	
INFIELDERS (9)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
ANDRUS, Elvis *	Rangers	2nd	
BELTRE, Adrian	Rangers	3rd	1st
CABRERA, Asdrubal ^	Indians	2nd	
CABRERA, Miguel ^	Tigers	7th	
CANO, Robinson	Yankees	4th	3rd
FIELDER, Prince	Tigers	4th	3rd
JETER, Derek	Yankees	13th	8th
KINSLER, Ian ^	Rangers	3rd	
KONERKO, Paul ^	White Sox	6th	
OUTFIELDERS (6)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
BAUTISTA, Jose	Blue Jays	3rd	2nd
GRANDERSON, Curtis	Yankees	3rd	2nd
HAMILTON, Josh	Rangers	5th	5th
JONES, Adam ^	Orioles	2nd	
TROUT, Mike ^	Angels	1st	
TRUMBO, Mark ^	Angels	1st	
DESIGNATED HITTERS (3)	**Club**	**Selections**	**Elections**
BUTLER, Billy *	Royals	1st	
DUNN, Adam ^	White Sox	2nd	
ORTIZ, David	Red Sox	8th	6th

A.L. Candidates, 2012 All-Star Game MLB.com Final Vote sponsored by Firestone

- RHP Jonathan Broxton, Royals
- RHP Yu Darvish, Rangers
- RHP Ernesto Frieri, Angels
- RHP Jason Hammel, Orioles
- RHP Jake Peavy, White Sox