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Oakland A's to Celebrate African American Heritage Night on Aug. 7

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's will celebrate the rich heritage of Oakland's black history during African American Heritage Night on Tuesday, Aug. 7, when the team hosts the Los Angeles Dodgers.

As part of the celebration, fans are invited to a pregame mixer and panel discussion with former players Rickey Henderson, Vida Blue and Joe Morgan, plus A's team executives, at 4:30 p.m. in the Eastside Club.

Prior to the 7:05 p.m. game, the A's will present the inaugural Vida Blue Diamond Award to a deserving community member for their service to the African American community. Following the presentation, Tony! Toni! Toné! will perform the African American national anthem, and Bebe Memorial Cathedral Choir will perform the national anthem. MC Hammer is scheduled to throw out the ceremonial first pitch.

Fans with a special event ticket will receive an exclusive A's African American Heritage Night baseball cap. Funds raised through the special ticket will benefit the Oakland Athletic League and Oakland Babe Ruth Cal Ripken Baseball League.

For more information or to purchase a special event ticket, visit athletics.com/africanamerican.

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