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**Stephen Vogt Named A's Nominee for the
2015 Roberto Clemente Award Presented by Chevrolet
Beginning on Roberto Clemente Day, Fans Can Vote on ChevyBaseball.com for the Overall Winner and
Register for a Chance to Win a Trip to the 2015 World Series**

OAKLAND, Calif. – Major League Baseball and Chevrolet, the official vehicle of MLB, today announced that Stephen Vogt was named the Oakland A's 2015 nominee for the prestigious Roberto Clemente Award presented by Chevrolet.

Wednesday, September 16th marks the 14th annual Roberto Clemente Day, which was established by Major League Baseball to honor Clemente's legacy and to officially recognize local Club nominees of the Roberto Clemente Award presented by Chevrolet. Vogt is one of the 30 Club finalists for the annual award, which recognizes a Major League Baseball player who best represents the game of baseball through positive contributions on and off the field, including sportsmanship and community involvement. The Roberto Clemente Award presented by Chevrolet pays tribute to Clemente's achievements and character by recognizing current players who truly understand the value of helping others.

Vogt is an active supporter of the School of Imagination in Dublin, Calif. He and his wife, Alyssa, have made multiple visits to the school this year to work with autistic and special-needs children. He has also hosted the school at O.co Coliseum various times, meeting with students on the field during batting practice and offering them tickets to A's games. In addition, Vogt has supported numerous other A's initiatives and programs, regularly meeting with fans at the ballpark and in the community.

"The Oakland A's are excited to have Stephen Vogt recognized as our nominee for the 2015 Roberto Clemente Award," said Ken Pries, A's Vice President of Broadcasting and Communications. "Whether he's visiting children at the School of Imagination or performing at an All-Star caliber behind the plate, Stephen has been nothing but a positive influence for our community both on and off the field. He's extremely deserving of this honor."

The distinguished list of past Roberto Clemente Award winners includes 16 members of the National Baseball Hall of Fame:

1971	Willie Mays+**	1983	Cecil Cooper	1995	Ozzie Smith+	2007	Craig Biggio+
1972	Brooks Robinson+**	1984	Ron Guidry	1996	Kirby Puckett+	2008	Albert Pujols
1973	Al Kaline+	1985	Don Baylor	1997	Eric Davis	2009	Derek Jeter
1974	Willie Stargell+	1986	Garry Maddox	1998	Sammy Sosa	2010	Tim Lincecum
1975	Lou Brock+	1987	Rick Sutcliffe	1999	Tony Gwynn+	2011	David Ortiz
1976	Pete Rose	1988	Dale Murphy	2000	Al Leiter	2012	Clayton Kershaw
1977	Rod Carew+	1989	Gary Carter+	2001	Curt Schilling	2013	Carlos Beltran
1978	Greg Luzinski	1990	Dave Stewart	2002	Jim Thome	2014	Paul Konerko *
1979	Andre Thornton	1991	Harold Reynolds	2003	Jamie Moyer	2014	Jimmy Rollins *
1980	Phil Niekro+	1992	Cal Ripken, Jr.+	2004	Edgar Martinez		
1981	Steve Garvey	1993	Barry Larkin+	2005	John Smoltz+		
1982	Ken Singleton	1994	Dave Winfield+	2006	Carlos Delgado		

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+ Member of The National Baseball Hall of Fame

*** Co-winner**

**** Originally known as the Commissioner's Award (prior to 1973)**

Beginning on Roberto Clemente Day, fans are encouraged to participate in the process of selecting the winner of the Roberto Clemente Award presented by Chevrolet by visiting ChevyBaseball.com, which is powered by MLB Advanced Media, to vote for one of the 30 Club nominees. Voting ends on Friday, October 9th, and participating fans will be automatically registered for a chance to win a trip to the 2015 World Series, where the winner of the Roberto Clemente Award presented by Chevrolet will be announced.

Clubs playing at home on September 16th will recognize their local nominees as part of Roberto Clemente Day ceremonies, while visiting Clubs will honor their nominees before another September home game. As part of the league-wide celebration, the Roberto Clemente Day logo will appear on the bases and official dugout lineup cards and a special tribute video will be played in ballparks.

The concept of honoring players for their philanthropic work was created in 1971 as the "Commissioner's Award," but was renamed to the "Roberto Clemente Award" in 1973 in honor of the Hall of Famer and 15-time All-Star who died in a plane crash on New Year's Eve 1972 while attempting to deliver supplies to earthquake victims in Nicaragua. Each September since 2002, Major League Baseball has commemorated Roberto Clemente Day.

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