MEDIA INFORMATION

FOX SPORTS ANNOUNCES 2009 MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL POSTSEASON TELEVISION SCHEDULE WITH EARLIER START TIMES

For the First Time Since 1971 A Regularly-Scheduled Weeknight World Series Game Begins Prior to 8 PM ET

Veteran Analyst Tim McCarver Calls an Unmatched 20th World Series; Joe Buck Ties Curt Gowdy & Vin Scully for Record 12th World Series Play-by-Play Assignment

New York & Los Angeles – FOX Sports' exclusive coverage of two of Major League Baseball's premier postseason events, the American League Championship Series and World Series begins this Friday, October 16th (7:30 PM ET) when the New York Yankees host the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim in Game 1 of the ALCS. This year marks the networks 14th straight as a television home for postseason baseball and the 2009 Fall Classic will be FOX's 10th consecutive of the event and 12th overall.

This year's ALCS and World Series games begin earlier than in recent years with coverage starting at 7:30 PM ET on most days. The last time a regularly-scheduled World Series game played during the week (Mon-Fri) started before 8:00 PM ET was 38 years ago when the Baltimore Orioles faced the Pittsburgh Pirates in Game 5 of the 1971 World Series. Coverage on FOX begins with the MLB on FOX pregame show hosted by Chris Rose at 7:30 PM ET for weeknight games with first pitch scheduled for 7:57 PM ET. Rose is joined each night by analyst Eric Karros and Mark Grace from the FOX Network Center in Los Angeles. The World Series will now have the earliest start time of any U.S. major sports championship excluding the Super Bowl.

"Prime time postseason games on FOX have always been scheduled for a window that maximizes the potential audience from coast to coast," said FOX Sports President Ed Goren. "The fact is that over the last few years, games have been ending a bit later than we'd like. This new schedule, made possible through the cooperation of our stations, affiliates and Major League Baseball, should help fans of all ages see weeknight games from start to finish."

The Emmy Award-winning broadcast team of Joe Buck and Tim McCarver anchor FOX Sports' MLB postseason coverage, calling both the ALCS and World Series. The 2009 World Series marks McCarver's 20th behind the microphone, adding to his record-setting achievement. Buck calls his 12th World Series this October (all on FOX and with McCarver) and with that ties Vin Scully and Curt Gowdy for most World Series called by a play-by-play announcer.

David Hill and Ed Goren are the Executive Producers of FOX Sports. Bill Brown is Senior Producer. Scott Ackerson is the Coordinating Producer of MLB on FOX' studio coverage; Don Bui produces. Pete Macheska is lead game producer of FOX Sports' Major League Baseball coverage. Bill Webb directs.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

New York Yankees vs. Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim

Schedule Subject to Change/All Times Eastern

DATE	GAME	LOCATION	TIME
Friday, Oct. 16	GAME 1	Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY	7:30 PM
Saturday, Oct. 17	GAME 2	Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY	7:30 PM
Monday, Oct. 19	GAME 3	Angel Stadium, Anaheim, CA	4:00 PM
Tuesday, Oct. 20	GAME 4	Angel Stadium, Anaheim, CA	7:30 PM
*Thursday, Oct. 22	GAME 5	Angel Stadium, Anaheim, CA	7:30 PM
**Saturday, Oct. 24	GAME 6	Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY	4:00 PM
*Sunday, Oct. 25	GAME 7	Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY	8:00 PM

105th WORLD SERIES

Schedule Subject to Change/All Times Eastern

DATE	GAME	LOCATION	TIME
Wednesday, Oct. 28	GAME 1	American League City	7:30 PM
Thursday, Oct. 29	GAME 2	American League City	7:30 PM
Saturday, Oct. 31	GAME 3	National League City	7:30 PM
Sunday, Nov. 1	GAME 4	National League City	8:00 PM
*Monday, Nov. 2	GAME 5	National League City	7:30 PM
*Wednesday, Nov. 4	GAME 6	American League City	7:30 PM
*Thursday, Nov. 5	GAME 7	American League City	7:30 PM

* If necessary
** Game moves to 7:30 PM if NLCS ends prior to or on 10/23

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