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Network recognized for outstanding live sporting event, outstanding sports documentary and outstanding sports interview/discussion

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CHICAGO – Marquee Sports Network last night earned three Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards, including outstanding live sporting event, outstanding sports documentary, and outstanding achievement for a sports interview/discussion. The network earned 12 total nominations across eight different categories.

Marquee Sports Network was honored with the following Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy Awards (more info on each below, including official entrants and program description):

- Cubs Game at Pirates: May 26, 2021 Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Live Sporting Event – Single Game/Series
- Mayor of Rush Street
 Outstanding Achievement for Sports Documentary
- Class is in Session Special: MLB's Decision on All-Star Game Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Interview/Discussion – Short or Long Form Content

"We're honored to receive three Emmy awards, as well as 12 total nominations, recognizing our work with Cubs game broadcasts, original programming and marketing," said Marquee Sports Network General Manager Mike McCarthy. "Congratulations to Mike Santini, Deb Schneider, Amy McDevitt, Alli Bertucci and the incredible production, programming, marketing, digital and tech ops teams at Marquee Sports Network, producing innovative, engaging content in the face of numerous broadcast challenges resulting from the Covid pandemic. We also want to congratulate our partners at Stadium and MLB Network for their outstanding work on these programs, as well as the crew at Cubs Productions, which earned multiple Emmy Awards of their own, and we are proud to showcase their work on Marquee. We look forward to 2022 and continuing to bring unique programming to Cubs fans and all sports fans."

In addition to the categories above, Marquee Sports Network also received Emmy nominations for the following categories: outstanding achievement for a live sports program (*Cubs Live!*), outstanding achievement for a post-produced sports program (*Let's Play Two*), outstanding achievement for commercials (Marquee Manifesto), outstanding crafts achievement for on-camera sports talent (Cole Wright, Carlos Peña, Doug Glanville) and outstanding crafts achievement for sports photographer (Scott Changnon). The full list of all 12 nominations can be found <u>here</u>.

"Each of these awards and nominations represent full team efforts from our hard-working staff here at Marquee Sports Network. Our best-in-class booth of Boog Sciambi and Jim Deshaies, producers and directors Nick Steger, Mike Leary, Mike Fox, Todd Benjaminson, Andrew Miller and Kevin Dusold, and many others, are very worthy of this acknowledgement. Of particular note is the work of Doug Glanville, Maleek Ndile and the entire crew at Stadium for the groundbreaking show, *Class is in Session*, as well as Ryan Dempster's unique contribution to our game coverage, which the Emmy committee noted," said Marquee Sports Network SVP of Programming and Production, Mike Santini. "I'm humbled to work alongside these talented individuals who go above and beyond every step of the way."

More information on each of the awards can be found below, including entrants (listed alphabetically) and program description.

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Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Live Sporting Event - Single Game/Series

Cubs Game at Pirates: May 26, 2021: Todd Benjaminson, Ryan Dempster, Jim Deshaies, Mike Fox, Nick Helling, Mike Leary, Maleek Ndile, Paula Oskroba, Michael Santini, Debby Schneider, Jon Sciambi, Nick Steger

While the Covid-19 pandemic created numerous broadcasting obstacles, Marquee Sports Network took advantage of a unique opportunity for the Cubs' May 26 game at PNC Park, debuting a series of instructional, in-game segments featuring Ryan Dempster. Throughout the course of the Cubs' 4-1 victory, broadcasters Boog Sciambi, Jim Deshaies and Taylor McGregor threw it down to Ryan Dempster, live on the field at Wrigley Field, as he demonstrated proper technique for backing up bases, bunting and more all in reaction to real-life events happening hundreds of miles away at PNC Park.

Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Documentary

Mayor of Rush Street: Andrew Brenner, Vincent Coccia, Bruce Cornblatt, Tony Ferraiolo, David Matz, Maleek Ndile, Dave Patterson, Michael Santini, Paul Solga, Nick Steger, Jed Tuminaro, Bob Vorwald

Harry Caray was a unique talent and broadcaster, a larger than life personality with a colorful life story. In "Mayor of Rush Street," new interviews and archival footage brings to life Harry's love affair with baseball, the Cubs, fans and the nightlife with an entertaining and comedic style.

Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Interview/Discussion – Short or Long Form Content

Class is in Session Special: MLB's Decision on All-Star Game: Adam Anshell, Doug Glanville, Samuel Hale, Lou Hinkhouse, James MacNichol, Maleek Ndile, Willie Parker, Pat Reilly, Joseph Riley, Michael Santini, Alex Symonds

Doug Glanville sits down with guests Jason Heyward, Curtis Granderson and Ken Rosenthal to discuss what led to MLB's decision to move the All-Star Game, the role of players in that decision and how The Players Alliance is going above and beyond to impact all communities, including Atlanta. "Class is in Session" is a monthly show hosted by Doug Glanville, exploring the intersection between sports and larger society.

ABOUT MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK: In partnership with the Chicago Cubs and Sinclair Broadcast Group (Nasdaq: SBGI), Marquee Sports Network brings together one of the most iconic sports franchises in the country with one of the largest television broadcasting companies to deliver unparalleled Cubs coverage, as well as additional local live sporting events and original programming. Marquee Sports Network is available within the Cubs home television territory in portions of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin, and is carried on more than 50 cable providers, as well as streaming platforms DIRECTV STREAM (formerly AT&T TV) and fuboTV. For more information, visit <u>marqueesportsnetwork.com/about</u>.

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