



CALIFORNIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME TO INDUCT INAUGURAL CLASS

Induction Dinner will take place on January 28, 2007 – Tickets Now Available

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November 13th, 2006 – Alta Loma, CA -- The California Sports Hall of Fame (CSHOF) will induct its first annual Hall of Fame class of inductees on January 28, 2007. The inaugural class of 19 athletes include sports legends Marcus Allen, and Jackie Robinson. The Induction Dinner will be held at the Hilton Anaheim at 5:00pm.

The evening will also showcase Hollywood personalities. A variety of sponsorship opportunities are available, including purchasing tables or individual seats. Tickets begin at \$500 and table rates include event advertising and sponsorship benefits. For complete details, visit www.californiasportshalloffame.org for all registration information.

The ceremony will officially kick-off the CSHOF, a non-profit corporation, whose primary focus is to educate talented young men and women of California, and through its Museum showcase California Sports History. The CSHOF will honor and recognize the accomplishments and contributions of the men and women who have excelled in their respective areas of sports and sports media in the state of California first, then nationally and worldwide.

The complete list of the first Hall of Fame class selected by the CSHOF Board Members includes: Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Marcus Allen, Elgin Baylor, Wilt Chamberlain, Eric Dickerson, Tom Flores, Chick Hearn, Reggie Jackson, Magic Johnson, Rafer Johnson, Deacon Jones, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Tommy Lasorda, Bob Mathias, Jim Plunkett, Jackie Robinson, Bill Walsh, Jerry West, Kellen Winslow, and John Wooden.

The California Sports Hall of Fame was founded by former Kansas City Chiefs All-Pro Running Back and Azusa Pacific standout Christian Okoye. He also serves as President.

“The state of California has such a rich athletic tradition and there wasn’t a Hall of Fame recognizing the caliber of athlete this state has enjoyed during its history,” Okoye said. He added, “We now have a chance to honor California sports history and this first class truly exemplifies excellence!”

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One of the California Sports Hall Of Fame’s missions is to capture the passion children and young adults have for sports, and direct that energy to enhance their educational and personal goals. Through the organization's efforts and resources, the California Sports Hall of Fame will support and promote education and sports among children and young men and women throughout the state of California.

The California Sports Hall of Fame is located in Rancho Cucamonga and has plans to build a California Sports Museum in Irvine. Contact: Christian Christian@californiasportshalloffame.org 909 481 3541

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