

NBA and WNBA alums return to Toronto for the sixth annual UHN's West Park Tournament of Stars

Toronto, ON (March 12, 2025) – The sixth annual <u>West Park Foundation Tournament of Stars</u> returns this month to support UHN's West Park Healthcare Centre and its life-changing rehabilitation services. NBA and WNBA alumni players and hoop-loving West Park supporters will come together on **Saturday, March 22** at the Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport at U of T for an exciting **celebrity basketball tournament**.

Teams will hit the courts for a one-of-a-kind experience, competing alongside former NBA and WNBA stars including seven-time NBA All-Star Joe Johnson, five-time WNBA All-Star and two-time WNBA scoring champion Angel McCoughtry, two-time NBA All-Star Carlos Boozer and NBA All-Star Jamaal Magloire, to raise critical funds for UHN's West Park Healthcare Centre and its work helping people get their lives back after serious injury and illness, including stroke, amputation, lung disease, and severe trauma.

"For more than 120 years West Park has been helping people regain their independence after a health crisis," says **Doug Earle, CEO of West Park Foundation**. "By supporting the Tournament of Stars, you're helping patients as they work hard to recover and return to the lives they love. We are extremely grateful to the participants, sponsors and donors for their generous support of the tournament."

<u>Tickets</u> to attend and watch the tournament are available for \$25. It's a family-friendly, fun-filled day of basketball that also features a 3-point competition open to all attendees as well as a kids' skills clinic.

2025 Celebrity Players includes:

- Seven-time NBA All-Star Joe Johnson
- Five-time WNBA All-Star and two-time WNBA Scoring Champion Angel McCoughtry
- NBA Champion and four-time NBA All-Star Metta Sandiford-Artest (formerly known as Metta World Peace)
- Two-time NBA All-Star Carlos Boozer
- NBA Champion and two-time NBA All-Star Rashard Lewis
- NBA All-Star and former Raptors player Jamaal Magloire
- Former Raptors Michael Bradley, Matt Bonner, Jerome "JYD" Williams and Jamario Moon
- As well as former professional players Cuttino Mobley, Ticha Penicheiro, Corey Maggette, Mario West, Mario Chalmers and Ricky Davis





UHN's West Park Tournament of Stars 2024

2025 Event Highlights

- Celebrity Draft Night On Friday, March 21 at the Toronto Events Centre, participating teams will gather for an exclusive draft cocktail party, where they'll pick their NBA/WNBA alum based on their team's fundraising efforts. The more a team raises, the higher their draft pick. NBA/WNBA alums will pitch why they should be the first pick in the draft.
- Celebrity Basketball Tournament On Saturday, March 22 at the University of Toronto's Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport, the tournament heats up with five-on-five competitions. The day also consists of a three-point contest, and a kids' basketball clinic hosted by Jerome "Junkyard Dog" Williams.

Those looking to show off their skills, play alongside the pros and support a good cause can visit <u>WestParkTournamentofStars.ca</u> to register, donate or secure tickets.





UHN's West Park Tournament of Stars 2024, Kids' basketball Clinic

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About West Park Healthcare Centre

UHN's West Park Healthcare Centre is a national leader in rehabilitation and complex continuing care, and a member of the University Health Network family of hospitals. Located in west Toronto, West Park helps people recover from life-altering illness or injury, regain their independence and get back to their lives. Tournament of Stars raises funds for the <u>West Park Foundation's Get Your Life Back Campaign</u>, to support West Park's ongoing campus redevelopment, high-quality patient care and leading-edge education and research.