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Facts

- **2007 Fall League Hall of Fame Inductees**
 - Jermaine Dye
 - Torii Hunter
 - Derrek Lee
 - Ken Macha
- **Nearly 1,500 former Fall Leaguers have reached the major leagues**
- **407 Ex-AFLers On '07 MLB Opening-Day Rosters**
- **83 Class of '06 Fall Leaguers reach major leagues in '07**
- **Over 100 MLB All-Stars including 24 in 2007**
- **4 MLB MVPs**
 - Jason Giambi
 - Ryan Howard
 - Justin Morneau
 - Albert Pujols
- **3 Cy Young Award winners**
 - Chris Carpenter
 - Roy Halladay
 - Brandon Webb
- **14 MLB Rookies-of-the-Year**
- **7 MLB batting champions**
- **10 MLB hits leaders**
- **3 MLB RBI leaders**
- **1 MLB home-run leader**
- **30 MLB Silver Sluggers**
- **20 MLB Gold Glove Awards**
- **20 MLB managers**
- **30 MLB umpires**
- **68 administrators serving the baseball industry**

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Rising Stars Showcase Rosters

Phoenix, Arizona — The Arizona Fall League stages its second annual “Rising Stars Showcase” at 7:05 p.m. on Friday, October 26 at Surprise Stadium, the spring home of the Kansas City Royals and Texas Rangers.

Pitting the East Division (Mesa Solar Sox, Phoenix Desert Dogs, Scottsdale Scorpions) vs. the West Division (Peoria Javelinas, Peoria Saguaros, Surprise Rafters), the contest features elite prospects currently playing in the Fall League.

Executive Director Steve Cobb says, “Our first ‘Rising Stars’ game last year was so successful we’ve decided to make it an annual event. It places as many top prospects as possible on one field at one time. It’s a natural way to showcase the tremendous talent rising in baseball. Fans and scouts can watch top pitchers face top hitters. Players from last year’s ‘Rising Stars’ game who turned heads in the major leagues in 2007 include Ryan Braun, Yunel Escobar, Kevin Kousmanoff, Hunter Pence, Mark Reynolds, Jarrod Saltalamacchia, and two players who will be in the World Series, Red Sox center fielder Jacoby Ellsbury and Rockies shortstop Troy Tulowitzki.”

Friday’s game is scheduled for the World Series travel day to fill a void for baseball fans.

Scouting and minor league directors of every organization had the opportunity to complete a ballot to select the players for Friday’s game. Most roster selections were based upon their input.

The coaching staffs of the East Division Phoenix Desert Dogs — manager Rafael Santana (White Sox) and coaches Gary Lucas (Twins), Kimera Bertee (Orioles), Brandon Moore (Pirates), and Todd Steverson (Athletics) — and West Division Surprise Rafters — manager Damon Berryhill (Rangers) and coaches Steve Luebber (Royals), Jon Nunnally (Indians) — earned the right to skipper Friday’s contest by virtue of having their teams in first place in their respective divisions through the end of play last week (Saturday, October 20).

Following Friday’s “Rising Stars Showcase,” the six-team Arizona Fall League resumes play the next day, Saturday, October 27 and continues with games Monday-Saturday through Thursday, November 15. Team USA and Team China each play every Fall League club from Thursday, October 25-Thursday, November 1. The league championship game will be held at 12:30 p.m. at Scottsdale Stadium on Saturday, November 17.

Visit www.mlbfallball.com for current Arizona Fall League information.

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2007 Arizona Fall League “Rising Stars Showcase” Rosters

East Division

Pitchers

Mitch Boggs, RHP, Solar Sox/Cardinals
David Davidson, LHP, Desert Dogs/Pirates
Jack Egbert, RHP, Desert Dogs/White Sox
Bob McCrory, RHP, Desert Dogs/Orioles
Ryan Mullins, LHP, Desert Dogs/Twins
Carlos Muniz, RHP, Scorpions/Mets
David Purcey, LHP, Scorpions/Blue Jays
Max Scherzer, RHP, Scorpions/Diamondbacks
James Simmons, RHP, Desert Dogs/Athletics
Mitch Stetter, LHP, Solar Sox/Brewers
Esmerling Vasquez, RHP, Scorpions/Diamondbacks

Catchers

Dusty Brown, Solar Sox/Red Sox
John Jaso, Scorpions/Devil Rays

Infielders

Jeff Baisley, Desert Dogs/Athletics
Reid Brignac, Scorpions/Devil Rays
Mike Carp, Scorpions/Mets
Jed Lowrie, Solar Sox/Red Sox
Trevor Plouffe, Desert Dogs/Twins
Eugenio Velez, Scorpions/Giants

Outfielders

Sam Fuld, Solar Sox/Cubs
Matt LaPorta, Solar Sox/Brewers
Andrew McCutchen, Desert Dogs/Pirates
Nolan Reimold, Desert Dogs/Orioles
Travis Snider, Scorpions/Blue Jays
Ryan Sweeney, Desert Dogs/White Sox

West Division

Pitchers

Adam Carr, RHP, Javelinas/Nationals
David Huff, LHP, Rafters/Indians
Dusty Hughes, LHP, Rafters/Royals
Greg Miller, LHP, Saguaros/Dodgers
Charlie Morton, RHP, Javelinas/Braves
Scott Nestor, RHP, Saguaros/Marlins
Darren O’Day, RHP, Rafters/Angels
Joe Savery, LHP, Saguaros, Phillies
Pedro Viola, LHP, Rafters/Reds
Kevin Whelan, RHP, Javelinas/Yankees
Joe Woerman, RHP, Javelinas/Mariners

Catchers

Jeff Clement, Javelinas/Mariners
Brett Hayes, Saguaros/Marlins

Infielders

Matt Antonelli, Saguaros/Padres
Christian Colonel, Javelinas/Rockies
Michael Costanzo, Saguaros/Phillies
German Duran, Rafters/Rangers
Chin-Lung Hu, Saguaros/Dodgers
Jeff Larish, Saguaros/Tigers

Outfielders

Trevor Crowe, Rafters/Indians
Dexter Fowler, Javelinas/Rockies
Justin Maxwell, Javelinas/Nationals
John Mayberry, Rafters/Rangers
Cameron Maybin, Saguaros/Tigers
Jordan Schafer, Javelinas/Braves