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ERA COMMITTEES ELECTIONS

The National Baseball Hall of Fame will take the first steps toward Induction Weekend 2023 this weekend in San Diego, Calif., as the Contemporary Baseball Era Committee considers a ballot of eight players for Hall of Fame election...Results of the vote will be announced at 8 p.m. ET on Sunday, Dec. 4 live on MLB Network's *MLB Tonight*...Any electees to emerge from the Contemporary Baseball Era Committee balloting will be honored during Hall of Fame Weekend 2023, July 21-24 in Cooperstown...The 2023 Hall of Fame *Induction Ceremony* will be held at 1:30 p.m. ET on July 23.

ANNOUNCING THE RESULTS: Hall of Fame President Josh Rawitch will announce the results of the Contemporary Baseball Era Committee balloting at 8 p.m. ET Sunday, Dec. 4, live on MLB Network's *MLB Tonight*...If any electees emerge from the voting, Zoom calls with each individual electee are expected to be held Sunday evening.

THE CONTEMPORARY BASEBALL ERA PLAYERS BALLOT: Eight former players were named Nov. 7 to the Hall of Fame's Contemporary Baseball Era Committee Players Ballot...The eight finalists include: **Albert Belle, Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Don Mattingly, Fred McGriff, Dale Murphy, Rafael Palmeiro** and **Curt Schilling**...The Contemporary Baseball Era Committee considers candidates whose primary contribution to the game came from 1980 through the present...All eight candidates are living...Any candidate who receives votes on 75 percent of the ballots cast by the 16-member Contemporary Baseball Era Committee will be elected and enshrined as part of the Class of 2023.

THE CONTEMPORARY BASEBALL ERA ELECTORATE: The 16-member Contemporary Baseball Era Committee electorate features Hall of Fame members **Chipper Jones, Greg Maddux, Jack Morris, Ryne Sandberg, Lee Smith, Frank Thomas** and **Alan Trammell**; major league executives **Paul Beeston, Theo Epstein, Arte Moreno, Kim Ng, Dave St. Peter** and **Ken Williams**; and veteran media members/historians **Steve Hirdt, LaVelle Neal** and **Susan Slusser**... Hall of Fame Chairman of the Board **Jane Forbes Clark** will serve as the non-voting Chairman of the Contemporary Baseball Era Committee...The Contemporary Baseball Era Committee players ballot was devised by the Baseball Writers' Association of America-appointed Historical Overview Committee, comprised of 11 veteran members: **Bob Elliott** (*Canadian Baseball Network*); **Jim Henneman** (formerly *Baltimore Sun*); **Steve Hirdt** (*Stats Perform*); **Rick Hummel** (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*); **David O'Brien** (*The Athletic*); **Jack O'Connell** (BBWAA); **Jim Reeves** (formerly *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*); **Tracy Ringolsby** (*InsideTheSeams.com*); **Glenn Schwarz** (formerly *San Francisco Chronicle*); **Susan Slusser** (*San Francisco Chronicle*); and **Mark Whicker** (*Southern California News Group*)...The HOC annually sets ballots for the Era Committee elections.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE: The Contemporary Baseball Era players ballot covers candidates whose most significant career impact was realized from 1980 through the present... Eligible candidates include: Players who played in at least 10 major league seasons who have been retired for at least 15 years and who are not on Major League Baseball's ineligible list.

FUTURE ELECTIONS: The *Contemporary Baseball Era* will split into two separate ballots – one ballot to consider only players who made their greatest impact on the game since 1980, and another composite ballot consisting of managers, executives and umpires whose greatest contributions to the game have come since 1980... Each of these three Era Committees – the Contemporary Baseball Era player ballot, the Contemporary Baseball Era non-player ballot, and the Classic Baseball Era composite ballot – will rotate on an annual basis, and each ballot will consist of eight candidates... Effective beginning in January 2023, eligible players must have been retired for 16 or more seasons, equal to a one-year waiting period following their final potential year of eligibility on the BBWAA ballot... Eras considered for yearly election are as follows: December 2022 (for Class of 2023) – *Contemporary Baseball/Players*; December 2023 (for Class of 2024) – *Contemporary Baseball/Managers-Umpires-Executives*; December 2024 (for Class of 2025) – *Classic Baseball*... This cycle will repeat every three years, with Contemporary Baseball/Players eligible for consideration again in December 2025 for the Class of 2026.

HISTORY OF THE VETERANS COMMITTEE

The Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has been a part of the Hall of Fame voting process since the first class of electees in 1936, with the first Veterans Committee electees coming in 1937... In all its forms, the Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has elected 179 individuals (105 major leaguers, 33 executives, 22 managers, nine Negro Leaguers and 10 umpires) to the Hall of Fame.

THE COMMITTEE ON BASEBALL VETERANS: In 1953, the Baseball Hall of Fame Committee on Baseball Veterans was formed, outlining parameters that were similar through 2001, though with some variance throughout its time... Voting was conducted every other year from 1953-1959, with annual votes from 1961 until 2001... From 1961 through 2001, the Committee elected 101 members in 41 meetings, electing a candidate on all but three occasions: 1988, 1990 and 1993.

TURN OF THE CENTURY CHANGES: From 2001 through 2007, the Hall of Fame's Committee on Baseball Veterans considered long-retired players, managers, umpires and executives on a bi-annual cycle featuring one ballot for players and another for managers, umpires and executives... The electorate was comprised of the living members of the Hall of Fame, the living recipients of the BBWAA Career Excellence Award, the living recipients of the Ford C. Frick Award and Veterans Committee members whose terms had not yet expired... Beginning in 2003, the Committee held its election of players every other year... Also beginning in 2003, the election of managers, umpires and executives was held every four years... The three players elections (2003, 2005 and 2007) and the two composite-ballot elections (2003 and 2007) produced no candidates who received the 75 percent of the vote necessary for election.

REVAMPING THE PROCESS: From 2007 to 2010, the Hall of Fame's Committee on Baseball Veterans was revamped to consider managers and umpires on one ballot, executives and pioneers on one ballot, players who began their big league careers prior to 1943 on one ballot and players who were retired for at least 21 seasons and whose careers began after 1942 on a fourth ballot... The electorates consisted of panels of Hall of Famers, executives and media members... Players whose big league careers began after 1942 were considered every other year, with the managers/umpires and executive pioneers ballots considered in the opposite years from the players... Players whose big league careers began prior to 1943 were considered every five years starting in the fall of 2008... In the fall of 2007, the Committee considered the managers/umpires ballot and the executives/pioneers ballot... Managers **Billy Southworth** and **Dick Williams** each received 13 of a possible 16 votes (81.3%) to earn election from the managers/umpires ballot, while **Barney Dreyfuss** (10 of 12 votes, 83%), **Bowie Kuhn** (10 of 12 votes, 83%) and **Walter O'Malley** (9 of 12 votes, 75%) were elected from the executives/pioneers ballot... In the fall of 2008, **Joe Gordon** received 10 of 12 votes (83%) to earn election from the pre-1943 players ballot... No player reached the 75 percent threshold needed for election on the post-1942 players ballot... In the fall of 2009, the managers/umpires and the executives/pioneers ballots were again considered... Umpire **Doug Harvey** (15 of 16 votes, 93.8%) and manager **Whitey Herzog** (14 of 16 votes, 87.5%) were elected from the managers/umpires ballot... No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/pioneers ballot.

A NEW ERA: From 2011-15, the Veterans Committee transitioned to the Eras Committee, which featured three candidate categories based on the era in which the candidate left his or her most indelible mark... The Expansion Era Committee, the Golden Era Committee and the Pre-Integration Era Committee met on a three-year rotating basis, with two complete cycles of the committee votes held from 2011-15... The Expansion Era Committee elected executive **Pat Gillick** to the Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2011 in its first session, then elected managers **Bobby Cox**, **Tony La Russa** and **Joe Torre** to the Class of 2014... The Golden Era Committee elected **Ron Santo** as part of the Class of 2012, with no Golden Era candidates receiving the necessary 75 percent of the vote to be elected with the Class of 2015... The Pre-Integration Era Committee elected umpire **Hank O'Day**, executive **Jacob Ruppert** and third baseman **Deacon White** to the Class of 2013, with no Pre-Integration Era candidates reaching the 75-percent mark needed to be included with the Class of 2016.

FOUR FOR ALL: In 2016, the Hall of Fame Board of Directors revamped the eras committees, placing a much greater emphasis on modern eras... Additionally, those major league players, managers, umpires and executives who excelled before 1950, as well as Negro Leagues stars, still had an opportunity to have their careers reviewed, but with less frequency... Four eras for committee consideration were identified: Today's Game (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1988 to the present); Modern Baseball (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1970 to 1987); Golden Days (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1950 to 1969); and Early Baseball (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball prior to 1950).

VETERAN INFLUENCE: The Veterans Committee, in all its forms, has been electing players to the Hall of Fame since 1937, when **Morgan Bulkeley, Ban Johnson, Connie Mack, John McGraw** and **George Wright** comprised the first Veterans Committee class...The largest class came in 1946 when 11 men were elected to the Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee...The 11 electees in 1946 were: **Jesse Burkett, Frank Chance, Jack Chesbro, Johnny Evers, Clark Griffith, Tommy McCarthy, Joe McGinnity, Eddie Plank, Joe Tinker, Rube Waddell** and **Ed Walsh**...The 17 former Negro league players and executives chosen for enshrinement in 2006 were elected through a special committee on Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues candidates.

FRICK AND BBWAA CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD FINALISTS IN SPOTLIGHT

Following the Frick Award voting restructuring announced by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's Board of Directors in April, a new election cycle has been established, with a composite ballot featuring local and national voices whose careers began after, or extended into, the Wild Card Era in four consecutive years, followed by a fifth year featuring a ballot of candidates whose broadcasting careers concluded prior to the advent of the Wild Card Era in 1994...The new cycle will begin with the 2023 Frick Award, with composite ballots of local and national voices continuing with the Awards in 2024, 2025 and 2026 before the pre-Wild Card Era ballot is considered for the 2027 Award...The cycle then repeats every five years...The finalists for the 2023 Frick Award are: **Dave Campbell, Joe Castiglione, Gary Cohen, Jacques Doucet, Tom Hamilton, Jerry Howarth, Pat Hughes, Ernie Johnson Sr., Duane Kuiper** and **Steve Stone**...The 2023 Frick Award winner will be honored at the *Awards Presentation* on July 22, 2023, in Cooperstown as part of Hall of Fame Weekend...Criteria for selection is as follows: "Commitment to excellence, quality of broadcasting abilities, reverence within the game, popularity with fans, and recognition by peers."

Final voting for the 2023 Frick Award will be conducted by an electorate comprised of the 12 living Frick Award recipients and three broadcast historians/columnists, including past Frick honorees **Marty Brennaman, Bob Costas, Ken Harrelson, Jaime Jarrín, Tony Kubek, Denny Matthews, Tim McCarver, Al Michaels, Jon Miller, Eric Nadel, Bob Uecker** and **Dave Van Horne**, and historians/columnists **David J. Halberstam** (historian), **Barry Horn** (formerly of the *Dallas Morning News*) and **Curt Smith** (historian)...The results of the voting for the 2023 Frick Award will be announced on Dec. 7...The 2023 Frick Award ballot was created by a subcommittee of the voting electorate that included Brennaman, Harrelson, Nadel, Halberstam and Smith...To be considered, an active or retired broadcaster must have a minimum of 10 years of continuous major league broadcast service with a ball club, network, or a combination of the two...For bios on the eight candidates, please visit baseballhall.org/frickaward2023.

FRICK AWARD HISTORY: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's Ford C. Frick Award has been presented annually since 1978 by the Museum for excellence in baseball broadcasting...Annual winners are announced as part of Baseball's Winter Meetings each year, while awardees are presented with their honor the following summer during Hall of Fame Weekend in Cooperstown, New York...Jack Graney became the 46th winner of the Frick Award in 2022.

2023 BBWAA CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD FINALISTS: The Baseball Writers' Association of America has announced its three finalists for the 2023 BBWAA Career Excellence Award...The finalists are: The late **Gerry Fraley**, who spent three decades covering baseball and the Texas Rangers for the *Dallas Morning News*; **Bruce Jenkins**, writer and columnist for the *San Francisco Chronicle*; and longtime *Detroit Free Press* beat writer **John Lowe**...The winner of the 2023 BBWAA Career Excellence Award for writers will be announced Dec. 6.

SCRIBES AND MIKEMEN: Winners of the Frick and BBWAA Career Excellence Awards are featured in the Museum's *Scribes and Mikemen* exhibit, located on the first floor as part of the Library and Education Center of the Hall of Fame...Text of the award given to the current year's award winner and photos of past award winners are featured in the exhibit, which outlines the media's contributions to the game's history.

2023 BBWAA ELECTION

2023 RESULTS ANNOUNCED JAN. 24: The Hall of Fame and BBWAA will announce the results of the 2023 election live from Cooperstown at 6 p.m. ET on Tuesday, Jan. 24... The results will be delivered live on MLB Network by Hall of Fame President Josh Rawitch and will also be released on the respective websites of the two organizations, baseballhall.org and bbwaa.com... A press event featuring any electees is scheduled to be held the following day in Cooperstown.

THE CLASS OF JANUARY: The results of the 2023 Baseball Writers' Association of America Hall of Fame vote will be announced at 6 p.m. ET on Jan. 24, 2023, live on MLB Network... The 2023 BBWAA ballot was announced Nov. 21 and consists of: Bobby Abreu, Bronson Arroyo, Carlos Beltrán, Mark Buehrle, Matt Cain, R.A. Dickey, Jacoby Ellsbury, Andre Ethier, J.J. Hardy, Todd Helton, Torii Hunter, Andruw Jones, Jeff Kent, John Lackey, Mike Napoli, Jhonny Peralta, Andy Pettitte, Manny Ramírez, Álex Rodríguez, Francisco Rodríguez, Scott Rolen, Jimmy Rollins, Gary Sheffield, Huston Street, Omar Vizquel, Billy Wagner, Jered Weaver and Jayson Werth... For candidate bios, visit baseballhall.org/bbwaa... First-time eligibles are Arroyo, Beltrán, Cain, Dickey, Ellsbury, Ethier, Hardy, Lackey, Napoli, Peralta, Francisco Rodríguez, Street, Weaver and Werth, ... Holdover candidates include Rolen, who was named on 63.2 percent of ballots cast a year ago, Helton, who was named on 52.0 percent of ballots a year ago; and Wagner, who was named on 51.0 percent of ballots in 2022... Kent is appearing on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time... Other returning candidates include Abreu, Buehrle, Hunter, Jones, Pettitte, Ramírez, Álex Rodríguez, Rollins, Sheffield and Vizquel.

BOOK NOW FOR FUTURE WEEKENDS: Hall of Fame Weekend is typically scheduled for the last weekend in July, though there are exceptions... The 2023 Induction Weekend is scheduled for July 21-24, with the Induction on July 23... Future Induction Ceremony dates include July 21, 2024; July 27, 2025; and July 26, 2026... A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2024:** Adrián Beltré, Joe Mauer, Chase Utley, David Wright; **2025:** Brian McCann, CC Sabathia, Ichiro Suzuki, Troy Tulowitzki; **2026:** Ryan Braun, Edwin Encarnación, Matt Kemp, Nick Markakis; **2027:** Jay Bruce, Jon Lester, Buster Posey, Kyle Seager; **2028:** Brock Holt, Yadier Molina, Albert Pujols, Kurt Suzuki

THE 2022 BALLOT: The BBWAA ballot featured 30 players, including 13 new candidates and 17 returnees... Candidates appearing on the necessary 75 percent of all ballots cast to earn election appear in bold below... Candidates receiving less than five percent of the vote are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below... Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa each appeared on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time and are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below... Two first-year candidates received the five percent of the vote necessary to remain on the ballot: Álex Rodríguez (34.3%) and Jimmy Rollins (9.4%)... Fourteen players return for consideration in 2023... A total of 394 votes were cast, with 296 votes necessary for election and 20 votes necessary to remain on the ballot... Six blank ballots were cast... The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022
David Ortiz	1	77.9%	Jeff Kent	9	32.7%	<i>Tim Hudson</i>	2	3.0%
<i>Barry Bonds</i>	10	66.0%	Manny Ramírez	6	28.9%	<i>Tim Lincecum</i>	1	2.3%
<i>Roger Clemens</i>	10	65.2%	Omar Vizquel	5	23.9%	<i>Ryan Howard</i>	1	2.0%
Scott Rolen	5	63.2%	<i>Sammy Sosa</i>	10	18.5%	<i>Mark Teixeira</i>	1	1.5%
<i>Curt Schilling</i>	10	58.6%	Andy Pettitte	4	10.7%	<i>Justin Morneau</i>	1	1.3%
Todd Helton	4	52.0%	Jimmy Rollins	1	9.4%	<i>Jonathan Papelbon</i>	1	1.3%
Billy Wagner	7	51.0%	Bobby Abreu	3	8.6%	<i>Prince Fielder</i>	1	0.5%
Andruw Jones	5	41.4%	Mark Buehrle	2	5.8%	<i>A.J. Pierzynski</i>	1	0.5%
Gary Sheffield	8	40.6%	Torii Hunter	2	5.3%	<i>Carl Crawford</i>	1	0.0%
Álex Rodríguez	1	34.3%	<i>Joe Nathan</i>	1	4.3%	<i>Jake Peavy</i>	1	0.0%

THE VOTING ELECTORATE: Of the 405 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2022 election, 394 were returned, a return rate of 97.2 percent... The most ballots ever cast in one BBWAA Hall of Fame election came in 2011 with 581... Voting privileges are extended to those BBWAA members meeting their organization's Hall of Fame voting qualifications and in good standing with the BBWAA... Voters can select from zero to 10 names on their Hall of Fame ballot... Votes on 75 percent of all ballots cast are necessary for election.

CAREFUL SELECTION: 2022 marked the 78th Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 69 times and on nine occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013, 2021)...On nine occasions, no election was held (1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965)...The BBWAA membership has elected from zero to five candidates in each of its 78 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in two players or one player more than any other quantity (27 times each).

ELECTED	TIMES	LAST	CLASS
5	1	1936	Cobb, Johnson, Mathewson, Ruth, Wagner
4	5	2019	Halladay, Martinez, Mussina, Rivera
3	9	2017	Bagwell, Raines, Rodríguez
2	27	2020	Jeter, Walker
1	27	2022	Ortiz
0	9	2021	----

LUCKY SEVEN: The seven-member Class of 2022 marks just the third time in the last 50 years – and just the 11th time in Hall of Fame history – that a class of seven-or-more electees has been named...In 2006, a record 18 candidates were elected by the BBWAA and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues...In 1999, three candidates were elected by the BBWAA and four were named by the Veterans Committee...Other classes that included seven or more members are: 1972 (8), 1971 (8), 1964 (7), 1953 (8), 1946 (11), 1945 (10), 1939 (10) and 1937 (8).

58 AT FIRST: The election of David Ortiz brings the total of first-year BBWAA inductees to 58 and marks the eighth class in nine years with at least one first-ballot inductee...The last stretch of at least eight first ballot electees in nine years was 1986-95 when – in that 10-year period – only the 1987 election did not feature a first-ballot electee.

RED SOX IN COOPERSTOWN: Including players, managers and executives, the Red Sox now have 11 Hall of Famers represented as their primary team in Cooperstown, with David Ortiz the most recent addition to the list...The Red Sox are tied for ninth among all teams on that list with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Cincinnati Reds and Philadelphia Phillies with 11 Hall of Famers...The Yankees sit atop that list with 30 Hall of Famers.

FOUR DOMINICAN LEGENDS: David Ortiz is the fourth native of the Dominican Republic to earn election to the Hall of Fame, following Juan Marichal (1983), Pedro Martínez (2015) and Vladimir Guerrero (2018)...Overall, Ortiz is the 16th Latino to earn election.

DESIGNATED THIRD: David Ortiz becomes the third player elected to the Hall of Fame who appeared in at least 60 percent of his games at designated hitter – and the first one to earn election on his first time on the BBWAA ballot...Edgar Martinez, elected on his 10th time on the BBWAA ballot, and Harold Baines, elected by the Today's Game Era Committee, became the first two DHs inducted in 2019.

POWER OF 10: David Ortiz is the 340th candidate elected to the Hall of Fame, following a career where he wore No. 34 for 14 seasons with the Boston Red Sox.

ROLEN ALONG: Scott Rolen reached the 60-percent mark in the BBWAA voting for the first time this year after being named on 63.2 percent of all ballots cast...Barry Bonds (66.0 percent) and Roger Clemens (65.2 percent) also hit the 60-percent mark this year after having first reached the mark in 2020...All other candidates who have ever reached the 60-percent mark in any BBWAA election have subsequently been elected to the Hall of Fame by either the BBWAA or a Hall of Fame veterans committee.

10 CHANCES: Four candidates – Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa – fall off the BBWAA ballot starting in 2023 because they have reached the 10-year maximum time allowed by rule on the ballot...This marks the most players to age out of the BBWAA ballot since the 10-year maximum rule was put into place in 2014...The last time as many as three players aged off the ballot in one season was in 1996 when Curt Flood, Tony Oliva and Vada Pinson were dropped following their 15th year (then the maximum allowed) on the ballot.

FIRST IS ENOUGH: By appearing on 77.9 percent of all ballots cast, David Ortiz becomes the fifth candidate in history to earn election in his first year on the BBWAA ballot while receiving less than 80 percent of the vote...Jackie Robinson (77.5% in 1962), Lou Brock (79.7%), Robin Yount (77.5% in 1999) and Iván Rodríguez (76.0% in 2017) each earned election in their first year eligible.

RULES FOR ELECTION: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-election/bbwaa>...Voting rules state that: “Voting shall be based upon the player's record, playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions to the team(s) on which the player played.”

THE GAME'S ELITE: The Hall of Fame is comprised of 340 elected members...Included are 268 former major league players, as well as 40 executives/pioneers, 22 managers and 10 umpires...The BBWAA has elected 135 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 179 deserving candidates...The defunct “Committee on Negro Baseball Leagues” selected nine men between 1971-77 and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues in 2006 elected 17 Negro Leaguers...There are currently 73 living members.

73 AMBASSADORS: The 73 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Pat Gillick, Tom Glavine, Goose Gossage, Ken Griffey Jr., Vladimir Guerrero, Rickey Henderson, Whitey Herzog, Trevor Hoffman, Reggie Jackson, Ferguson Jenkins, Derek Jeter, Randy Johnson, Chipper Jones, Jim Kaat, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazerowski, Paul Molitor, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Tony Oliva, David Ortiz, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Mike Piazza, Tim Lincecum, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Brooks Robinson, Iván Rodríguez, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

CONNECTING GENERATIONS: Willie Mays, born May 6, 1931, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 91...The Hall of Famer to reach the highest age was **Bobby Doerr**, who was 99 years, 220 days old when he passed away in 2017...**David Ortiz**, who was born on Nov. 18, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 46 years of age...The youngest elected Hall of Famer was **Sandy Koufax**, who was 36 when he was elected in 1972.

BETWEEN THE LINES: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 268 Hall of Famers who earned their election on the playing field...Also included is the last major leaguer to be elected at each position...Numbers in parentheses indicate Hall of Famers elected by the BBWAA at each position.

Pitchers 84 (45)	Second Basemen ..21 (11)	Left Fielders23 (12)
Catchers 19 (10)	Third Basemen 17 (8)	Center Fielders24 (8)
First Basemen 25 (12)	Shortstops26 (12)	Right Fielders27 (15)
Designated Hitter 3 (2)		

P: Kaat (2022)	DH: Ortiz (2022)	LF: Miñoso (2022)
C: Simmons (2020)	2B: Biggio (2015)	CF: Griffey Jr. (2016)
1B: Hodges (2022)	3B: Jones (2018)	RF: Oliva (2022)
	SS: Jeter (2020)	

FIRST THINGS FIRST: With the election of David Ortiz, 58 players have been elected in their first year of eligibility (18 pitchers, seven RF, six 3B, six LF, six SS, five CF, four 1B, three 2B, two catchers and one DH; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 15 of the last 21 elections, at least one player has been elected in his first year of eligibility...Other than the inaugural Hall of Fame election, 1999, 2014 and 2015 are the only three years where as many as three first-year candidates were elected at once...NOTE: Lou Gehrig (who received votes in 1936 while active and then was elected by acclamation in 1939) and Roberto Clemente (by special election in 1973) were each elected through a non-traditional process and are not counted in the 58.

YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME
1936	Ty Cobb	1981	Bob Gibson	1995	Mike Schmidt	2014	Tom Glavine
1936	Honus Wagner	1982	Hank Aaron	1999	Nolan Ryan	2014	Frank Thomas
1936	Babe Ruth	1982	Frank Robinson	1999	George Brett	2015	Randy Johnson
1936	Christy Mathewson	1983	Brooks Robinson	1999	Robin Yount	2015	Pedro Martínez
1936	Walter Johnson	1985	Lou Brock	2001	Kirby Puckett	2015	John Smoltz
1962	Jackie Robinson	1986	Willie McCovey	2001	Dave Winfield	2016	Ken Griffey Jr.
1962	Bob Feller	1988	Willie Stargell	2002	Ozzie Smith	2017	Iván Rodríguez
1966	Ted Williams	1989	Johnny Bench	2003	Eddie Murray	2018	Chipper Jones
1969	Stan Musial	1989	Carl Yastrzemski	2004	Dennis Eckersley	2018	Jim Thome
1972	Sandy Koufax	1990	Joe Morgan	2004	Paul Molitor	2019	Roy Halladay
1973	Warren Spahn	1990	Jim Palmer	2005	Wade Boggs	2019	Mariano Rivera
1974	Mickey Mantle	1991	Rod Carew	2007	Cal Ripken Jr.	2020	Derek Jeter
1977	Ernie Banks	1992	Tom Seaver	2007	Tony Gwynn	2022	David Ortiz
1979	Willie Mays	1993	Reggie Jackson	2009	Rickey Henderson		
1980	Al Kaline	1994	Steve Carlton	2014	Greg Maddux		

TRY AND TRY AGAIN: The 75 players not elected by the BBWAA in their first year eligible were done so on a later ballot, taking from two to 16 elections...The length of time a player could stay on the BBWAA ballot has varied throughout history...From 1946-56, the rule was that a player must have been active at some point in the 25 years prior to the election – it was increased to 30 years from 1956-62, was 20 years from 1963-2014 and is now 15 years...When one walks through the Hall of Fame Gallery, though, the year or method by which players were elected are not noted...The 75 non-first year BBWAA electees: **2nd election** (Alomar, Berra, Fingers, Fisk, Ford, Guerrero, Lajoie, Speaker, Young); **3rd election** (Alexander, Biggio, Grove, Hoffman, Hubbell, Hunter, Jenkins, Larkin, Marichal, Ott, Perry, Sandberg); **4th election** (E.Collins, DiMaggio, Keeler, Killebrew, Piazza, Roberts, Sisler, Wynn); **5th election** (Campanella, Hornsby, Mathews, Niekro, Sutton); **6th election** (Aparicio, Carter, Cochrane, Frisch, Gehringer, Mussina, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Appling, Bagwell, Foxx); **8th election** (Pennock, Traynor, Wilhelm); **9th election** (Dawson, Gossage, Greenberg, Medwick, Pérez); **10th election** (Boudreau, Cronin, Dickey, Drysdale, Lyons, E Martinez, Raines, Simmons, Walker); **11th election** (Snider); **12th election** (Dean, Hartnett, Heilmann, Lemon); **13th election** (Kiner, Sutter); **14th election** (Blyleven, Maranville, Terry); **15th election** (Rice, Ruffing); **16th election** (Vance).

ONE-TEAM WONDERS: There are 56 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team, with 2022 electee Tony Oliva the most recent addition to this list...The list includes: Luke Appling, Jeff Bagwell, Ernie Banks, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, George Brett, Roy Campanella, Roberto Clemente, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Bobby Doerr, Don Drysdale, Red Faber, Bob Feller, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Charlie Gehringer, Bob Gibson, Tony Gwynn, Carl Hubbell, Travis Jackson, Derek Jeter, Walter Johnson, Chipper Jones, Addie Joss, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Bob Lemon, Ted Lyons, Mickey Mantle, Edgar Martinez, Bill Mazerowski, Bid McPhee, Stan Musial, Tony Oliva, Mel Ott, Jim Palmer, Kirby Puckett, Pee Wee Reese, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Brooks Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Mike Schmidt, Willie Stargell, Alan Trammell, Pie Traynor, Bill Terry, Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski, Ross Youngs and Robin Yount.

NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW: In 2020, Derek Jeter became the 35th player to earn at least 90 percent in any one BBWAA election...The 35 players with at least 90 percent of votes cast in their favor:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	% RECEIVED	OMITTED BALLOTS
2019	Mariano Rivera	425	425	100%	0
2020	Derek Jeter	397	396	99.75%	1
2016	Ken Griffey Jr.	440	437	99.32%	3
1992	Tom Seaver	430	425	98.84%	5
1999	Nolan Ryan	497	491	98.79%	6
2007	Cal Ripken	545	537	98.53%	8
1936	Ty Cobb	226	222	98.23%	4
1999	George Brett	497	488	98.19%	9
1982	Hank Aaron	415	406	97.83%	9
2007	Tony Gwynn	545	532	97.60%	13
2015	Randy Johnson	549	534	97.27%	15
2014	Greg Maddux	571	555	97.20%	16
2018	Chipper Jones	422	410	97.16%	12
1995	Mike Schmidt	460	444	96.52%	16
1989	Johnny Bench	447	431	96.42%	16
1994	Steve Carlton	456	436	95.61%	20
1936	Honus Wagner	226	215	95.13%	11
1936	Babe Ruth	226	215	95.13%	11
2009	Rickey Henderson	539	511	94.81%	28
1979	Willie Mays	432	409	94.67%	23
1989	Carl Yastrzemski	447	423	94.63%	24
1962	Bob Feller	160	150	93.75%	10
1993	Reggie Jackson	423	396	93.62%	27
1966	Ted Williams	302	282	93.37%	20
1969	Stan Musial	340	317	93.23%	23
2018	Vladimir Guerrero	392	422	92.89%	30
1990	Jim Palmer	444	411	92.57%	33
1983	Brooks Robinson	374	344	91.97%	30
2014	Tom Glavine	571	525	91.94%	46
2005	Wade Boggs	516	474	91.86%	42
2002	Ozzie Smith	472	433	91.74%	39
2015	Pedro Martínez	549	500	91.07%	49
1936	Christy Mathewson	226	205	90.70%	21
1991	Rod Carew	443	401	90.50%	42
2011	Roberto Alomar	581	523	90.02%	58

CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR: Several individuals have come close to being elected to the Hall of Fame, but have missed by the slimmest of margins in a given year. All on the list below were subsequently elected to the Hall of Fame:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	NEEDED/ELECTION	SHORT BY
2014	Craig Biggio	571	427	429	2
1985	Nellie Fox	395	295	297	2
1947	Pie Traynor	161	119	121	2
1986	Billy Williams	425	315	319	4
1988	Jim Bunning	427	317	321	4
2010	Bert Blyleven	539	400	405	5
2017	Trevor Hoffman	442	327	332	5
1994	Orlando Cepeda	455	335	342	7
1967	Joe Medwick	292	212	219	7
1945	Frank Chance	247	179	186	7
1953	Bill Terry	264	191	198	7
1982	Juan Marichal	415	305	312	7
1951	Paul Waner	226	162	170	8
1968	Roy Campanella	283	205	213	8
2010	Roberto Alomar	539	397	405	8
1975	Robin Roberts	362	263	272	9
1997	Don Sutton	473	346	355	9
2002	Gary Carter	472	343	354	11

CLOSE, AND CIGAR: Twenty-seven Hall of Famers have earned election by 10 votes or less:

YEAR	PLAYER	VOTES NEEDED	RECEIVED	MARGIN
1939	Willie Keeler	206	207	1
1953	Al Simmons	198	199	1
1975	Ralph Kiner	272	273	1
1991	Ferguson Jenkins	333	334	1
1937	Cy Young	151	153	2
1947	Lefty Grove	121	123	2
1948	Pie Traynor	91	93	2
1948	Herb Pennock	91	94	3
1962	Jackie Robinson	120	124	4
2017	Iván Rodríguez	332	336	4
1972	Early Wynn	297	301	4
1987	Jim "Catfish" Hunter	310	315	5
1954	Bill Terry	189	195	6
1955	Gabby Hartnett	189	195	6
2005	Ryne Sandberg	387	393	6
2020	Larry Walker	298	304	6
1939	Eddie Collins	206	213	7
1942	Rogers Hornsby	175	182	7
1947	Mickey Cochrane	121	128	7
1956	Joe Cronin	145	152	7
1970	Lou Boudreau	225	232	7
2009	Jim Rice	405	412	7
2019	Mike Mussina	319	326	7
1951	Jimmie Foxx	170	179	9
1991	Gaylord Perry	333	342	9
1974	Whitey Ford	274	284	10
2000	Tony Pérez	375	385	10

MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

AUTUMN GLORY: Artifacts from the Houston Astros' world championship have arrived in Cooperstown and will soon be on display in the Museum's *Autumn Glory* exhibit...The artifacts from the 2022 postseason will be on display through the 2023 postseason in *Autumn Glory*, the Museum's exhibition celebrating the postseason...Artifacts include:

- Game 2 jersey, wristbands and box of toothpicks from Astros manager **Dusty Baker**
- Glove used by outfielder **Chas McCormick** when he made a game-saving catch in Game 5
- Jersey worn by World Series MVP **Jeremy Peña** during Game 1
- Spikes worn by starting pitcher **Framber Valdez** in Game 2
- Spikes worn by starting pitcher **Justin Verlander** in Game 5 when he won his first career World Series start
- Spikes worn by closer **Ryan Pressly** when he closed out the clinching Game 6
- Elbow guard worn by leadoff hitter **Jose Altuve** in Game 6
- Ball thrown by **Cristian Javier** from Game 4 combined no-hitter and signed by all four Astros pitchers as well as catcher **Christian Vázquez**
- Rosin bag from Game 4 of combined no-hitter
- Scorecard kept by Hall of Famer and FOX broadcaster **John Smoltz** during Game 4 combined no-hitter
- A batting helmet worn by NLCS MVP **Bryce Harper** of the Phillies during various postseason games including the Wild Card, Division, Championship and World Series

COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

APPLICATIONS FOR 2023 FRANK AND PEGGY STEELE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM DUE JAN. 31: The chance to spend the summer in Cooperstown is every baseball fan's dream...For college students aspiring to land a once-in-a-lifetime summer experience in the National Baseball Hall of Fame's 2023 internship program, only a handful of weeks remain before applications are due January 31...The 2023 Frank and Peggy Steele Internship Program for Youth Leadership Development will provide students the chance to join the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum team in a 10-week paid summer internship, offering meaningful, hands-on training in numerous professional career fields for those who are chosen from the hundreds of applications received in Cooperstown each year...In addition, interns learn and work in the company of baseball's best-known personalities during the annual Hall of Fame Weekend and Induction Ceremony...To be considered for the program, students must be enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program at a college or university, having completed at least their sophomore year of studies, or must have just graduated in May of the year of their internship...Intern positions for 2023 are available in the following fields: Archives, Collections, Communications, Curatorial, Data Analyst, Development/Membership, Digital Assets, Education, Library-Giamatti Research Center, Licensing & Sales, Multimedia, Public Programs, Social Media and Special Events. ...Twenty-one internships will be awarded...All applications must be completed online at baseballhall.org/intern...Applications must be received no later than Jan. 31, 2023.

HALL OF FAME TO HOST SAVANNAH BANANAS SEPT. 16 AT HISTORIC DOUBLEDAY FIELD: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum will host the Savannah Bananas in a Banana Ball Game on Sept. 16 at the Village of Cooperstown's historic Doubleday Field...The game will be the final contest of the Bananas' 2023 World Tour...The Savannah Bananas began play in the Coastal Plain League in 2016 before launching Banana Ball, which is played under modified rules, in 2020...Banana Ball features a two-hour time limit, no stepping out of the batter's box or mound visits and no bunting as well as the recording of an out when a fan catches a batted foul ball...For the game at Doubleday Field, the Bananas will face off against their rival, the Party Animals...The Bananas and Party Animals rosters will be filled by independent professional players who have been scouted, tried out, and signed contracts for the 2023 Banana Ball World Tour...For the complete Savannah Bananas World Tour schedule and opportunity for tickets, visit thesavannahbananas.com/worldtour and join the Ticket Pre-sale List.

EXPLORE THE INCREDIBLE STORIES OF THE NATIONAL PASTIME WITH 'BASEBALL MEMORIES AND DREAMS' BOOK: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum brings the game's greatest stories to life every day in Cooperstown and around the world...Now, some of the game's best baseball writing – first featured in the Museum's Official Magazine, *Memories and Dreams* – is featured in one must-have anthology...Produced by the Hall of Fame and Mango Publishing, "Baseball Memories & Dreams: Reflections of the National Pastime from the Baseball Hall of Fame" is now available...Drawing on more than 20 years of issues of *Memories and Dreams* magazine, "Baseball Memories & Dreams" features more than two dozen award-winning authors and includes stories of Hall of Famers, historic artifacts and memorable moments from more than 150 years of baseball history...Featuring a forward by Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith and contributors such as John Grisham, Tim Kurkjian, Terence Moore, Dan Shaughnessy and George Vecsey, "Baseball Memories & Dreams" makes the perfect holiday gift and is available now from the Hall of Fame's [Online Store](#)... "Baseball Memories & Dreams" can also be ordered through Amazon, Barnes and Noble and other book retailers.

MUSEUM EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP WITH MORGAN STANLEY, LINCOLN AVENUE CAPITAL UNDERWAY: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, in partnership with Morgan Stanley and Lincoln Avenue Capital, is continuing programming initiatives based on the Hall of Fame's award-winning educational curriculum in low-income communities across the country...In 2021, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum received a grant from Morgan Stanley that is funding a four-year effort to support students across the country, including Morgan Stanley-funded affordable housing developments, through inspiring and educational programming... As part of this initiative, Lincoln Avenue Capital – a mission-driven affordable housing acquirer and developer, investor, and operator serving low-income individuals and families nationwide – will hold afterschool programs at several of its properties... Locations to benefit from Morgan Stanley's grant this spring will be Lincoln Avenue Capital properties Jubilee Courtyards in Florida City, Fla.; Logan Heights in Sanford, Fla.; Orchard Place in Rochester, N.Y.; Troutdale Terrace in Troutdale, Ore; and Zephyr Pointe in Reno, Nev.... Each off-site education program funded by Morgan Stanley will run for eight weeks, with local partner educators delivering the Hall of Fame's curriculum...A weekly live connection to Cooperstown with a Hall of Fame expert educator is integrated into each week's lesson plan, with these virtual field trips reinforcing the lessons being taught on-site using distance-learning technology...Participating community groups will have the opportunity to customize their individual curriculum to their own interests and needs.

TIME TO VISIT: The Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Memorial Day Weekend, when summer hours resume...The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day... Ticket prices are \$28 for adults (13 and over), \$22 for seniors (65 and over), \$19 for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$17 for juniors (ages 7-12)...Members and active or career retired military personnel are always admitted free of charge and there is no charge for children 6 years of age or younger...For more information, visit our website at www.baseballhall.org or call (607) 547-7200.