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Media Advisory

WHAT: Washington Nationals Baseball Family Day

WHEN: Saturday, July 9
11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

WHERE: Smithsonian American Art Museum
National Portrait Gallery
Eighth and F streets N.W.

The National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian American Art Museum will host the fifth annual Washington Nationals Baseball Family Day Saturday, July 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. A Q-and-A session with two Washington Nationals players will begin at noon; between 12:15 p.m. and 1 p.m. children will be able to pose for pictures with the players.

Craft activities will include making pennants and big fingers, creating picture frames for photos taken with the players, and face painting. The Courtyard Café will offer traditional ballpark fare for purchase, including hot dogs, popcorn and ice cream. After the event concludes a special, docent-led tour titled, “Runs, Hits, Errors: The Boys of Summer at the National Portrait Gallery” will be offered. The tour will meet in the F Street Lobby at 3:15 p.m.

The museums are located above the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metrorail station. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, except Dec. 25. Admission is free. Smithsonian Information: (202) 633-1000 or TTY (202) 633-5285. Museum information: (202) 633-7970 (American Art) and (202) 633-8300 (Portrait Gallery). Websites: americanart.si.edu and npg.si.edu.

Note: Press who want to attend this event should contact Mandy Young in advance to make arrangements. On July 9, she can be reached on her cell phone at (202) 631-5222. Camera crews are not permitted in exhibition galleries without prior consent and a staff escort. Questions about the Washington Nationals should be directed to Alexandra Schaffler at (202) 640-7702.

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