



NCAA basketball champions will face Puerto Rican and Bahamian teams in exhibition games in Bayamón

Five NBA Players Expected to Participate in Kansas University Hoop Tour Games, sponsored by Discover Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico, July 28, 2023 – The Kansas University Jayhawks, the reigning Division I men's basketball champions of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), will face a team from Puerto Rico and the Bahamas national team from August 3-7 at the Rubén Rodríguez Coliseum in Bayamón.

The matches are part of the Kansas Hoops Tour, a cultural and athletic exchange program of the University. The Bahamian team will feature Eric Gordon and Deandre Ayton of the Phoenix Suns; Klay Thompson of the Golden State Warriors; Kai Jones, of the Charlotte Hornets; and Buddy Hield of the Indiana Pacers. The Puerto Rico team will be made up of collegiate players and representatives from the Puerto Rican League and Baloncesto Superior Nacional (the National Superior Basketball.)

"This will be a great demonstration of talent with the NCAA champion team measuring themselves against the best Puerto Rican talent and the Bahamas national team. Once again, Puerto Rico is showcased as a center for world-class sporting events with great venues and excellent service. We are proud to be a premier destination for colleges and universities training and tournament trips in the Caribbean," said Carlos Deliz, Senior Sales Manager of Discover Puerto Rico.

The event is produced by Walton Sports Management Group, a Houston, Texas-based firm that coordinates high-profile sporting events, in collaboration with Edwardo Cajina's local production team.

"As the producer of this event, I am very honored to have the University of Kansas, recognized among the best in the NCAA, visit us. We are excited to host such great players in both college and the NBA. This Tournament will further the development of basketball on the Island. I take this opportunity to publicly thank the management of the team Los Vaqueros de Bayamón, the Municipality of Bayamón and its Honorable Mayor Ramón Luis Rivera for his help in making this event possible," said Cajina.

"This sports tour promises to be a unique and fun experience for basketball fans and Puerto Ricans as they witness top collegiate athletes on display in a competitive international environment. With the meticulous planning of Walton Sports Management and the rich history



of Kansas Basketball, this promises to be an event that will have a lasting impact on the growing basketball market in Puerto Rico," said the event's production firm owner, Anthony Walton. Those interested in attending the exhibition games can purchase tickets for the Kansas Hoop Tour at [Ticketera](#) starting at \$8.

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