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Everything You Need to Know About the NBA All-Star Weekend In L.A.

Tickets for basketball's big weekend just went on sale

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This year, the NBA's best and brightest will be assembling in Los Angeles to show off at the 2018 All-Star Weekend. From February 16 to 18, fans will have chances to get up close and personal with basketball's biggest stars, newest hot-shots, and more than a few basketball-loving celebrities. To help you plan your star-studded weekend, we've compiled a schedule of some of the biggest events below.

All Weekend

NBA Crossover

A new concept for the NBA All-Star Weekend, NBA Crossover is a fan event celebrating the mix of basketball and pop culture. The curated pop-up experience includes art, fashion, music, and never-seen-before activations with players and the league. [Free with registration.](#) (*The Majestic, 650 S Spring St, Los Angeles*)

Friday, February 16

Mtn Dew Kickstart Rising Stars Practice

This annual practice for the league's best first- and second-year players will be open to the public for the first time ever. [Tickets available.](#) (*9:30 A.M., Verizon Up Arena at Los Angeles Convention Center*)



NBA All-Star Celebrity Game Presented by Ruffles

One of the signature events of the weekend, see your favorite music and Hollywood stars play alongside NBA legends. [Tickets available.](#) (4:00 P.M., Verizon Up Arena at Los Angeles Convention Center)

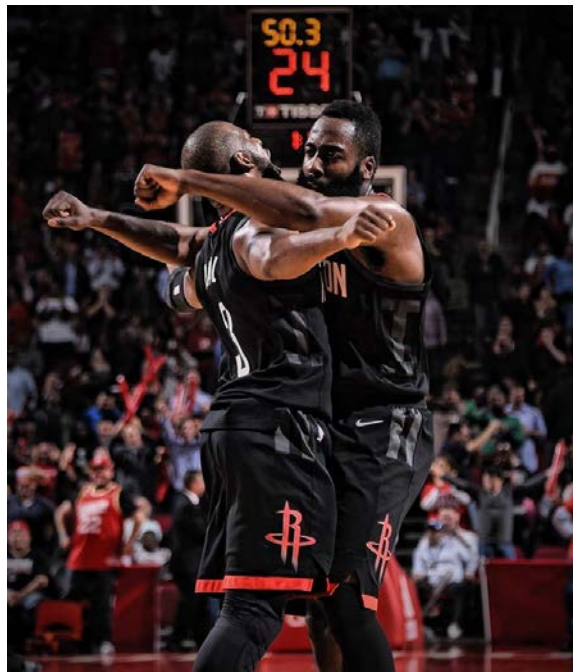
Mtn Dew Kickstart Rising Stars Game

The NBA's top young athletes play a brash, fast-moving game with a "U.S.A. vs. The World" theme. [Tickets available.](#) (6:00 P.M., Staples Center)

Saturday, February 17

NBA All-Star Practice

Fans are invited in to catch a warm-up session featuring the NBA All-Star teams, getting a special glimpse at the best athletes in the game. [Tickets available.](#) (11:00 A.M., Verizon Up Arena at Los Angeles Convention Center)



State Farm All-Star Saturday Night

A favorite annual event, players get to show off their skills in competitions including the Taco Bell Skills Challenge, JBL Three-Point Contest, and Verizon Slam Dunk. While not open to the public this year, this event will be televised on TNT. *(5:00 P.M., Staples Center)*

Sunday, February 18

NBA G-League International Challenge Presented by Kumho Tire

For the first time, top players from the NBA's minor league squads will face off against the national basketball team of Mexico. Look for a fun slam dunk competition before the game. [Tickets available.](#) *(1:30 P.M., Verizon Up Arena at Los Angeles Convention Center)*

67th NBA All-Star Game

The cream of the NBA crop take the court together for a show-down. The game isn't open to the public, so catch the broadcast on TNT. *(5:00 P.M., Staples Center)*

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