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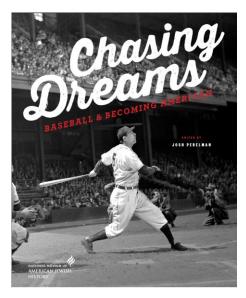
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Major Publication to Accompany National Museum of American Jewish History's Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American

As a complement to the groundbreaking exhibition *Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American*, the National Museum of American Jewish History (NMAJH) will publish a 256-page hardbound volume of the same name featuring over 40 evocative, compelling, and touching essays by a notable array of authors, sportswriters, former players, and commentators, as well as 143 stunning photographs chronicling the history of the game. The full list of contributors is as follows:



Michael Scott Alexander, Rebecca T. Alpert, Marty Appel, Marc Appleman, Brad Ausmus, Abraham Cahan, Billy Crystal, Michael Berenbaum, Ira Berkow, Barry M. Bloom, Adrian Burgos Jr., Adam Chandler, William Choslovsky, Colin Friedman, Doug Glanville, Doris Kearns Goodwin, Eric Rolfe Greenberg, Jeffrey S. Gurock, Aviva Kempner, Jane Leavy, Peter Levine, Bernard Malamud, Colum McCann, Pamela S. Nadell, Kerry Yo Nakagawa, Daniel Okrent, Chaim Potok, Shirley Povich, Joshua Prager, William Ressler, Steven A. Riess, Philip Roth, Rob Ruck, Justine Siegal, Scott

Simon, Curt Smith, Arn Tellem, John Thorn, Marc Tracy, Beth S. Wenger, Stephen Wong, and Steve Wulf. The editor is Josh Perelman, Dr. Josh Perelman, chief curator and director of collections and exhibitions at NMAJH.

The stories that fill this volume illustrate baseball's centrality in American culture, from the major leagues to the little leagues, and how parents, children, and grandchildren adapted to, and sometimes challenged, what it means to be an American.

The book retails for \$45 and is currently available for pre-order at the Museum Store online and on-site.

The National Museum of American Jewish History, located on historic Independence Mall in Philadelphia, brings to life the 360-year history of Jews in America. Tracing the stories of how Jewish immigrants became Jewish Americans, the Museum invites visitors of all backgrounds to share their own stories and reflect on how their histories and identities shape and are shaped by the American experience. An open door for all, NMAJH honors the past and contributes to a better future by sharing the power of imagination and ideas, culture and community, leadership and service, in ways that turn inspiration into action.

The National Museum of American Jewish History is located at 101 South Independence Mall East at the corner of Fifth and Market Streets in Philadelphia. Museum hours are Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, and Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm. NMAJH is closed most Mondays, including federal holidays and some Jewish holidays. Museum admission is \$12.00 for adults, \$11.00 for senior citizens and youth, free for children 12 and under, Museum Members, and active military with ID. For information on the Museum, the public may call 215.923.3811 or visit the website at NMAJH.org.