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## "Negro League Baseball" featuring the 521 Allstars: A Championship Story of Baseball and Community Opens Friday at African American Performing Arts Center

ALBUQUERQUE, NM – "Negro League Baseball" featuring *The 521 All - Stars: A Championship Story of Baseball and Community* will open with a reception on Friday, May 13, 2011 at the African American Performing Arts Center at EXPO New Mexico from 3 to 7 p.m. Regular hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., ad Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public

On Saturday, June 11, a Negro League Baseball film festival will take place in the AAPAC auditorium from 1 to 5 p.m. as a special accompaniment to the exhibition. Admission is free and open to the public.

The term "Negro League Baseball" has come to mean different things to different people. The Negro League Baseball exhibition is composed of several components covering history, teams, and hall of famers, including Satchel Paige and Jackie Robinson.

The 521 All-Stars photographic exhibition presents a wide variety of images and graphic materials which look at minor league all-Black baseball in African American communities. It highlights the youthful joys and family pleasures of America's past time as played by the 521 All Stars.

This exhibition and its related activities are presented by the African American Performing Arts Center Foundation and various community organizations.

The exhibition will be on display to the public from May 13, 2011 to August 13, 2011. For more information or to arrange group visits contact Donald L. Jordan at 505 222-0777. You may also visit the official AAPAC website at <a href="https://www.aapacnm.org">www.aapacnm.org</a> for more information.