

### **MLB Network Radio Talking Points:**

- MLB Network is available on (MSO NAME) on HD channel XXX and (SD channel xxx).
- Now celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, MLB Network is the ultimate television destination for baseball fans, with year-round coverage featuring the multiple Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*, live regular season and Postseason game telecasts, original programming, highlights and up-to-the-minute analysis from biggest names in baseball.
- *MLB Tonight* airs every day during the regular season with look-ins of live games, analysis and highlights, plus on-field demonstrations inside MLB Network's Studio 42.
- In addition to *MLB Tonight*, MLB Network offers a wide variety of studio programming throughout the regular season, including *MLB Central*, *The Rundown*, *MLB Now*, *High Heat with Christopher Russo*, *Intentional Talk* and *Quick Pitch*.
- A live, authenticated stream of MLB Network is available on desktop, iPhone, iPad and supported Android smartphones and tablets to MLB Network subscribers throughout the U.S. Users may log in to the authenticated MLB Network stream via MLB At Bat or MLBNetwork.com/Watch with their pay TV provider credentials.

### **Hosts:**

- **Greg Amsinger:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight* and on-site special events including the World Series, All-Star Game, National Baseball Hall of Fame Induction ceremony, and MLB Winter Meetings.
- **Scott Braun:** Studio host and reporter appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *The Rundown* and the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*.
- **Fran Charles:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*.
- **Alexa Datt:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *The Rundown*.
- **Robert Flores:** Co-host of MLB Network's regular season morning show *MLB Central*.
- **Brian Kenny:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *MLB Now* and the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*.
- **Bob Costas:** 2018 Ford C. Frick Award winner presented by the National Baseball Hall of Fame for excellence in baseball broadcasting. Studio host and play-by-play announcer

for *MLB Network Showcase* telecasts. Winner of 28 Sports Emmy Awards, a 2018 inductee of the Sports Broadcasting Hall of Fame, and an eight-time winner of the Sportscaster of the Year award (NSSA) .

- **Kelly Nash:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *The Rundown* and *Quick Pitch*.
- **Stephen Nelson:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *The Rundown*. Nelson was previously named to Forbes' "30 Under 30" sports list in 2016.
- **Chris Rose:** Co-host of MLB Network's *Intentional Talk* with Kevin Millar.
- **Christopher Russo:** Host of MLB Network's *High Heat with Christopher Russo*. Renowned sports talk personality known as the "Mad Dog." In addition to "High Heat," Russo hosts the afternoon sports radio program "Mad Dog Unleashed" on SiriusXM.
- **Lauren Shehadi:** Co-host of MLB Network's regular season morning show *MLB Central*. Shehadi also serves as a contributor for NBC's TODAY.
- **Matt Vasgersian:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Also serves as the play-by-play announcer for ESPN's *Sunday Night Baseball* telecasts.
- **Heidi Watney:** Studio host and reporter appearing across MLB Network's programming, including *Quick Pitch* and the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Watney also serves as an on-site MLB Network reporter throughout the Postseason.
- **Matt Yallof:** Studio host appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the MLB Network Strike Zone channel.

#### **Analysts:**

- **Eric Byrnes:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 11-year Major League veteran, who was a key member of the 2007 National League West Division Champion Arizona Diamondbacks.
- **Sean Casey:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Member of the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame for batting .305 in eight seasons as the Reds first baseman. Three-time National League All-Star, who is known as "The Mayor" for his friendly personality.
- **Ron Darling:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 1986 World Series Champion with the New York

Mets. 13-year Major League pitcher, who was named to the 1985 National League All-Star team. In addition to MLB Network, Darling calls New York Mets games on SportsNet New York throughout the season.

- **Ryan Dempster:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 2013 World Series Champion with the Boston Red Sox. Pitched for five teams across 16 seasons and was named to the National League All-Star team in 2000 and 2008.
- **Mark DeRosa:** Co-host of MLB Network's regular season morning show *MLB Central*. Spent 16 years in the Major Leagues and was a member of the 2010 World Champion San Francisco Giants.
- **Cliff Floyd:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 17-year Major League outfielder, who was a member of the 1997 World Series Champion Florida Marlins and 2001 National League All-Star.
- **Joe Girardi:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Manager of the 2009 World Series champion New York Yankees. 15-year Major League catcher and 2000 National League All-Star, who went on to manage the Florida Marlins in 2006 and the New York Yankees for ten seasons (2008 – 2017).
- **Jim Kaat:** 1982 World Series champion with the St. Louis Cardinals. Three-time All-Star, who won a record 16 consecutive Gold Gloves as a pitcher during his 25-year career.
- **Al Leiter:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Five-time Sports Emmy Award-nominated studio analyst. Two-time World Series champion and two-time National League All-Star during his 19-year Major League career.
- **Mike Lowell:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Member of the Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame. Two-time World Series Champion, who played 13 years in the Major Leagues. Four-time All-Star, and was named the 2007 World Series MVP for batting .400 in 15 at-bats.
- **Pedro Martinez:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 2015 National Baseball Hall of Fame inductee. Three-time Cy Young Award winner, eight-time All-Star and member of the 2004 World Series Champion Boston Red Sox.

- **Kevin Millar:** Co-host of MLB Network's *Intentional Talk* with Chris Rose. 12-year Major League veteran, who played a key role for the 2004 World Series Champion Boston Red Sox.
- **Dan O'Dowd:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. General Manager of the 2007 National League Champion Colorado Rockies. Prior to spending 15 seasons in the Colorado Rockies front office, O'Dowd was the vice president of baseball operations and assistant general manager for the Cleveland Indians.
- **Carlos Peña:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 14-year Major League veteran, who won a Gold Glove Award for his play at first base in 2008. Peña hit 286 home runs in his career and was named to the 2009 American League All-Star team.
- **Dan Plesac:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Three-time American League All-Star, who finished his 18-year Major League career with 1,064 appearances, which ranks seventh all-time in Major League history. Threw the last pitch ever at Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium on September 28, 2003.
- **Harold Reynolds:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. Three-time Sports Emmy Award-winning studio analyst. Two-time American League All-Star, who won three Gold Glove Awards during his 12-year Major League career.
- **Bill Ripken:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 2016 Sports Emmy Award-winning studio analyst. 12-year Major League veteran, who played for the Baltimore Orioles, Texas Rangers, Cleveland Indians and Detroit Tigers.
- **John Smoltz:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 2015 National Baseball Hall of Fame inductee and 2017 Sports Emmy Award-nominated game analyst. 1996 N.L. Cy Young Award winner and key member of the 1995 World Champion Braves. Also serves as the lead game analysts for MLB on Fox, including the All-Star Game and World Series.
- **Jim Thome:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 2018 National Baseball Hall of Fame inductee. A five-time All-Star, who hit 612 home runs during his 22-year Major League career, which ranks eighth all-time in Major League history.

- **Dave Valle:** Studio analyst appearing across MLB Network's programming, including the Emmy Award-winning *MLB Tonight*. 13-year Major League catcher, who spent his first 10 seasons with the Seattle Mariners.

**Insiders:**

- **Peter Gammons, Insider:** 2004 J.G. Taylor Spink Award winner presented by the National Baseball Hall of Fame for his contributions to baseball writing.
- **Jon Heyman, Insider:** Longtime national baseball writer, who is a regular contributor to Fancred, the interactive social and broadcast sports network.
- **Jon Morosi, Insider:** Columnist for MLB.com and contributor to MLB on FOX's coverage throughout the season.
- **Ken Rosenthal, Insider:** Two-time Sports Emmy Award-winning reporter. Also serves as a field reporter for MLB on FOX and is a senior writer for *The Athletic*.
- **Joel Sherman, Insider:** Longtime national baseball writer for the New York Post.
- **Jayson Stark, Insider:** 2019 J.G. Taylor Spink Award winner presented by the National Baseball Hall of Fame for his contributions to sportswriting. Stark is also a senior baseball writer for *The Athletic* and host of *Baseball Stories* on Stadium TV.
- **Tom Verducci, Insider:** Sports Emmy Award winner for his work as both a reporter and as a studio analyst. Also serves as a field reporter for MLB on FOX telecasts and is Sports Illustrated's senior baseball writer.

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