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ERAS COMMITTEE ELECTIONS RESCHEDULED FOR 2021

The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum announced Aug. 24 that its Board of Directors has voted unanimously to reschedule this winter's two Era Committee elections as a result of uncertainties associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.... The Golden Days Era Committee and Early Baseball Era Committee were established by the Board of Directors in 2016 as part of a restructuring of the Era Committee process...The Golden Days Era Committee considers Hall of Fame candidates whose primary contributions to the game came from 1950 to 1969, and the Early Baseball Era Committee considers candidates whose primary contributions came prior to 1950...Each committee will consider a ballot of 10 candidates, compiled by the Baseball Writers' Association of America's Historical Overview Committee, which will be announced in the autumn of 2021...Both committees, which are reconstituted each time they meet, will consider these ballots later that year...Any candidates elected will be enshrined as part of the Hall of Fame's Class of 2022.

The updated schedule of Eras Committee meetings is as follows:

Golden Days Era Committee and Early Baseball Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2021 for the Class of 2022

Today's Game Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2022 for the Class of 2023

*Considering candidates whose primary contribution came from 1988 to the present

Modern Baseball Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2023 for the Class of 2024

*Considering candidates whose primary contribution came from 1970 to 1987

Today's Game Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2024 for the Class of 2025

Modern Baseball Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2025 for the Class of 2026

Golden Days Era Committee

To meet in fall of 2026 for the Class of 2027

Candidates from the Today's Game Era and the Modern Baseball Era are each considered twice in a five-year period, with the Golden Days Era candidates considered once every five years and the Early Days Era candidates considered once every 10 years.

BACK TO BASEBALL

After a pause of almost 15 weeks due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum reopened its doors on Friday, June 26, in accordance with New York State's regionally-focused phased reopening plan and with many enhanced health and safety procedures... A comprehensive health and safety plan for the Museum has been developed in accordance with guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Controls and New York State, and reviewed by a certified Industrial Hygiene Technician, to ensure cleanliness, physical distancing and reduced contact for both visitors and staff... To allow for physical distancing, Museum capacity is limited... Timed admission tickets are available for purchase online and will allow visitors to reserve a specific date and time to enter the Museum, alleviating congestion in the front lobby and throughout the Museum... The Hall of Fame is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.... Per New York State guidelines, the use of face masks for all staff and guests is required... Free single-use masks are available at the Museum entrance for visitors who do not have one... Within the Museum, all exhibit spaces remain open and functional... Guests receive a rubber-tipped stylus to use when interacting with touch-screens and buttons... Directional markers have been added to Museum spaces, along with signage reminding visitors of safety procedures... More than 25 hand sanitizing stations have also been placed throughout the Museum... Until further notice, the Hall of Fame's larger gathering spaces – the Grandstand Theater, Bullpen Theater, Learning Center and Sandlot Kids' Clubhouse – will remain closed... Increased cleaning and disinfecting will take place both within Museum spaces and office areas, while protective clear acrylic shields have been installed at the Museum admission desk and at check-out counters within the Museum Store... Additionally, employee spaces and schedules have been adjusted to accommodate physical distancing, with staggered arrivals and departures to limit staff overlap... For more information and ticketing procedures, please visit baseballhall.org/reopening.

2020 INDUCTION WEEKEND CANCELED: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum announced on April 29 that its Board of Directors voted unanimously to cancel 2020 Hall of Fame Induction Weekend events as a result of health and safety concerns associated with the COVID-19 pandemic... The Class of 2020 – consisting of Derek Jeter, Marvin Miller, Ted Simmons and Larry Walker – will be inducted on Sunday, July 25, 2021, in Cooperstown, alongside any new members elected as part of the Hall of Fame Class of 2021... The *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 24, 2021 will recognize the Hall of Fame's 2020 and 2021 Award Winners, including 2020 J.G. Taylor Spink Award winner Nick Cafardo, 2020 Ford C. Frick Award winner Ken Harrelson and the winner of the 2020 Buck O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award, David Montgomery... The Hall of Fame has held an *Induction Ceremony* in Cooperstown every year since 1961... An *Induction Ceremony* was not held in 1950, 1958 and 1960 after voting resulted in no new electees, while no elections were held in 1940, 1941 and 1943... In 1942, Rogers Hornsby was elected but an *Induction Ceremony* was not held due to travel restrictions related to World War II... Next summer's *Induction Ceremony* will be the first since 1949 to combine multiple classes of electees... The first four Classes of Hall of Fame members, elected from 1936-39, were all enshrined on June 12, 1939, the day of the Museum's formal opening... The Classes of 1946 and 1947 were inducted together in 1947, and the Classes of 1948 and 1949 were inducted together in 1949.

HOF WEEKEND CREDENTIALS: Hall of Fame Weekend 2021 will be held July 23-26 with the annual *Induction Ceremony* scheduled to take place on Sunday, July 25... The Weekend will feature the annual *Awards Presentation* at Doubleday Field on Saturday, July 24 at 4:30 p.m... Class of 2020 members Derek Jeter, Marvin Miller, Ted Simmons and Larry Walker will be honored during the *Induction Ceremony* along with any members of the Class of 2021... Admission to the Ceremony is free and the Ceremony will be broadcast live on MLB Network... Media credential applications for Hall of Fame Weekend will be accepted starting May 1, 2021, at credentials.mlb.com... For more information, please visit baseballhall.org/media-info.

CLASS OF 2020 CONNECTS WITH FANS DURING VIRTUAL HALL OF FAME WEEKEND EVENTS: The National Baseball Hall of Fame's Class of 2020 members Derek Jeter, Marvin Miller, Ted Simmons and Larry Walker were each spotlighted in *Legends of the Game* programs during the July 23-26, 2020, weekend... In anticipation of the return of baseball's best weekend next summer, these virtual events featured the Hall of Famers and special guests as they reflected on their careers and the distinction of receiving the game's greatest honor... These programs are available for viewing at the Museum's Facebook page at facebook.com/baseballhall and on the Museum's YouTube page at youtube.com/thebaseballhall.

2021 FRICK AWARD BALLOT ANNOUNCED IN OCTOBER: The eight-person ballot from the *National Voices* category for the 2021 Ford C. Frick Award will be announced in October... The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's Ford C. Frick Award has been presented annually since 1978 by the Museum for excellence in baseball broadcasting... Awardees are presented with their honor the following summer during Hall of Fame Weekend in Cooperstown... Following changes to the voting regulations implemented by the Hall of Fame's Board of Directors in the summer of 2016, a new election cycle has been established, rotating annually between *Major League Markets* (team-specific announcers); *National Voices* (broadcasters whose contributions were realized on a national level); and *Broadcasting Beginnings* (early team voices and pioneers of baseball broadcasting)... This cycle repeats every three years... Criteria for selection is as follows: "Commitment to excellence, quality of broadcasting abilities, reverence within the game, popularity with fans, and recognition by peers."

2021 SPINK AWARD FINALISTS: The Baseball Writers' Association of America has announced its three finalists for the 2021 J.G. Taylor Spink Award... The finalists are: Former *Newsday* beat writer and columnist Marty Noble; former *Kansas City Star* beat writer and columnist Dick Kaegel; and Allan Simpson, founder of *Baseball America*... The winner of the 2020 J.G. Taylor Spink Award for writers will be announced later this fall.

THE CLASS OF 2020

CAPTAIN FANTASTIC: Derek Jeter played 20 seasons, all for the New York Yankees, and led the Yankees to five World Series titles, winning World Series MVP honors in 2000... He was named 1996 American League Rookie of the Year after hitting .314, scoring 104 runs and helping Yankees win their first World Series title in 18 seasons... A 14-time All-Star who finished in the Top 10 of the AL Most Valuable Player voting eight times, Jeter was named 2000 All-Star Game Most Valuable Player... He led the American League in hits twice (1999, 2012) and runs scored once (1998)... A five-time Gold Glove Award winner at shortstop, Jeter never played a position other than short in his 2,674 games in the field, which ranks second all-time among shortstops... Jeter was named eighth captain in Yankees history in 2003... He scored 100-or-more runs 13 times, hit .300-or-better 12 times and stole 30-or-more bases four times... Jeter reached the 200-hit plateau in eight seasons, third-most such seasons all time and the most of any shortstop... Jeter ranks sixth all-time in hits (3,465), seventh in at-bats (11,195), 11th in runs scored (1,923), 23rd in total bases (4,921), 29th in games played (2,747) and 35th in doubles (544)... He appeared in 33 Postseason series over 16 seasons, the most Postseason series of any player in history... Over a record 158 Postseason games, he hit .308 with 111 runs scored, 200 hits, 32 doubles, 20 homers, 61 RBI and 66 walks.

MARVIN'S GARDENS: Marvin Miller was elected as the head of the Major League Baseball Players Association in 1966 and quickly turned the union into a powerhouse... By 1968, he had negotiated the first collective bargaining agreement between the owners and players and increased the minimum salary by more than 40 percent... By 1970, he had secured the right to independent arbitration to resolve player grievances... Through that arbitration process, Miller won free agency for the players when Dave McNally and Andy Messersmith played out their contracts following the 1975 season... By the time Miller retired in 1982, the average player salary was approximately 20 times what it was when he took over... Miller passed away on Nov. 27, 2012.

TED TALK: Ted Simmons played for 21 seasons for the Cardinals, Brewers and Braves, totaling a .285 batting average, 2,472 hits, 483 doubles, 248 home runs and 1,389 RBI... An eight-time All-Star – and the first catcher to start the All-Star Game for both the National League (1978) and the American League (1983) – he garnered MVP votes seven times in his career and finished among his league's top 10 players in batting average six times... His 193 hits in 1975 are the most of any catcher who caught at least 150 games in a season, and his 192 hits in 1973 rank second on that same list... Among those who played at least 50 percent of their games at catcher, Simmons ranks second in hits, second in doubles, second in RBI and fifth in runs scored... Simmons never struck out more than 57 times in a season, and he is one of only 12 players in history with at least 240 home runs and fewer than 700 strikeouts... Simmons is one of only six catchers with at least two seasons of appearing in at least 150 games at catcher (1973, 1975), and Simmons ranked eighth all-time in games caught (1,771) at the time of his retirement.

HELLO LARRY: Larry Walker played 17 seasons for the Expos, Rockies and Cardinals... A seven-time Gold Glove Award winner in right field and a five-time All-Star, Walker won three National League batting titles and led the NL in on-base percentage twice and slugging percentage twice... Walker's .565 career mark ranks 12th all-time and his career OPS of .965 ranks 15th all-time... Walker won 1997 National League Most Valuable Player Award, hitting .366 with NL-leading totals in home runs (49), total bases (409, the 18th-best single-season total in history), on-base percentage (.452) and slugging percentage (.720)... Walker won three Silver Slugger Awards as an outfielder... He posted 30-homer/30-steal season in 1997 with 49 home runs and 33 stolen bases, becoming just the 14th different NL player to reach that milestone... Walker drove in at least 100 runs in five seasons, hit better than .300 in nine seasons and scored 100-or-more runs in four seasons... Walker is one of four players in history – along with Hank Aaron, George Brett and Willie Mays – with at least a .300 batting average, 300 home runs and 200 stolen bases.

2020 AWARD WINNERS

Ken Harrelson, the 2020 winner of the Ford C. Frick Award for broadcasters; Nick Cafardo, the 2020 winner of the Baseball Writers' Association of America's J.G. Taylor Spink Award; and David Montgomery, the 2020 Buck O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award winner, will be honored at the 2021 Hall of Fame *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 24 in Cooperstown along with the 2021 Spink Award winner and the 2021 Frick Award winner.

HAWK'S PRIDE: Ken Harrelson, who became a Chicago icon while calling White Sox games for 34 of his 43 years behind the mic, has been selected as the 2020 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Born Sept. 4, 1941, in Woodruff, S.C., and raised in Savannah, Ga., Harrelson was a star amateur athlete in several sports before signing with the Kansas City Athletics in 1959 following a heated bidding war...A series of deals in the 1967 season brought Harrelson to Boston, where he helped the "Impossible Dream" Red Sox win the American League pennant...In 1968, Harrelson had his best season, hitting 35 home runs to go with an AL-best 109 RBI during the Year of the Pitcher...A broken leg in Spring Training of 1970 hastened the end of his playing career, and, after a stint as a pro golfer, Harrelson turned to broadcasting...He called games on television and radio for the Red Sox from 1975-81, then moved to the White Sox in 1982...He was hired as the White Sox's general manager following the 1985 campaign, and after one season in the front office returned to the broadcast booth with the Yankees in 1987...Harrelson rejoined the White Sox's booth in 1989, remaining with the team for the next three decades before retiring after the 2018 season...A five-time Emmy Award winner, Harrelson's trademark calls of "You can put it on the board...Yes!" and "Mercy!" became the nightly soundtrack for multiple generations of White Sox fans...Harrelson is the 44th winner of the Frick Award.

PHILADELPHIA FEELING: David Montgomery is the 2020 recipient of the John Jordan "Buck" O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award, presented to an individual for extraordinary efforts to enhance baseball's positive impact on society...Montgomery, who passed away on May 8, 2019, becomes the fifth winner of the Buck O'Neil Award, which was established in 2007 to honor an individual whose efforts broadened the game's appeal and whose character, integrity and dignity is comparable to the late O'Neil, who passed away in 2006 after eight decades of contributions to the game...Montgomery became a Philadelphia icon while spending his entire career in baseball, spanning parts of five decades, devoted to the Phillies, working his way up from the sales office to become executive vice president and chief operating officer before acquiring an ownership stake in the team...He later served as president, chief executive officer and then assumed the role of chairman in January of 2015...In his role as president and CEO, Montgomery became the face of the Phillies front office...Under his leadership, the team enjoyed one of the longest sustained periods of success in franchise history from 2007-11, winning five consecutive National League East titles, two NL pennants and the World Series in 2008...Montgomery advanced many community service efforts for the Phillies, including helping raise more than \$19 million for the ALS Association of Greater Philadelphia, the official charity of the team...Montgomery worked closely with Phillies Charities, Inc., the official charitable arm of the organization, to provide support for other nonprofit organizations in the Philadelphia area and in the communities of the Phillies' minor league affiliates...O'Neil was honored as the first recipient of the Award in 2008...Roland Hemond (2011), Joe Garagiola (2014) and Rachel Robinson (2017) are the other previous winners of the O'Neil Award.

NICK OF TIME: Nick Cafardo, whose tireless reporting and discerning writing brought Red Sox baseball to millions of New Englanders, has been named the winner of the 2020 J.G. Taylor Spink Award in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America...A Weymouth Mass., native and Suffolk University graduate, Cafardo joined the *Boston Globe* as baseball columnist in 1989 and took over the *Globe's* venerable Sunday notes column...The author of four baseball books and the winner of the Massachusetts Sportswriter of the Year Award in 2014, Cafardo covered the Red Sox's World Series wins in 2004, 2007, 2013 and 2018...Cafardo, who passed away while still on the job on Feb. 21, 2019, is the 71st winner of the Spink Award.

VOTING RECAP

THE 2020 BALLOT: The BBWAA ballot featured 32 players, including 18 new candidates and 14 returnees...Candidates appearing on the necessary 75 percent of all ballots cast to earn election appear in bold below...Candidates receiving less than five percent of the vote are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Fourteen players will return for consideration in 2021...A total of 397 votes were cast, with 298 votes necessary for election and 20 votes necessary to remain on the ballot...Derek Jeter became the 57th player elected to the Hall on his first BBWAA ballot...Larry Walker became the seventh player elected to the Hall in his final year eligible on the BBWAA ballot...The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2020	NAME	YR	2020	NAME	YR	2020
Derek Jeter	1	99.7%	Andruw Jones	3	19.4%	<i>J.J. Putz</i>	1	0.3%
Larry Walker	10	76.6%	Sammy Sosa	8	13.9%	<i>Josh Beckett</i>	1	0.0%
Curt Schilling	8	70.0%	Andy Pettitte	2	11.3%	<i>Heath Bell</i>	1	0.0%
Roger Clemens	8	61.0%	Bobby Abreu	1	5.5%	<i>Chone Figgins</i>	1	0.0%
Barry Bonds	8	60.7%	<i>Paul Konerko</i>	1	2.5%	<i>Rafael Furcal</i>	1	0.0%
Omar Vizquel	3	52.6%	<i>Jason Giambi</i>	1	1.5%	<i>Carlos Peña</i>	1	0.0%
Scott Rolen	3	35.3%	<i>Alfonso Soriano</i>	1	1.5%	<i>Brian Roberts</i>	1	0.0%
Billy Wagner	5	31.7%	<i>Eric Chávez</i>	1	0.5%	<i>José Valverde</i>	1	0.0%
Gary Sheffield	6	30.5%	<i>Cliff Lee</i>	1	0.5%			
Todd Helton	2	29.2%	<i>Adam Dunn</i>	1	0.3%			
Manny Ramírez	4	28.2%	<i>Raúl Ibañez</i>	1	0.3%			
Jeff Kent	7	27.5%	<i>Brad Penny</i>	1	0.3%			

THE VOTING ELECTORATE: Of the 409 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2020 election, 397 were returned, a return rate of 97.1 percent...The most ballots ever cast in one BBWAA Hall of Fame election came in 2011 with 581...Voting privileges are extended to those BBWAA members meeting their organization’s Hall of Fame voting qualifications and in good standing with the BBWAA...Voters can select from zero to 10 names on their Hall of Fame ballot...Votes on 75 percent of all ballots cast are necessary for election.

CAREFUL SELECTION: 2020 marked the 76th Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 68 times and on eight occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013)...On nine occasions, no election was held (1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965)...The BBWAA membership has elected from zero to five candidates in each of its 76 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in two players more than any other quantity (27 times).

ELECTED	TIMES	LAST	CLASS
5	1	1936	Cobb, Johnson, Mathewson, Ruth, Wagner
4	5	2019	Halladay, Martinez, Mussina, Rivera
3	9	2017	Bagwell, Raines, Rodríguez
2	27	2020	Jeter, Walker
1	26	2012	Larkin
0	8	2013	-----

20/20 VISION: With the election of Derek Jeter and Larry Walker, the BBWAA has elected at least two Hall of Fame candidates in seven straight years and a total of 22 candidates during that time...The 2014-2020 stretch marks the first time the BBWAA has elected two-or-more candidates in seven consecutive years.

57 AT FIRST: The election of Derek Jeter brings the total of first-year BBWAA inductees to 57 and marks the seventh straight year with at least one first-ballot inductee, the first such stretch since a run of eight straight years from 1988-95.

YANKEES TOP THE LIST: Derek Jeter’s election gives the Yankees 21 players in the Hall of Fame, breaking a tie with the New York Giants for most Hall of Fame players...For that list, games played was the deciding factor for position players who suited up for more than one club; for pitchers, games won was the yardstick used...Using that criteria, Yankees players in the Hall of Fame include: Yogi Berra, Jack Chesbro, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Lefty Gomez, Joe Gordon, Goose Gosage, Waite Hoyt, Derek Jeter, Willie Keeler, Tony Lazzeri, Mickey Mantle, Herb Pennock, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Red Ruffing, Babe Ruth and Dave Winfield.

ONE AND ONLY: Derek Jeter is the ninth Yankees player elected to the Hall of Fame who spent his entire career with the Yankees...Fifty-five Hall of Famers spent their entire career with one team, and no other team besides the Yankees has more than five Hall of Famers who played their entire career with the same franchise.

KEEP ON WALKING: Larry Walker received 10.2 percent of the BBWAA vote in his fourth year on the ballot in 2014...He is the first player elected by the BBWAA who received less than 12 percent of the vote in any election during his candidacy since Bob Lemon, who was elected in 1976 and received 11.9 percent of the vote in his first year eligible in 1964.

NORTH OF THE BORDER: Larry Walker, a native of Maple Ridge, British Columbia, became the second Canadian elected to the Hall of Fame...Ferguson Jenkins, a native of Chatham, Ontario, was elected in 1991.

FINAL ANSWER: Larry Walker became the seventh player elected to the Hall of Fame by the BBWAA in his final year of eligibility, joining Red Ruffing (1967), Joe Medwick (1968), Ralph Kiner (1975), Jim Rice (2009), Tim Lincecum (2017) and Edgar Martinez (2019).

TEAMING UP: With Larry Walker’s election, each of the current 30 MLB teams have featured a Hall of Famer on their roster at some point...Prior to the 2020 BBWAA election, the Rockies were the only team that never had a future Hall of Famer appear in a regular season game.

HIGH JUMP: Larry Walker added 22 points to his 2020 voting percentage from his 2019 voting percentage...The Top 5 jumps in BBWAA voting history among players elected to the Hall of Fame in that year, compared to their previous year’s percentage: Frankie Frisch: 59 percent jump from 1946-47; Carl Hubbell: 58.5 percent jump from 1946-47; Mickey Cochrane: 54.8 percent jump from 1946-47; Lefty Grove: 53.2 percent jump from 1946-47; Cy Young: 27 percent jump from 1936-37.

NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE: A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2021:** Tim Hudson, Torii Hunter, Aramis Ramirez, Barry Zito; **2022:** Prince Fielder, David Ortiz, Alex Rodríguez, Mark Teixeira; **2023:** Carlos Beltrán, John Lackey, Francisco Rodríguez, Jayson Werth; **2024:** Adrián Beltré, Joe Mauer, Chase Utley, David Wright; **2025:** Brian McCann, CC Sabathia, Ichiro Suzuki, Troy Tulowitzki.

RULES FOR ELECTION: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-election/bbwaa>... Voting rules state that: “Voting shall be based upon the player's record, playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions to the team(s) on which the player played.”

THE GAME’S ELITE: The Hall of Fame is comprised of 333 elected members...Included are 235 former major league players, 31 executives, 35 Negro Leaguers, 22 managers and 10 umpires...The BBWAA has elected 134 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 173 deserving candidates (101 major leaguers, 31 executives, 22 managers, 10 umpires and nine Negro Leaguers)...The defunct “Committee on Negro Baseball Leagues” selected nine men between 1971-77 and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues in 2006 elected 17 Negro Leaguers...There are currently 79 living members.

79 AMBASSADORS: The 79 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Henry Aaron, Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Whitey Ford, Bob Gibson, Pat Gillick, Tom Glavine, Goose Gosage, Ken Griffey Jr., Vladimir Guerrero, Rickey Henderson, Whitey Herzog, Trevor Hoffman, Reggie Jackson, Ferguson Jenkins, Derek Jeter, Randy Johnson, Chipper Jones, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Tommy Lasorda, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazeroski, Paul Molitor, Joe Morgan, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Phil Niekro, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Gaylord Perry, Mike Piazza, Tim Lincecum, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Brooks Robinson, Iván Rodríguez, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Don Sutton, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

CONNECTING GENERATIONS: **Tommy Lasorda**, born Sept. 22, 1927, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 93...**Vladimir Guerrero**, who was born on Feb. 9, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 45 years of age.

BETWEEN THE LINES: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 264 Hall of Famers who earned their election on the playing field...Also included is the last major leaguer to be elected at each position...Numbers in parentheses indicate Hall of Famers elected by the BBWAA at each position.

Pitchers 83 (45)	Second Baseman ..21 (11)	Left Fielders22 (12)
Catchers 19 (10)	Third Baseman 17 (8)	Center Fielders24 (8)
First Baseman 24 (12)	Shortstops26 (12)	Right Fielders26 (15)
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P: Halladay, Mussina, Rivera, Smith (2019)	DH: Baines, Martinez (2019)	LF: Raines (2017)
C: Simmons (2020)	2B: Biggio (2015)	CF: Griffey Jr. (2016)
1B: Thome (2018)	3B: Jones (2018)	RF: Walker (2020)
	SS: Jeter (2020)	

FIRST THINGS FIRST: With the election of Derek Jeter, 57 players have been elected in their first year of eligibility (18 pitchers, seven RF, six 3B, six LF, six SS, five CF, three 2B, three 1B, two catchers and one DH; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 14 of the last 20 elections, at least one player has been elected in his first year of eligibility... Other than the inaugural Hall of Fame election, 1999, 2014 and 2015 are the only three years where as many as three first-year candidates were elected at once...NOTE: Lou Gehrig (who received votes in 1936 while active and then was elected by acclamation in 1939) and Roberto Clemente (by special election in 1973) were each elected through a non-traditional process and are not counted in the 57.

YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME
1936	Ty Cobb	1981	Bob Gibson	1995	Mike Schmidt	2014	Tom Glavine
1936	Honus Wagner	1982	Hank Aaron	1999	Nolan Ryan	2014	Frank Thomas
1936	Babe Ruth	1982	Frank Robinson	1999	George Brett	2015	Randy Johnson
1936	Christy Mathewson	1983	Brooks Robinson	1999	Robin Yount	2015	Pedro Martínez
1936	Walter Johnson	1985	Lou Brock	2001	Kirby Puckett	2015	John Smoltz
1962	Jackie Robinson	1986	Willie McCovey	2001	Dave Winfield	2016	Ken Griffey Jr.
1962	Bob Feller	1988	Willie Stargell	2002	Ozzie Smith	2017	Iván Rodríguez
1966	Ted Williams	1989	Johnny Bench	2003	Eddie Murray	2018	Chipper Jones
1969	Stan Musial	1989	Carl Yastrzemski	2004	Dennis Eckersley	2018	Jim Thome
1972	Sandy Koufax	1990	Joe Morgan	2004	Paul Molitor	2019	Roy Halladay
1973	Warren Spahn	1990	Jim Palmer	2005	Wade Boggs	2019	Mariano Rivera
1974	Mickey Mantle	1991	Rod Carew	2007	Cal Ripken Jr.	2020	Derek Jeter
1977	Ernie Banks	1992	Tom Seaver	2007	Tony Gwynn		
1979	Willie Mays	1993	Reggie Jackson	2009	Rickey Henderson		
1980	Al Kaline	1994	Steve Carlton	2014	Greg Maddux		

TRY AND TRY AGAIN: The 75 men not elected by the BBWAA in their first year eligible were done so on a later ballot, taking from two to 16 elections...The length of time a player could stay on the BBWAA ballot has varied throughout history...From 1946-56, the rule was that a player must have been active at some point in the 25 years prior to the election – it was increased to 30 years from 1956-62, was 20 years from 1963-2014 and is now 15 years...When one walks through the Hall of Fame Gallery, though, the year or method by which players were elected are not noted...The 75 non-first year BBWAA electees: **2nd election** (Alomar, Berra, Fingers, Fisk, Ford, Guerrero, Lajoie, Speaker, Young); **3rd election** (Alexander, Biggio, Grove, Hoffman, Hubbell, Hunter, Jenkins, Larkin, Marichal, Ott, Perry, Sandberg); **4th election** (E.Collins, DiMaggio, Keeler, Killebrew, Piazza, Roberts, Sisler, Wynn); **5th election** (Campanella, Hornsby, Mathews, Niekro, Sutton); **6th election** (Aparicio, Carter, Cochrane, Frisch, Gehringer, Mussina, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Appling, Bagwell, Foxx); **8th election** (Pennock, Traynor, Wilhelm); **9th election** (Dawson, Gossage, Greenberg, Medwick, Perez); **10th election** (Boudreau, Cronin, Dickey, Drysdale, Lyons, E Martinez, Raines, A.Simmons, Walker); **11th election** (Snider); **12th election** (Dean, Hartnett, Heilmann, Lemon); **13th election** (Kiner, Sutter); **14th election** (Blyleven, Maranville, Terry); **15th election** (Rice, Ruffing); **16th election** (Vance).

ONE-TEAM WONDERS: There are 55 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team, with 2020 electee Derek Jeter the most recent addition to this list...The list includes: Luke Appling, Jeff Bagwell, Ernie Banks, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, George Brett, Roy Campanella, Roberto Clemente, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Bobby Doerr, Don Drysdale, Red Faber, Bob Feller, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Charlie Gehringer, Bob Gibson, Tony Gwynn, Carl Hubbell, Travis Jackson, Derek Jeter, Walter Johnson, Chipper Jones, Addie Joss, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Bob Lemon, Ted Lyons, Mickey Mantle, Edgar Martinez, Bill Mazerowski, Bid McPhee, Stan Musial, Mel Ott, Jim Palmer, Kirby Puckett, Pee Wee Reese, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Brooks Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Mike Schmidt, Willie Stargell, Alan Trammell, Pie Traynor, Bill Terry, Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski, Ross Youngs and Robin Yount.

NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW: Derek Jeter became the 35th player to earn at least 90 percent in any one BBWAA election... The 35 players with at least 90% of votes cast in their favor:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	% RECEIVED	OMITTED BALLOTS
2019	Mariano Rivera	425	425	100%	0
2020	Derek Jeter	397	396	99.75%	1
2016	Ken Griffey Jr.	440	437	99.32%	3
1992	Tom Seaver	430	425	98.84%	5
1999	Nolan Ryan	497	491	98.79%	6
2007	Cal Ripken	545	537	98.53%	8
1936	Ty Cobb	226	222	98.23%	4
1999	George Brett	497	488	98.19%	9
1982	Hank Aaron	415	406	97.83%	9
2007	Tony Gwynn	545	532	97.60%	13
2015	Randy Johnson	549	534	97.27%	15
2014	Greg Maddux	571	555	97.20%	16
2018	Chipper Jones	422	410	97.16%	12
1995	Mike Schmidt	460	444	96.52%	16
1989	Johnny Bench	447	431	96.42%	16
1994	Steve Carlton	456	436	95.61%	20
1936	Honus Wagner	226	215	95.13%	11
1936	Babe Ruth	226	215	95.13%	11
2009	Rickey Henderson	539	511	94.81%	28
1979	Willie Mays	432	409	94.67%	23
1989	Carl Yastrzemski	447	423	94.63%	24
1962	Bob Feller	160	150	93.75%	10
1993	Reggie Jackson	423	396	93.62%	27
1966	Ted Williams	302	282	93.37%	20
1969	Stan Musial	340	317	93.23%	23
2018	Vladimir Guerrero	392	422	92.89%	30
1990	Jim Palmer	444	411	92.57%	33
1983	Brooks Robinson	374	344	91.97%	30
2014	Tom Glavine	571	525	91.94%	46
2005	Wade Boggs	516	474	91.86%	42
2002	Ozzie Smith	472	433	91.74%	39
2015	Pedro Martínez	549	500	91.07%	49
1936	Christy Mathewson	226	205	90.70%	21
1991	Rod Carew	443	401	90.50%	42
2011	Roberto Alomar	581	523	90.02%	58

CLOSE, AND CIGAR: Twenty-seven Hall of Famers have earned election by 10 votes or less:

YEAR	PLAYER	VOTES NEEDED	RECEIVED	MARGIN
1939	Willie Keeler	206	207	1
1953	Al Simmons	198	199	1
1975	Ralph Kiner	272	273	1
1991	Ferguson Jenkins	333	334	1
1937	Cy Young	151	153	2
1947	Lefty Grove	121	123	2
1948	Pie Traynor	91	93	2
1948	Herb Pennock	91	94	3
1962	Jackie Robinson	120	124	4
2017	Iván Rodríguez	332	336	4
1972	Early Wynn	297	301	4
1987	Jim "Catfish" Hunter	310	315	5
1954	Bill Terry	189	195	6
1955	Gabby Hartnett	189	195	6
2005	Ryne Sandberg	387	393	6
2020	Larry Walker	298	304	6
1939	Eddie Collins	206	213	7
1942	Rogers Hornsby	175	182	7
1947	Mickey Cochrane	121	128	7
1956	Joe Cronin	145	152	7
1970	Lou Boudreau	225	232	7
2009	Jim Rice	405	412	7
2019	Mike Mussina	319	326	7
1951	Jimmie Foxx	170	179	9
1991	Gaylord Perry	333	342	9
1974	Whitey Ford	274	284	10
2000	Tony Pérez	375	385	10

MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

COMING TO COOPERSTOWN: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has already received treasures from the 2020 season, including: A ball used in the July 18 exhibition game between the Nationals and the Pirates, the first game between two teams in the Summer Camp period...The ball thrown by the National's Max Scherzer for the first pitch of the 2020 season on July 23 at Nationals Park...A bat used by the Giants' Hunter Pence on July 23 when he became the first designated hitter to come to bat in an NL vs. NL game...A jersey worn during warm-ups by Alyssa Nakken on July 23 when she became the first female coach in an MLB game...Base, first-pitch ball and jersey worn by Rangers pitcher Lance Lynn during the first game at Globe Life Field on July 24...Second base from the July 24 game between the Angels and the Athletics, the first game where a runner was placed on second base in extra innings...A jersey worn by the Royals' Alex Gordon on July 31, featuring a patch honoring former team owner and Hall of Fame board member David Glass...A unused baseball produced for Minor League Baseball's 2020 Opening Day...The spikes worn by the Mets' Billy Hamilton on Aug. 5 when he stole the 300th base of his career...The cap worn by the Tigers' Tyler Alexander on Aug. 2 against the Reds when he set a new record for relievers and tied the overall American League record with nine straight strikeouts...The spikes worn by the Marlins' Eddy Alvarez on Aug. 5 when he debuted in the big leagues to become the first Winter Olympics medalist to also play in an MLB game...The cap worn by Marlins manager Don Mattingly on Aug. 6 when he set a new franchise record with his 282nd victory...The bat used by the White Sox's Eloy Jiménez when he homered against the Cardinals on Aug. 16, giving the White Sox a record-tying four home runs in a row...The helmet worn by the Padres' Eric Hosmer Aug. 20 when his home run gave San Diego grand slam in a record fourth straight game...And the cap worn by the White Sox's Lucas Giolito and a ball thrown by him during his Aug. 25 no-hitter against the Pirates.

COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

MUSEUM DEBUTS STARTING NINE EXPERIENCE: The National Pastime’s perfect number has come to Cooperstown: Nine innings, nine fielders – and now the *Starting Nine* experience at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...The Hall of Fame is introducing *Starting Nine: The Must-See Artifacts from Your Team* for Museum visitors in 2020...This team-themed experience highlights nine amazing pieces for each team among the vast collection of tens of thousands of treasured artifacts preserved in Cooperstown...The Museum’s curators spent countless hours mining the collection for special objects that represent each major league team, providing a new and extraordinary visitor experience tailored to each baseball fan...A lineup card – available at the Hall of Fame or on its mobile website – identifies nine must-see artifacts for each of the 30 Major League Baseball teams...From the helmet Cal Ripken Jr. wore during his 2,130th consecutive game played to the spikes that sparked the end to a franchise’s 86-year title drought, or the bat used to hit a World Series-clinching home run, the Baseball Hall of Fame *Starting Nine* experience has the must-sees for fans of every team – with visitors able to stand inches from iconic pieces of baseball history.

BOOK IT AT THE HALL: Published this fall, “The National Baseball Hall of Fame Collection” by James Buckley features biographies, statistics and photos of more than 175 members of the most exclusive club in the sport in beautiful book every baseball fan should own...Separated into chapters by position, “The National Baseball Hall of Fame Collection” highlights the best and the most memorable players, events, championships, moments, and more...Meet the greats of the game from before you were born and relive the memories that you shared with your diamond heroes of recent years...The text is updated through the 2020 Hall of Fame elections, with Derek Jeter, Marvin Miller, Ted Simmons and Larry Walker joining their fellow inductees in a book that features:

- Profiles of more than 175 legendary Hall of Famers
- Photo explorations into rare memorabilia, including game tickets, scouting reports, scorecards, and contracts
- Notable awards, records, stats and a complete list of the 333 members of the Hall of Fame
- Full-color photos and informative sidebars throughout

A great holiday gift for the baseball fan in your life, “The National Baseball Hall of Fame Collection” is available for purchase online at shop.baseballhall.org.

USS COOPERSTOWN CHRISTENED IN WISCONSIN: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum participated in christening ceremonies for the future USS Cooperstown, a Freedom-variant littoral combat ship (LCS), on Feb. 29 in Marinette, Wis., at Fincantieri Marinette Marine, where the ship is nearing completion...As the USS Cooperstown’s Honorary Sponsor, the Chairman of the Board of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, Jane Forbes Clark, delivered the ceremony’s keynote address...Announced in 2015 by United States Navy Secretary Ray Mabus, the Navy’s 23rd Littoral Combat Ship was named the USS Cooperstown to honor the military veterans who are members of the National Baseball Hall of Fame...Sixty-eight Hall of Fame veterans interrupted their careers for service in the United States Military.

HALL OF FAME FEATURED IN ‘THE GREAT COURSES’: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has teamed up with The Great Courses to tell the story of baseball, which dates back hundreds of years...In 24 lectures that paint a portrait of the sport’s remarkable past, taking you from the decades before the Civil War to the pivotal year of 1920, *Play Ball! The Rise of Baseball as America’s Pastime* strikes a perfect balance between sports lore and cultural history...For more information, please visit TheGreatCourses.com/BHOF.

TIME TO VISIT: The Museum resumed regular hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily on June 26... The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day...Ticket prices are \$25 for adults (13 and over), \$20 for seniors (65 and over), \$18 for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$15 for juniors (ages 7-12)...Members and active or career retired military personnel are always admitted free of charge and there is no charge for children 6 years of age or younger...For more information, visit our website at www.baseballhall.org or call or (607) 547-7200.