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Mixed Roots Foundation Presents Patti Stanger of Bravo's The Millionaire Matchmaker to Throw Out First Pitch at Adoptee Day with Los Angeles Dodgers - Sunday, September 1 Special Event will Raise Awareness & Funds for More Post-Adoption Resources for Adoptees & Families

San Francisco, CA and Los Angeles, CA - August 20, 2013 - The Mixed Roots Foundation proudly announces its second signature sporting event of the season - Adoptee Day with the Los Angeles Dodgers to take place on Sunday, September 1, 2013 – 1:10 p.m. at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, CA.

Adoptee Day with the LA Dodgers will feature the ceremonial First Pitch thrown out by an adoptee herself, Patti Stanger, who is most widely known as the star and executive producer of Bravo's hit docu-series The Millionaire Matchmaker. Patti was adopted and grew up in New Jersey and now she is going on her seventh season of *The Millionaire Matchmaker* serving as an experienced third-generation matchmaker and being one of the most sought after in the matchmaking field.

"I am so excited to throw out the First Pitch for Adoptee Day with the LA Dodgers," stated Patti Stanger. "It is so important to educate people about all of the issues that adoptees may face growing up and knowing there are resources out there. I look forward to partnering with the Mixed Roots Foundation to help raise money and awareness for all adoptees and their families. I hope that Adoptee Day will bring a message of hope and unity – Go Dodgers!"

Mixed Roots Foundation's community sponsors for Adoptee Day with the LA Dodgers include Hertz and Spokeo. The local **community partners** benefiting from a portion of all Adoptee Day ticket sales include **Celia Center**, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) - Los Angeles, and Multiracial Americans of Southern California (MASC) all who provide important post adoption resources to adoptees and families in the southern California area.















For more information on how to buy tickets please contact Sammy Park at the LA Dodgers at 323.224.4287 or email sammyp@ladodgers.com. Tickets may also be bought online at www.dodgers.com/adopteeday. To learn more about Mixed Roots Foundation, please LIKE Mixed Roots Foundation on Facebook, call 800.659.6958, or email events@mixedrootsfoundation.org. To donate, please text ADOPTEES on a mobile phone to 56512 or visit www.mixedrootsfoundation.org.

About Patti Stanger

Patti Stanger is the star and executive producer of Bravo's hit docu-series The Millionaire Matchmaker. Going into its seventh season, the show has gained record-breaking viewership and captured a worldwide following for Stanger. Patti is known for navigating her business dealings with intense passion, and for those that turn to her for help in the love department, she gives them nothing less than her soul in the quest to find them their perfect match. Patti also founded her own Millionaires Club that introduce men and women from the initial meeting to the marriage proposal. For more information, please visit: www.bravotv.com/the-millionaire-matchmaker

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About Hertz

Hertz is the global leader in mobility and equipment solutions with a mission to be the lowest cost, but with highest quality and most customer focused rental company in every market they serve and create value for the shareholders of the company. By focusing on and balancing customer and employee satisfaction and asset management with an emphasis on efficiency and growth, Hertz is able to achieve its vision and mission and beyond.

For more information, please visit: www.hertz.com

About Spokeo

Founded in 2006 by a group of Stanford graduates, Spokeo has grown to nearly 100 team members with offices based in Pasadena's historic old town neighborhood. Spokeo serves as the leading people search platform using proprietary technology to organize information into comprehensive yet easy-to-understand online profiles that allow individuals to search and reunite, browse and discover information online.

For more information, please visit: www.spokeo.com















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About Celia Center

The Celia Center was established by a foster care adoptee herself and has a mission to address the critical needs of the Foster Care / Adoption community by providing affordable mental health, education, and support services to all members of the bio-foster-adoption constellation, including local and national professional social workers, nurses, case managers and therapists through innovative programming and unique therapeutic interventions.

For more Information, please visit: www.yoffetherapy.com/celia/

About CASA of Los Angeles

Founded in 1978, CASA of Los Angeles is a community-supported 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to mobilize community volunteers to advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children in the overburdened foster care system of Los Angeles County. Through committed, highly trained Court Appointed Special Advocates, CASA / LA brings the voice of a concerned community into the child welfare system.

For more information, please visit: www.casala.org

About Multiracial Americans of Southern California (MASC)

Co-founded over 20 years ago by Nancy G. Brown, a partner in an interracial marriage, and Levonne Gaddy, a multiracial adult, the major goals of MASC are to celebrate interracial families, couples, and individuals, push for the ability to claim full heritage, eradicate stereotypes, and begin community dialogue. The mission of MASC seeks to broaden the self and public understanding of the interracial, multiethnic, and cross-cultural society by facilitating interethnic dialogue and providing cultural, educational, and recreational activities.

For more information, please visit: www.mascsite.org

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