

## Championship Round Matchups Set for Legends Classic

Pittsburgh-Texas Tech, Stanford-Houston to meet at Barclays Center in Brooklyn

**PRINCETON, N.J.** – The pairings are set for the Championship Rounds of the seventh annual **Legends Classic**, which will take place at **Barclays Center** in Brooklyn, N.Y.

After playing a pair of regional round games on campus, **Pittsburgh, Stanford, Texas Tech**, and **Houston** will travel to Brooklyn for Championship Round action on Nov. 25-26. The semifinal doubleheader on Monday, Nov. 25 will begin with Pittsburgh squaring off against Texas Tech at 7:30 p.m. (ET), followed by Stanford taking on Houston. Both games will be televised live on ESPN2. The next night, the consolation game will begin at 7:00 p.m. on ESPN3 followed by the championship game on ESPNU.

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**TICKET INFORMATION:** Tickets for Championship Round games of the Legends Classic at Barclays Center are on sale now and can be purchased online via Ticketmaster by visiting [www.barclayscenter.com](http://www.barclayscenter.com) or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or by calling 800-745-3000. Tickets are also available at the American Express Box Office at Barclays Center.

### ---- CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS ----

#### Semifinal Doubleheader

*Barclays Center - Brooklyn, N.Y.*

**Monday, November 25 - 7:30 P.M.**

**ET Pittsburgh vs. Texas Tech (ESPN2)  
Stanford vs. Houston (ESPN2)**

#### Championship Doubleheader

*Barclays Center - Brooklyn, N.Y.*

**Tuesday, November 26 - 7:00 P.M.**

**ET Consolation Game (ESPN3)  
Championship Game (ESPNU)**

The complete schedule for the Legends Classic, as well as additional television information, will be announced at a later date.

#### **Pittsburgh Panthers - Head Coach: Jamie Dixon (Atlantic Coast Conference)**

2013 marked the 24th NCAA Tournament appearance by the Panthers, including 11 bids in the last 12 years...Pitt ended its Big East membership with the league's best record over the last dozen years (141-63, .691)...head coach Jamie Dixon sees the return of three starters and five of last season's top 10 scorers as Pitt enters its first year as a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference...6-5 swingman Lamar Patterson (10.0 ppg, 94 assists) and 6-9 forward Talib Zanna (9.6 ppg, 6.1 rpg) headline the returnees...the Panthers were 24-9 in 2012-13.

#### **Stanford Cardinal - Head Coach: Johnny Dawkins (Pacific-12 Conference)**

The Cardinal advanced to the NIT for the second consecutive season in posting a 19-15 record...head coach Johnny Dawkins will welcome back 14 players from last year's squad, including eight of his top nine scorers...leading the way are 6-10 forward Dwight Powell and guard Chasson Randle...Powell led the Cardinal in scoring (14.9 ppg) and rebounding (8.2 rpg), while Randle netted 13.6 ppg and handed out 89 assists...Stanford has been to 16 NCAA Tournaments.

#### **Texas Tech Red Raiders - Head Coach: Tubby Smith (Big 12 Conference)**

The Red Raiders are under the direction of first-year head coach Tubby Smith, who has 511 wins and 17 NCAA appearances under his belt...Smith inherits a roster that returns 10 players from a year ago, led by 6-7 forward Jaye Crockett, who posted team highs of 11.9 ppg and 6.5 rpg...also back is 6-7 frontcourt player Jordan Tolbert, who averaged 9.9 points and 5.5 rebounds a game...Texas Tech has participated in 14 NCAA Tournaments.

**Houston Cougars - Head Coach: James Dickey (American Athletic Conference)**

Head coach James Dickey guided the Cougars to a 20-13 mark, the first 20-win season since the 2008-09 campaign, and the quarterfinals of the CBI...first-team Conference USA selection 6-8 TaShawn Thomas (16.9 ppg, 9.8 rpg) leads a team that returns 11 players from a year ago...guard Danuel House (12.4 ppg, 4.9 rpg) was the 2013 Conference USA Freshman of the Year...the Cougars have been to 19 NCAA Tournaments and five Final Fours...Houston begins its association with the American Athletic Conference in 2013-14.

The Legends Classic is produced by the Gazelle Group of Princeton, N.J. The Gazelle Group is a sports marketing firm, specializing in event production and management, client representation, and sponsorship consulting. Gazelle produces numerous nationally-recognized events, such as the 2K Sports Classic, Gotham Classic, the College Basketball Invitational, and the All-American Championship. For more information on the Gazelle Group, please visit [gazellegroup.com](http://gazellegroup.com).

The Northeast Conference (NEC) is the sponsoring conference of the Legends Classic. Entering its 33rd season, the NEC is a NCAA Division I collegiate athletic association consisting of 10 institutions of higher learning located throughout six states. For more information on the NEC, visit the official website at [www.northeastconference.org](http://www.northeastconference.org) or follow on Twitter @NECsports.

Barclays Center is a major sports and entertainment venue in the heart of Brooklyn, New York. Developed by Brooklyn-based real estate developer Forest City Ratner Companies, and designed by the award-winning architectural firms AECOM ([www.aecom.com/architecture](http://www.aecom.com/architecture)) and SHoP Architects ([www.shoparc.com](http://www.shoparc.com)), Barclays Center has one of the most intimate seating configurations ever designed into a modern multi-purpose arena, with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities. Barclays Center offers approximately 17,732 seats for basketball, 14,500 seats for hockey and up to 19,000 seats for concerts, and has 101 luxury suites, four bars/lounges, four clubs, and 40/40 CLUB & Restaurant by American Express.

Located atop one of the largest transportation hubs in New York City, Barclays Center is accessible by 11 subway lines, the Long Island Rail Road, and 11 bus lines. For more information on Barclays Center, please visit [www.barclayscenter.com](http://www.barclayscenter.com).