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**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY TO HOST
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL'S MOST SENIOR FEMALE EXECUTIVE,
KIM NG, FOR ANNUAL *DREAMERS AND DOERS* SPEAKER SERIES**

On **Wednesday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m.**, **Senior Vice President for Baseball Operations at Major League Baseball, Kim Ng**, will speak at the National Museum of American Jewish History's second annual *Dreamers and Doers* speaker series program. This program is held in conjunction with the Museum's groundbreaking current special exhibition, [*Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American*](#).

In a live interview with **WHYY Senior Reporter and guest host of *Fresh Air*, Dave Davies**, Ng will speak firsthand about how she, as a Chinese American woman, broke barriers in a traditionally male-dominated field. Ng is the senior most female executive with Major League Baseball.

Ng recently spoke with the Museum about her first experience with the game: "I don't think my experience is different than [that of] a lot of other kids. My first experience was going to a Yankees game with my parents when I was nine years old. My mom got tickets from her bank and we went and it was helmet day. My sister and I came back with helmets and put them on our shelves in our rooms. We truly loved baseball, and for me, [I loved] the Yankees."



Courtesy of Major League Baseball

Ng, who was appointed to her current position by Baseball Commissioner Allan H. (Bud) Selig in March of 2011, oversees all international baseball operations for the Commissioner's Office, including matters and initiatives throughout Asia, as well as in the Dominican Republic and Venezuela. Ng, who reports to MLB Executive Vice President of Baseball Operations Joe Torre, works closely with the front offices of the 30 Major League Clubs and many other baseball leagues and entities around the world. Ng also is one of six members on the joint International Talent Committee, which examines the procurement of international players and many other issues of long-term significance related to international baseball on behalf of Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association.

Prior to joining MLB's Central Office in 2011, Ng served as Vice President and Assistant General Manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, and as Vice President and Assistant General Manager of the New York Yankees from 1998-2001. During this time the club won three World Series. **Ng is one of only three female executives ever to hold an assistant general manager position with a club.**

Ng began her baseball career with the Chicago White Sox in 1991 before becoming the Director of Waivers and Records for the American League Office. She is a native of New Jersey and graduated from the University of Chicago — where she played softball — with a degree in Public Policy.

About the Dreamers and Doers Speaker Series

Defined by a commitment to excellence, Ng's career and story are quintessential examples of the courage and imagination, as well as the aspiration and hard work that help to define a uniquely American spirit. An annual program, ***Dreamers and Doers*** shares the stories of individuals who embody this spirit and whose stories are characterized by the values critical to the success achieved by immigrants who came to America in search of opportunity and a better life. Here they shaped, and continue to shape, industry, innovation, economy, and culture — indelibly transforming the nation with a rich mix of ideas and ideals. ***Dreamers and Doers*** informs and inspires audiences by encouraging them to explore how their own histories and identities shape and are shaped by the American experience.

Media sponsorship provided by WHYY.

For information on additional upcoming *Chasing Dreams* related programming, please visit <http://chasingdreams.nmajh.org/programs-events>.

About Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American

Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American is the first large-scale exhibition to focus on the role baseball has played in the lives of immigrant and minority communities as they sought to understand and express — or challenge — American culture and ideals. The exhibition includes 130 rarely seen objects, including uniforms from Sandy Koufax, Jackie Robinson, and Ichiro Suzuki; the original sheet music for *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*; fan memorabilia; and much more. The exhibition runs through October 26, 2014.

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The National Museum of American Jewish History, located on historic Independence Mall in Philadelphia, brings to life the 350-year history of Jews in America. Tracing the stories of how Jewish immigrants became Jewish Americans, the Museum invites visitors of all backgrounds to share their own stories and reflect on how their histories and identities shape and are shaped by the American experience. An open door for all, NMAJH honors the past and contributes to a better future by sharing the power of imagination and ideas, culture and community, leadership and service, in ways that turn inspiration into action.

The National Museum of American Jewish History is located at 101 South Independence Mall East at the corner of Fifth and Market Streets in Philadelphia. Museum hours are Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, and Saturday

and Sunday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm. NMAJH is closed most Mondays, including federal holidays and some Jewish holidays. Museum admission is \$12.00 for adults, \$11.00 for senior citizens and youth, free for children 12 and under, Museum Members, and active military with ID. On Wednesdays through Labor Day, the Museum will stay open until 8:00 pm. Admission after 5:00 PM is pay-what-you-wish. For more information, visit NMAJH.org or call 215.923.3811.