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**Celebrate the Las Vegas Aces with Henderson Libraries!
2022 and 2023 WNBA Champs to be featured on new library cards**

Henderson, NV – During September, Henderson Libraries will celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month by offering a World Champions-themed library card featuring hometown favorite, the Las Vegas Aces! These exclusive, limited edition library cards will be available at all Henderson Libraries locations starting September 3. As part of this collaboration, Henderson Libraries will host a celebratory event in mid-September.

In Las Vegas since 2018, the Las Vegas Aces have won the last two Women’s National Basketball Association (WNBA) championships. They have already sold the entirety of their ticket inventory for the 2024 season and have become the first team in the league’s history to sell out of their regular season games.

“Henderson Libraries is thrilled to partner with the Las Vegas Aces on this initiative,” says Henderson Libraries Executive Director Marcie Smedley. “In addition to the Las Vegas Aces being back-to-back WNBA champions, they’re amazing women who continually provide inspiration to our community in a number of ways. Their emphasis on literacy development, as well as education, mirrors that of our organization and we are grateful for their dedication in these important arenas. We can’t wait to see what they accomplish next!”

“The Aces are proud to partner with Henderson Libraries! Together, we are rolling out the first ever Aces branded Library cards for our community,” says Las Vegas Aces Chief Strategy Officer Blair Hardiek. “The Aces organization and players believe that early childhood readers turn into successful leaders. The Aces are excited to help motivate the next generation through our partnership and support of Henderson Libraries.”

If you already have a card, don't worry! Friends of Henderson Libraries is graciously sponsoring the cost for the first 500 people who would like to replace their existing Henderson Libraries card with the new Las Vegas Aces card. Just visit any Henderson Libraries location beginning September 3 to exchange your card. For those registering for a new library account, the first library card is free.

Declared and celebrated by the American Library Association and libraries all across the country since 1987, the month of September is dedicated to reminding people of all ages that a library card isn’t just the latest fall fashion. Having a library card grants access to literacy services, technology, educational programming and a number of resources.

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About Henderson Libraries

Established in 1944 as a single library in Downtown Henderson, Henderson Libraries operates five locations in Henderson, providing free access to materials, programs, and services to meet the diverse and varied needs of the community throughout Southern Nevada. For additional information on Henderson Libraries, visit www.hendersonlibraries.com or call 702-707-2665.

About the Las Vegas Aces

One of the WNBA's original franchises, the Las Vegas Aces trace their lineage to the Beehive State where they began life as the Utah Starzz. They relocated to San Antonio in 2003, before moving to the Sports & Entertainment Capital of the World prior to the 2018 season. Las Vegas Raiders owner Mark Davis purchased the team in 2021, and Aces fans were rewarded with back-to-back WNBA Championships in 2022 and 2023. The 2022 title team also became the first major professional sports franchise to bring a championship to the state of Nevada.

After becoming the first WNBA team in more than two decades to repeat as champions a year ago, the 2024 season brings with it the opportunity for an even rarer three-peat. That effort is being led by the franchise's core four of two-time M'VP A'ja Wilson; three-time WNBA champion Chelsea Gray; and two-time title winners Kelsey Plum and Jackie Young. At the helm is 2022 WNBA Coach of the Year Becky Hammon—one of the most decorated players in league history, and one of only two head coaches to win championships in their first two seasons.

In addition to the Aces success on the court, they have been equally successful off of it. In March of 2022 the team moved into a 50,000 square foot headquarters—the first complex built solely for use by a WNBA team. And in 2024, the Las Vegas became the first WNBA franchise to sell out every one of its regular season home games.

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