

## **USA Softball Announces 2010 Roster and Schedule for Women's National Team**

**OKLAHOMA CITY** – The Amateur Softball Association (ASA) of America is pleased to announce the roster and schedule for the 2010 USA Softball Women's National Team, which will kick off the season with exhibition games in Ohio, June 16-17. The team consists of 14 members from the 2009 USA Softball National Team who helped capture the Canada Cup and World Cup of Softball Gold Medals during 2009.

In addition to the 14 returnees, 2004 Olympic Champion and 2008 Olympic Silver Medalist Jessica Mendoza (Camarillo, Calif.) makes her return to USA Softball after taking a year off for the birth of her child. Eileen Canney (Paradise, Calif.) makes her first-ever appearance on a USA Softball roster while Tammy Williams (Roscoe, Mo.) is in her first year as a National Team member after representing the USA at the Pan American Qualifier last year.

The complete roster includes:

Monica Abbott (Salinas, Calif.)  
Chelsea Bramlett (Cordova, Tenn.)  
Eileen Canney (Paradise, Calif.)  
Ashley Charters (Beaverton, Ore.)  
Kaitlin Cochran (Yorba Linda, Calif.)  
Andrea Duran (Selma, Calif.)  
Jennie Finch (La Mirada, Calif.)  
Vicky Galindo (Union City, Calif.)  
Alissa Haber (Newark, Calif.)  
Ashley Hansen (Chandler, Ariz.)  
Ashley Holcombe (Fayetteville, Ga.)  
Lauren Lappin (Anaheim, Calif.)  
Caitlin Lowe (Tustin, Calif.)  
Jessica Mendoza (Camarillo, Calif.)  
Cat Osterman (Houston, Texas)  
Natasha Watley (Irvine, Calif.)  
Tammy Williams (Roscoe, Mo.)

The schedule of events starts with two exhibition games, June 16 at Thurman Munson Stadium in Canton, Ohio and June 17 at Brookside Park in Ashland, Ohio. The two exhibition games will feature a matchup of the USA Softball Women's National Team and the USA Futures Team (roster to be announced at a later date). Go to <http://www.ohioasasoftball.org> for more information on the exhibition games.

Less than a year after winning the Pan American Qualifier in Maracay, Venezuela, USA Softball will head back to Venezuela to defend their World Championship at the ISF World Championships in Caracas, Venezuela. The World Championship is June 21-July 3 with USA looking for their ninth Gold Medal.

Canada will next play host to the USA at the Canadian Open Fast Pitch International Championship, July 7-11, in Surrey, B.C. and exhibition games in Whitehorse, Yukon, July 13-14.

The USA will bring it home for its fans, July 22-26, with the World Cup of Softball 5. The World Cup is one of the premier events in International Softball and will bring together 2008 Olympic Gold Medalist Japan, Canada, USA Futures and three-time Olympic Gold Medalists USA. A complete schedule of events can be found at <http://www.usasoftball.com/news.asp?uid=5415>.

The final event on the schedule will be the Japan Cup, August 3-9, in Sendai City, Japan. The USA will look to defend their title after defeating Japan 2-0 in last year's Japan Cup Championship Game.

For the most up to date information on the USA Softball 2010 Women's National Team and all teams competing for the USA, log on to [www.usasoftball.com](http://www.usasoftball.com). Fans can also keep up with the action by becoming a fan on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/asausasoftball/](http://www.facebook.com/asausasoftball/) and Twitter at [www.twitter.com/asausasoftball/](http://www.twitter.com/asausasoftball/).