

TNT Tips Off 2016-17 NBA Season with Opening Night Doubleheader – Knicks vs. Cavs & Spurs vs. Warriors – Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. ET

Friday, October 21, 2016

TNT will officially tip off the 2016-17 NBA regular season on **Tuesday, Oct. 25**, with *Opening Night presented by Autotrader* with live coverage of the **Cleveland Cavaliers championship ring ceremony** beginning at **7 p.m.** The night's NBA on TNT doubleheader will feature the **NBA Champion Cavaliers** with **LeBron James, Kevin Love** and **Kyrie Irving** hosting the new-look **New York Knicks** with **Derrick Rose, Carmelo Anthony** and **Kristaps Porzingis** at **7:30 p.m.** (originally scheduled at 8 p.m.), followed by the **Golden State Warriors** – on the heels of a record-setting 73 regular season wins – hosting the **San Antonio Spurs** and **Kawhi Leonard** at **10:30 p.m.**

This year will mark the 21st straight season TNT has tipped off the NBA season with two games on opening night. **Marv Albert** will call the **Knicks/Cavaliers** telecast with analysts **Chris Webber** and reporter **Kristen Ledlow**. **Kevin Harlan** will provide play-by-play for **Spurs/Warriors** with analyst **Reggie Miller** and reporter **David Aldridge**.

Ernie Johnson, Charles Barkley, Kenny Smith and **Shaquille O'Neal** will be on site in Cleveland throughout the entire night as part of the [NBA on TNT Road Show](#) including live pre-game programming beginning at **5 p.m.**, the **American Express Halftime Report** and Sports Emmy Award winning **Inside the NBA presented by Kia** post-game show.

TNT's coverage will continue **Thursday, Oct. 27**, with a doubleheader featuring the **Chicago Bulls** with new addition **Dwyane Wade** and **Jimmy Butler** hosting the **Boston Celtics** and offseason acquisition **Al Horford** at **8 p.m.**, followed by a matchup of elite Western Conference point guards when the **L.A. Clippers** and **Chris Paul** visit the **Portland Trail Blazers** and **Damian Lillard** at **10:30 p.m.** Albert, Mike Fratello and Ledlow will call the Celtics/Bulls game, with Harlan, Miller and Aldridge on Clippers/Blazers.

TNT's **Premiere Week presented by Autotrader** schedule will include:

Date	Time (ET)	Game/Commentators
Tuesday, Oct. 25	5 p.m.	TNT Pre-Game Coverage Ernie Johnson, Charles Barkley, Kenny Smith, Shaquille O'Neal * Televised live from Cleveland
	7 p.m.	Cleveland Cavaliers Championship Ring Ceremony
	7:30 p.m.	New York Knicks at Cleveland Cavaliers Marv Albert, Chris Webber, Kristen Ledlow
	10:30 p.m.	San Antonio Spurs at Golden State Warriors Kevin Harlan, Reggie Miller, David Aldridge
	Post-game	Inside the NBA presented by Kia Johnson, Barkley, Smith, O'Neal
	Thursday, Oct. 27	8 p.m.
	10:30 p.m.	L.A. Clippers at Portland Trail Blazers Harlan, Miller, Aldridge
	Post-game	Inside the NBA presented by Kia

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