
WNBA Champion & Two-Time League MVP Candace Parker Joins Turner Sports as NBA & NCAA Commentator

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Parker's Multi-Faceted Role to Include Regular Analysis & Commentary for the NBA on TNT & NBA TV, Along with NCAA Tournament & More

Turner Sports has reached an agreement with **Candace Parker**, a **10-year WNBA veteran and two-time league MVP**, on a dynamic position including full-time contributions as an analyst and commentator for the **NBA on TNT** and **NBA TV** throughout the season.

Parker, still in the midst of her playing career coming off an All-Star campaign in 2018 where she led the Los Angeles Sparks to the postseason, will join the *Players Only* studio team for telecasts airing on both TNT and NBA TV. The innovative *Players Only* franchise offers viewers an entertaining narrative and unique insights into the game directly from the athlete's perspective. NBA TV will air *Players Only* telecasts on Monday nights beginning Oct. 22 through late-January. TNT will then air the remaining *Players Only* telecasts Tuesday nights from the series' Jan. 29 debut through mid-April.

Parker will also provide analysis for NBA TV's *GameTime* - the network's flagship studio show - with regular appearances on Sunday nights during the 2018-19 season beginning with her debut on Oct. 21. She will also contribute to a variety of special projects for both the NBA on TNT and NBA TV.

Additionally, Parker will provide commentary for Turner Sports and CBS Sports' coverage of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship.

"I cannot wait to resume broadcasting with Turner Sports and to be a part of what I consider the best basketball coverage out there," said **Parker**. "I love broadcasting because it allows me to share my passion for basketball with viewers, and I look forward to sharing my analysis and commentary in a variety of formats."

"Candace is one of the most influential basketball stars of her generation and we're thrilled to provide a wide variety of opportunities for her to share her passion for the game and insights

directly with fans,” said **Tara August, Vice President of Talent Relations & Special Projects, Turner Sports**. “She’s a trailblazer in every sense of the word and we can’t wait to further showcase her talents as a commentator across our collective basketball portfolio.”

Parker was selected as the No. 1 overall pick in the WNBA Draft by the Los Angeles Sparks in 2008, following a championship career at the University of Tennessee, where she led the Lady Vols to consecutive NCAA Championships in 2007 and 2008. During the 2008-09 WNBA season, she became the first player to earn WNBA MVP and Rookie of the Year honors in the same season.

In 2016, Parker led the L.A. Sparks to a WNBA Championship, in which she was named WNBA Finals MVP. She was named WNBA All-Star Game MVP in 2013, along with being elected to six All-WNBA teams and five All-Star teams. Parker also led Team USA Women’s Basketball to back-to-back Olympic gold medals in the 2008 and 2012 Games.

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