







Trump offered a bountiful batch of campaign promises that come due on Day 1

By CALVIN WOODWARD Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — After Donald Trump becomes president again on Monday, he's on the hook for achieving a hefty chunk of his promises even before the day is out. One of those promises is to make you dizzy.

"Your head will spin when you see what's going to happen.," he said of Day 1. Steady yourself. This is some of what he promised voters he would get done on his first day in office:

• Launch the largest deportation in U.S. history to remove all people in the country illegally.

• Close the border.

• End automatic citizenship for everyone born in the U.S., known as birthright citizenship.

• Sign pardons for some or many of those convicted or charged in the Jan. 6, 2021, assault on the U.S. Capitol.

• Impose a 25% tariff on everything imported from Mexico and Canada and add a 10% tariff to duties



Members of the Mexican National Guard review cars as they line up to cross the border into the United States at the San Ysidro Port of Entry, Dec. 3, 2024, in Tijuana, Mexico.

already imposed on goods from China.

• Even before Monday, end the Russia-Ukraine war. All of that and more on Monday? Not likely.

Trump simply can't ac-

complish all he said he will do on Day 1 because there are two more branches of government Congress and the courts. (Moreover, in 2017 he considered Jan. 21 his first full day on the job after the Jan. 20 inauguration to be his Day 1.)



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But as other presidents have done and as Trump did aggressively and with decidedly mixed results in his first term he will quickly test the limits of his executive power. He's told lawmakers to expect more than 100 executive orders out of the gate. Some will be consequential, others will be cosmetic. Some will be tied up in courts.

All will display the bravado of a president reaching for maximum solo power. Trump, a Republican, won't be alone in this. When Republicans cried foul about President Barack Obama's expansive executive actions in 2014, the Democrat met the uproar with a curt response: "So sue me."

Here are some things to know about Trump's promises:

Trump can't always act unilaterally

The constitutional right to birthright citizenship, for example, cannot be ended with a stroke of his pen. On many other fronts, Trump's most contentious executive actions are sure to meet a thicket of court challenges.

On some issues he can

The power to pardon is within his grasp, and he can steer border enforcement efforts, tweak tariffs and find ways to spur energy production without Congress necessarily having to pass a law. Yet many of his executive orders will essentially be statements of intent stage setters for struggles to come.

Trump has walked back some promises since winning election

In the campaign, he vowed repeatedly to "close the border" on Day 1. Post-election, his advisers said he wasn't speaking literally. He intends to take administrative action to tighten enforcement against illegal entry, not shut borders.

Trump also vowed to end the Russia-Ukraine war even before taking office. Now, he's bending to the reality that he couldn't solve the conflict on the timetable he'd promised, telling Time magazine in a post-election interview: "I think that the Middle East is an easier problem to handle than what's happening with Russia and Ukraine."

On birthright citizenship, he appeared to concede after the election that ending that may not be so easy, either: "We'll maybe have to go back to the people," Trump said on NBC's "Meet the Press" in December.

Some promises may be posturing or part of negotiations

Trump posted on social media after the election: "On January 20th, as one of my many first Executive Orders, I will sign all necessary documents to charge Mexico and Canada a 25% Tariff on ALL products coming into the United States." He added that all products from China will be hit with an additional 10% tariff right away.

As definitive as that sounded, Trump later said of the tariffs, "We adjust it somewhat" if they are merely passed on to consumers in the form of higher prices, as is usually the case. And he gave the three countries an opening to avoid or minimize the tariffs if they show enough progress in reducing the flow of illegal drugs into the U.S.

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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FAMILY. — PAUL PEARSALL

WORLD NEWS A3 FRIDAY 17 JANUARY 2025 Cuba starts freeing prisoners a day after



Cuban and American flags fly in the wind outside the American embassy in Havana, Cuba, Tuesday, Jan.14, 2025. **Associated Press**

By ANDREA RODRÍGUEZ Associated Press

HAVANA (AP) — Cuba started releasing some prisoners Wednesday as part of talks with the Vatican, a day after President Joe Biden's administration announced his intent to lift the U.S. designation of the island nation as a state sponsor of terrorism. More than a dozen people who were convicted of different crimes and some of them were arrested after taking part in the historic 2021 protests were released during the day, according to Cuban civil groups following the cases of detainees on the island.

Among those freed was tattooist Reyna Yacnara Barreto Batista, 24, who was detained in the 2021 protests and convicted to four years in prison for attacks and public disorder.

She was released from a prison in the province of Camagüey, and told The Associated Press that eight men were also freed along with her.

On Tuesday, the U.S. government said it notified Congress about the intent to lift the designation of Cuba as part of a deal facilitated by the Vatican. Cuban authorities would release some of them before Biden's administration ends on Jan. 20, officials said. Hours later, the Cuban foreign ministry said the government informed Pope Francis it would gradually release 553 convicts as authorities explore legal and humanitarian ways to make it happen. Havana did not link the prisoners' release to the U.S. decision on lifting the designation but said it was "in the spirit of the Ordinary Jubilee of the year 2025 declared by His Holiness," referring to the Vatican's once-every-25year tradition of a Jubilee, in which the Catholic faithful make pilgrimages to Rome. Cuba's Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez did not mention the release on Wednesday consistent with his stance the day before, indicating they were separate issues but mentioned removing Cuba from the list of states sponsors of terrorism.

"You can reverse a country's status on that list, but the tremendous damage to U.S. foreign policy cannot be undone," he told the AP. "It has been proven that this list is not a tool or instrument in the fight against terrorism, but rather a brutal and mere tool of political coercion against sovereign states."

American accused of assaulting a Pennsylvania student is being extradited from France to the US

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By NICOLAS VAUX-MON-TAGNY, SYLVIE CORBET and **MARYCLAIRE DALE Associated Press**

PARIS (AP) — French Appeal Court prosecutors said an American man accused of sexually assaulting a Pennsylvania college student in 2013 and later sending her a Facebook message that said "So I raped you" was being extradited Thursday to the United States.

The Appeal Court prosecutors' office in Metz, in northeastern France, said lan Cleary was handed over to U.S. authorities at Paris Charles de Gaulle airport. Cleary, 31, of Saratoga, California, was detained in April in Metz after a three-year

search. Former Gettysburg University student Shannon Keeler, who pursued the case for more



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This undated wanted poster, provided by the U.S. Marshals, shows Ian Cleary, of Saratoga, Calif. U.S

than a decade, said the news gave her "renewed faith" in the justice system. "This arrest and extradition give me renewed faith that, after many years of waiting, the justice system can work,



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when survivors persist with the help and support of family, friends, advocates, and attorneys," Keeler said in a press release issued through her attorney.

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Papiamento words and phrases you may want to know!

(Oranjestad)—Aruba is a melting pot of different nationalities, cultures and languages. Primarily for this reason, the average Aruban can understand and speak Dutch, English and Spanish relatively well. However, as much as we pride ourselves in being able to communicate with almost everyone, we cherish our native tongue Papiamento above all else. Want to learn some common words in our language? Here are a few basic words and phrases that can get you a hat tip from an Aruban.

When you arrive at the airport in Aruba, one of the first words in Papiamento you may encounter is "Bon bini." Bon bini in Papiamento means welcome, and is probably the most famous Papiamento word for tourists.

Hi! Bye!

To be fair, there is no unique way to say "hello" in Papiamento. At least, not officially. We often just use the English "hello" or "hey", or Dutch "hallo" to greet someone. We do however, always follow it up with "con bay?" or "con ta?" Con bay is a shortened version of "con ta bay?", which essentially means "how are you?"

The word "con" in Papiamento means "how?" and is pronounced with a rounder "o" sounds, like in the English word "cone". "Ta bay" refers to how you are doing.



When we say goodbye, we use the word "ayo" (not like the Ayo Rock Formation, but also...kinda?). We may also use "te oro", which means "see vou later".

Greetings during the day

Most, if not all, languages have different ways to greet according to the time of day, and Papiamento is no different. Since Papiamento is heavily influences from Portuguese and Spanish, some of these phrases may look very familiar.

- 1. Bon dia is used in the morning, up to about noon. Bon dia essentially means good morning. The word "bon" means "good", and while "dia" does not directly mean "morning" in English, it is used often to refer to the morning time.
- 2. Bon tardi. In the afternoon to early evening hours, we use "bon tardi" to greet people,

- which means "good afternoon". "Tardi" actually comes from the word "atardi", which directly translates to "afternoon". However, the shortened "tardi" is used to keep the rhythm on the phrase. And the same could be said for our last greeting of the day.
- Bon nochi. You guessed it, "bon nochi" means "good night". Just like "tardi", "nochi" is actually the shortened version of the word "anochi".

Yes...no...maybe?

The affirmative and negative expression is very simple in Papiamento. Just like Spanish, our yeses are "si" and our no's are "no". Pretty easy right? If you want to gain some extra points from younger locals, you can also say "se", which is a more casual affirmative used mostly by the younger generation. However, do note: some older generations may find this improper and not respectful, so keep that in mind.

Thanks man...

Lastly, a word that we can also say more often is "danki", which means literally "thank you". "Danki" is derived from the Dutch word "bedankt". Though we don't really have a translation for "I appreciate it" in English, we do use "masha danki" to convey the message. "Masha" means "a lot" or "very", so "masha danki" means "thank you very much".

Dining in? Try making a local favorite How to make "funchi hasa"

as fun as a night out on the town, especially if you got the right snacks to munch on. One of the most fa- Ingredients (measured by heart) mous Aruban snacks or appetizers is "funchi hasa" (fried polenta sticks). 2. A super easy meal that adults and 3. children will both enjoy. Here's how 4. to make it!

Before we start, get to know the basics So what is funchi hasa? Funchi, or Aruban polenta, is a popular side dish for local dishes, like soups, stews and fried fish. Made from a corn flour, water and butter mixture, this appetizer is traditionally eaten alongside a warm meal. However, locals also

(Oranjestad)—A night in can be just like to fry sticks of funchi for a quick and filling snack.

- Polenta flour* 1.
 - Water
 - Butter
 - Salt to taste

Directions

Bring water to a boil in a mediumsized sauce pan. Add in some salt and butter to taste in the boiling water and let this dissolve and melt. Then, gradually add the flour while stirring with a wooden spoon. The mixture will start to begin to harden pretty fast, so be careful not to add too much. At this phase of cooking, you want a goopy thick mixture, but thin enough so you can continue to stir to get all the lumps out.

After reaching a semi-firm, yet flexible texture, grab a baking pan or any large, deep plate, and pour the mixture in. Be sure that this plate is wet or areased so that the mixture does not stick to the bottom. Let this cool completely while it firms up for the last time. Once it's cooled you can enjoy it as is, topped with some butter or shredded cheese. Or, you can take it to another level of deliciousness.

When your funchi is firm enough, cut it into strips (size is up to you). Heat



up some oil in a pan and fry those babies up! After frying, you can top it with some cheese or enjoy it with your favorite dipping sauce.

Note: We recommend the FUNCHI FRESKU polenta flour brand that is sold in all supermarkets on the island. You can also use yellow corn flour from the brand PAN.

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Visit the island's popular cave sites!

(Oranjestad)—Among the endless sea of dark brown sand and cacti, there are two caves hidden in the outskirts of San Nicolas, in the northeastern area of the island. These caves, The Quadiriki cave and The Fontein Cave are open to visitors of the Arikok National Park, so if you ever decide to take an "off-road" tour in the park, be sure to visit these prehistoric caves... and be sure to bring a flashlight!

Quadirikiri Cave

Known for its two chambers accompanied by a skylight, the Quadikiri Cave is the most popular cave among locals and tourists, as it is easy to walk through and provides great lighting for pictures.

As with all prehistoric or ancient sites, there is always a folk legend that adds to the lore and mystery of the site. The Quadirikiri cave is no different. The most well-known legend behind the cave could be considered as Aruba's first love story, as it tells the tale of the undying love between the chief's daughter and her beloved. As legend would have it, the chief disapproved of his daughter's choice of lover, as he thought him unworthy. Stubborn and filled with anger, the daughter refused to turn away her beloved.

So, the chief decided to lock her up in the Quadirikiri Cave, in hopes that she would soon calm down and turn away her lover. Her beloved, in turn, was locked away in the Tunnel of Love (Now known as the Huliba Cave).

Through the pathways underneath the Tunnel of Love running up to the Quadiriki cave, the two love bird found each other, and refused to let each other go. Because of their stubbornness, they both died in the Quadiriki Cave, their ascending spirits burning two holes in the ceiling



of the cave. This is why the cave has two holes through which sunlight passes through to illuminate the chamber.

Though there have been discoveries of Amerindian drawing on the wall, these have mostly been ruined by vandalism. However, the Fontein Cave further up north, provides a better glimpse in prehistoric Amerindian paintings.

Fontein Cave

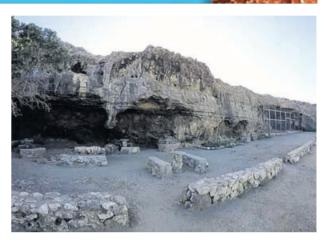
Longer than the Quadirikiri Cave, the Fontein Cave contains pathways that stretch to the limestone walls further down. Here is also where prehistoric drawings can be seen. Though this cave does not have its own legend, this was speculated to have been occupied-or at least used by prehistoric Arawak settlers on the island for rituals and other spiritual ceremonies.

The Huliba Cave/ Tunnel of Love

The Huliba Cave, formerly known as the Tunnel of Love, was once open to the public, and was the biggest and most accessible of all three caves. This cave had five chambers, including one that is heart-shaped. This cave had narrow stairs that led to long pathways deep into the cave, with a staircase leading to the exit on the other side. In one of the chambers, there used to be the carving of the Virgin Mary, put there for the protection of the cave.

However, the Huliba Cave has been permanently closed for a few years now, as a way to preserve the bat population that lives in the cave. These Long Tongue Fruit Bats and Insect Eater Bats are very important to the ecosystem of the island. Though this cave is no longer accessible to the public, it surely is interesting to learn more about the history of these caves and the Awarak tribes that resided or utilized them.









Do note that these caves are very dark, humid, hot, and are inhabited by bats. Do wear comfortable clothing and shoes, as the pathways in these caves may be rough and bumpy, and don't forget to bring a flashlight!



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David Lynch, visionary filmmaker behind 'Twin Peaks' and 'Mulholland Drive,' dies at 78

LOS ANGELES (AP) — David Lynch, the filmmaker celebrated for his uniquely dark vision in such movies as "Blue Velvet" and "Mulholland Drive" and the TV series "Twin Peaks," has died just days before his 79th birthday.

His family announced the death in a Facebook post on Thursday. The cause of death and location was not immediately available, but Lynch had been public about his emphysema.

"We would appreciate some privacy at this time. There's a big hole in the world now that he's no longer with us. But, as he would say, 'Keep your eye on the donut and not on the hole,'" the post read. "It's a beautiful day with golden sunshine and blue skies all the way."

Last summer, Lynch had revealed to Sight and Sound that he was diagnosed with emphysema and



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David Lynch appears at the Governors Awards in Los Angeles on Oct. 27, 2019.

would not be leaving his home because of fears of contracting the coronavirus or "even a cold."

"I've gotten emphysema from smoking for so long and so I'm homebound whether I like it or not," Lynch said, adding he didn't expect to make another film.

"I would try to do it remotely, if it comes to it," Lynch said. "I wouldn't like that so much."

Lynch was a onetime painter who broke through in the 1970s with the surreal "Eraserhead" and rarely failed to startle and inspire audiences, peers and critics in the following decades. His notable releases ranged from the neo-noir "Mulholland Drive" to the skewed Gothic of "Blue Velvet" to the eclectic and eccentric "Twin Peaks," which won three Golden Globes, two Emmys and even a Grammy for its theme music.

Lynch never won a competitive Academy Award. He received nominations for directing "The Elephant Man," "Blue Velvet" and "Mulholland Drive" and, in 2019, was presented an honorary Oscar for lifetime achievement.

"To the Academy and everyone who helped me along the way, thanks," he said at the time, in characteristically off-beat remarks. "You have a very nice face. Good night."

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nice face. Good night." His other credits included the crime story "Wild at Heart," winner of the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival; the biographical drama "The Elephant Man" and the G-rated, aptly straightforward "The Straight Story." Actors regularly appearing in his movies included Kyle McLachlan, Laura Dern, Naomi Watts and Richard Farnsworth.

Lynch was a Missoula, Montana, native who moved around often with his family as a child and would long feel most at home away from the classroom, free to explore his fascination with the world. He had an early gift for visual arts and a passion for travel and discovery that led to his enrollment in the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts and the beginning of a decade-long apprenticeship as a maker of short movies.

"David's always had a cheerful disposition and sunny personality, but he's always been attracted to dark things," a childhood friend is quoted as saying in "Room to Dream," a 2018 book by Lynch and Kristine McKenna. That's one of the mysteries of David."





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Iga Swiatek moves into a 3rd-round match against Emma Raducanu at the Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Iga Swiatek tends not to waste time in the first week of Grand Slams.

When the five-time Grand Slam champion dispatched Rebecca Sramkova 6-0, 6-2 in a clean hour at the Australian Open on Thursday, Swiatek was living a habit of advancing quickly through the early rounds.

She's the only player to reach the third round or better at every Grand Slam in this decade. Swiatek has won almost 12% of her sets in Grand Slams by 6-0, which puts her in exclusive company.

When No. 49-ranked Sramkova ended a seven-game losing run by holding serve, she raised her arm to acknowledge the applause from the Rod Laver Arena crowd. It was one of the few chances she had to celebrate.

"It was good to play in such an efficient way and just finish it quick," Swiatek said. "Also, you know, just feel the court and how it is in RLA."

Second-seeded Swiatek next faces 2021 U.S. Open champion Emma Raducanu, who recovered from an early break in the second set to hold off Amanda Anisimova 6-3, 7-5.

Three-time runner-up and No. 5 Daniil Medvedev was ousted when 19-year-old American qualifier Learner Tien hung tough to prevail 6-3, 7-6 (4), 6-7 (8), 1-6, 7-6 (10-7) after nearly five hours. Tien had a match point in the third-set tiebreaker and didn't earn another for two hours, until nearly 3 a.m. Friday local time.

Defending champion and No. 1 Jannik Sinner was in a contest for a set and a half, then blew away Austra-



Iga Swiatek of Poland plays a forehand return to Rebecca Sramkova of Slovakia during their second round match at the Australian Open tennis championship in Melbourne, Australia, Thursday, Jan. 16, 2025. Associated Press

lian wild card and No. 173 Tristan Schoolkate 4-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.

Taylor Fritz hasn't wasted any time advancing to the third round, dropping just eight games across two rounds and spending just over three hours on court.

The 2024 U.S. Open runnerup and No. 4 seed beat Cristian Garin 6-2, 6-1, 6-0 to move into a third-round match against 38-year-old Gael Monfils, who last week became the oldest player to win an ATP title.

Also advancing on the men's side were local hope Alex de Minaur, seeded 8th, No. 16 Lorenzo Musetti, No. 19 Karen Khachanov and No. 21 Ben Shelton, who beat Pablo Carreno Busta 6-3, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 6-4.

However, No. 17 Frances Tiafoe lost to Hungary's Fabian Marozsan 6-1 in the fifth, and No. 18 Hubert Hurkacz also crashed out.

Raducanu has struggled

with injuries since her breakthrough major in 2021, when she became the first qualifier to win a Grand Slam singles title.

She didn't play a warmup tournament ahead of this year's Australian Open because of a muscle strain and needed time during her match against Anisimova to get treatment on her back from a trainer.

After advancing beyond the second round for the first time at Melbourne Park, the No. 61-ranked Raducanu was confident she'd recover in time for her next challenge against Swiatek. "It'll be a very good match for me, another opportunity to test my game," she said. "Going into it, I have nothing to lose. I'm just going to swing."

Swiatek is moving on from the doping infringement which led to her one-month ban last year. And she's not showing any signs of it being a distraction.

She did everything at pace in the second round, including quick claps of her racket to acknowledge the crowd after her win. Swiatek didn't face a break point against Sramkova and converted five of the six she had. She finished off points with winners off both sides, and also hit some clean volleys on her ventures to the net.

She's feeling slightly less pressure this year, too, after losing the No. 1 ranking to two-time defending Australian Open champion Aryna Sabalenka.

"Yeah, there was a lot of pressure starting the year as No. 1, but I think overall last year I didn't think about it this much anyway," she said. "Also, I realized last year that I don't have 100% influence on what happens with my ranking sometimes. So now I just focus on tennis." Emma Navarro, a U.S. Open semifinalist last year and seeded in the top eight for the first time at a major, was in trouble after two service breaks early in the third set before she reeled off four straight games to beat Wang Xiyu 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

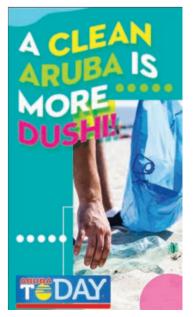
She hopped from the baseline toward the net, and made a big, swirling swing of her arm to underline another tough, three-set victory.

"It was really tough the whole time ... super tough there at the end," Navarro said. "Found some good tennis there in the last games."

She'll next play Ons Jabeur, a three-time Grand Slam runner-up, who struggled with asthma but held off Camila Osorio 7-5, 6-3.

Sixth-seeded Elena Rybakina, the 2022 Wimbledon champion and runner-up in Australia two years ago, registered her 50th win in a Grand Slam main draw singles match when she beat American qualifier Iva Jovic 6-0, 6-3.

No. 9 Daria Kasatkina also advanced 6-2, 6-0 over Wang Yafan and faces No. 24 Yulia Putintseva in the third round.





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Unrivaled 3-on-3 women's basketball league rules, where games will be played and how to watch

By DOUG FEINBERG AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI (AP) — Unrivaled is a new 3-on-3 women's professional basketball league that debuts on Friday. Six teams will compete for the title. Here's a guide on how the games will be played, where they will be played and where to watch them: How to watch Unrivaled games

The season runs from Friday to March 17 with games played mostly on Friday, Saturday and Monday. There will be two games a night shown on TNT or TruTv. Former WNBA star and basketball analyst Candace Parker will anchor a studio show during the broadcasts.Who is playing in the league

The league will feature 36 WNBA players. There will be six Unrivaled teams with six players on each squad. Unrivaled was founded by



Minnesota Lynx forward Napheesa Collier and New York Liberty forward Breanna Stewart, right, battle for a loose ball during the second half of Game 4 of a WNBA basketball final playoff series, Oct. 18, 2024, in Minneapolis.

WNBA All-Stars and Olympic gold medalists Breanna Stewart and Napheesa

Collier, who are both playing. Other WNBA stars fans can see include Sabrina Io-

nescu, Satou Sabally, Alyssa Thomas, Angel Reese and Arike Ogunbowale.

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Unrivaled players earning six-figure salaries

Nearly all the players are making more than \$100,000. The average player salary is the highest ever for any women's sports league. There is more than \$8 million in the salary pool.

Players also are getting an equity stake in the league. The league is also holding a 1-on-1 tournament in February and the winner will be paid \$250,000. Each player on the winner's Unrivaled team will also receive \$10,000.

Unrivaled games being played in Miami

Unrivaled games will be played in Miami at a new 850-seat arena.

The six teams in the league the Laces, Mist, Rose, Lunar Owls, Phantom and Vinyl will play games on a condensed court that's 72-feet long and 49.2-feet wide.