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WHYY-TV TO BROADCAST DELAWARE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL GAME FEB. 3

WILMINGTON, Jan. 10, 2013 — WHYY-TV will broadcast a women's basketball game pitting the University of Delaware Blue Hens (9-3, 0-0 CAA) against the Hofstra Pride (5-7, 1-0 CAA) on Sunday, Feb. 3, at 2 p.m. Delaware, which will host the game at the Bob Carpenter Center, is led by Elena Delle Donne, who has been battling Lyme disease and is the "best pure scorer" in women's basketball, according to one ESPN reporter.

John Sadak will call the play-by-play action, and Thom Shumusic will provide color commentary. Halftime reports will feature the team from WHYY-TV's *First*, which serves the First State.

This special program will precede a *Downton Abbey* marathon, which kicks off at 4 p.m. with the first four episodes of Season 3 followed by the broadcast of a new episode at 9 p.m. that will be repeated at 10 p.m.

WHYY-TV broadcast the first scheduled Delaware-Delaware State football game in 2009. The Delaware-Hofstra game represents the latest opportunity for WHYY-TV to present special coverage of a variety of events.

"I'm thrilled WHYY-TV will have an opportunity to present a local sporting event on this day and cap it with a block of a popular public television series," said Bill Marrazzo, WHYY president and CEO. "This broadcast is representative of a WHYY goal to expose its audience to a wide range of civic, cultural, athletic and other events happening in our back yard."

Hosted by Mark Eichmann, Shirley Min and Nichelle Polston, *First* is broadcast at 5:30 and 11 p.m. Fridays on WHYY-TV and rebroadcast on WHYY-TV and WHYY's Y Info channel. *First* along with this special are available to stream using WHYY's video player at WHYY.org/video.

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