

Visa and Jerome Bettis Kick Off Super Bowl XLII Sweepstakes at Courtyard

BETHESDA, Md., Oct. 11 /PRNewswire/ -- Visa and Courtyard(R) by Marriott are teaming up with Jerome "The Bus" Bettis to kick off the "Visa Road to the Super Bowl XLII Challenge at Courtyard." Guests staying at Courtyard and paying with their Visa(R) card are automatically entered for a chance to win a trip to Super Bowl XLII. Other prizes include a Samsung 40" flat screen TV and 10,000 instant and consolation prizes. NO PURCHASE OR OBLIGATION NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. See details below.

Here's how to play automatically:

- -- Use your Visa card to book and pay for a stay at a Courtyard by Marriott.
- -- You'll be automatically entered for a chance to win, courtesy of Visa.
- -- Scratch-off cards at check out reveal instant prizes including NFL merchandise, \$50 Visa and Marriott gift cards and Courtyard Bonus Bucks coupons as consolation prices.

Customers calling Courtyard reservations will also hear a special message by former running back Jerome Bettis that says, "For me, getting to the Super Bowl took years of hard work and dedication. For Visa card holders it's much easier." Bettis goes on to urge callers to use their Visa card when staying at a Courtyard by Marriott. "Sounds like a winner to me."

The grand prize trip to Super Bowl XLII also includes meeting an NFL player and being invited to an exclusive NFL party, courtesy of Visa. Getting to Super Bowl XLII is as easy as using your Visa card and staying at a Courtyard by Marriott. The "Visa Road to Super Bowl XLII Challenge at Courtyard" is only available at U.S. hotels from September 15 to December 15, 2007. NO PURCHASE OR OBLIGATION NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. Non-Purchase Entries and Purchase Entries have an Equal Chance of Winning. Sweepstakes is open to all legal residents of the fifty (50) United States and the District of Columbia, eighteen (18) years of age and older as of September 15, 2007. Void where prohibited. Ends December 15, 2007. For details on non-purchase entries, including Official Rules, visit http://www.courtyard.com. Sponsored by Visa U.S.A. Inc. Promoted by Marriott Corporation.

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Visa products generated \$1.8 trillion in total volume in the United States during the four quarters ended March 31, 2007. Visa enjoys unsurpassed acceptance around the globe. For more information, visit http://www.visa.com.

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