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**TICKETS ON SALE FOR ELITE RODEO ATHLETES  
PREMIER TOUR RODEO IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO**

*The biggest names in rodeo will come to ride at the  
Tingley Coliseum, May 20-21. Tickets go on sale Monday, April 11th*

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM** — Elite Rodeo Athletes (ERA), League of Rodeo Champions, will make its fourth stop on its national tour in Albuquerque, New Mexico on May 20-21. This all-star rodeo will be held inside the Tingley Coliseum where fans are encouraged to come early and meet their favorite athletes during the preshow meet and greet.

Tickets will be on sale Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. on [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com), and at all Ticketmaster outlets. Adult tickets start at \$20.

“We are extremely pleased that the ERA recognized that with its history as the home to some of the best shows in the country, Tingley Coliseum is the ideal site to feature these world champion cowboys and cowgirls as they compete on a grand scale to a nationally televised audience. New Mexicans love their rodeo and this is our opportunity to witness first-hand the best of the best in rodeo,” stated Dan Mourning, General Manager at EXPO New Mexico.

Fans purchasing tickets to the rodeo on May 20<sup>th</sup> can take part in the Opening Night Family Deal where kids tickets (12 & under) receive ½ half off with the purchase of an adult ticket.

The ERA Premier Tour is “Where the Biggest Names in Rodeo Come to Ride.” Making stops in eight cities, with 15 performances, this inaugural tour will feature 87 of the top rodeo athletes in the world, representing more than 135 world titles collectively.

Tingley Coliseum will host two nights of non-stop rodeo including: bull riding, bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, tie-down roping, team roping and barrel racing.



ERA was created for the fans, founded by the top pro rodeo athletes from across the globe – including New Mexico residents: Two-Time World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider, Taos Muncy from Corona and ERA Barrel Racer, Kassidy Dennison from Tohatchi.

Taos Muncy, two-time Saddle Bronc World Champion and New Mexico native, took the time to explain why he is excited to compete in front of his friends and family. “I am pumped to go to Albuquerque and I can’t wait for New Mexico rodeo fans to have the best rodeo experience of their lives,” said Muncy.

Each night the payout is estimated to exceed \$100,000, providing the live audience with a one-of-a-kind high-stakes environment, unique to ERA rodeos.

Friday and Saturday’s rodeo performances at Tingley Coliseum will begin at 7:30 p.m., but fans will want to come early (6:00 p.m.) to get an autograph during the pre show meet and greet. All ERA Premier Tour athletes will be there to sign autographs and spend one-on-one time with their fans. Athletes include 23-time World Champion Cowboy, Trevor Brazile; 11-time World Champion Barrel Racer, Charmayne James; five-time World Champion Steer Wrestler, Luke Branquinho; three-time World Champion Tie-Down Roper, Tuf Cooper; eight-time World Champion Tie-Down Roper, Fred Whitfield and World Champion Barrel Racer, Fallon Taylor to name a few.

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*The Elite Rodeo Athletes is a “League of Champions” where only the world’s best rodeo athletes and livestock will compete against each other at every tour stop and rodeo. The tour was created with rodeo fans in mind, so they can easily follow their favorite athletes throughout the tour, which will host 15 regular-season events culminating with a 5 day World Championship event in Dallas, November 9-13, 2016 at the American Airlines Center. Fans will be able to watch only the best athletes and animals compete against each other, either in person or by watching the journey on FOX Sports 2.*

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