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Jewish Museum Hosts Baseball-Themed Father's Day Extravaganza

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Former Phillie Tommy Greene (left) of the '93 National League Championship team was on hand to meet fans. Photo by Matthew Christopher.

Thousands of people spent part of their Father's Day at a baseball-themed special event in and outside the National Museum of American Jewish History on Independence Mall.

Attendees were entertained by live music performances on the block just outside the museum, baseball-themed carnival games, an outdoor screening of *Field of Dreams* and meet-and-greets with former Major League Baseball players such as Philadelphia Phillie Thomas Greene, who was part of the 1993 National League Championship and World Series team.

The daylong event included also free admission to the museum and highlighted its newest special exhibit, "Chasing Dreams: Baseball and Becoming American," which focuses on the role baseball has played in the lives of immigrant and minority communities as a portal into adapting American culture. About 2,250 people visited the exhibits throughout the day, according to museum staff.