

OVER 25,000 REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS CELEBRATE THE 25th EDITION OF THE ST. JUDE ROCK 'N' ROLL RUNNING SERIES NASHVILLE

NASHVILLE, TN, UNITED STATES, April 27, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville celebrated the 25th running of the event as over 25,000 registered participants had a memorable running tour of Music City. With a distance for everyone, Saturday's races included a 5K, 10K, half marathon and marathon. The event continues Sunday with a 1-mile, KiDSROCK and Doggie Dash events.

Saturday's St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville marathon also saw elite runners take to the course. David Gregory (Virginia Beach, VA) with a time of 2:32:06 and Kate Mcandrew (Savannah, GA) finishing in 3:06:38, were victorious in the men's and women's races, respectively.

"This was my first time here. It was either my fifth or sixth marathon. My first was a 2:35:00 on a lot easier course than this in Wilmington, N.C. in 2022. I did a lot more 5k and 10k stuff





in college (George Mason). It was fun to win a bigger <u>race</u> like this for sure" said David Gregory.

To celebrate the win, he and his wife, Sunny, who are celebrating their fourth wedding anniversary, are going to a Sounds game and eating junk food:

Kate Mcandrew stated "I feel good, but the last six miles were pretty tough. This was my first time stepping up to long distance."

It was Kate's first time taking on the marathon. She had completed a half marathon distance but never raced in a half marathon. She specialized in the 800-meter run at Richmond and Notre Dame.

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Joseph Skoog (Mc Kenzie, TN) and Morgan Johnson (Nashville, TN)

finishing in of 1:07:49 and 1:19:33 were the male and female overall winners of the St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Nashville Half Marathon.

"What began 25 years ago as a celebration of running and music has grown into something truly powerful: a movement that unites people with purpose," said Chris Boysen, senior vice president of Experiential for ALSAC, the fundraising and awareness organization for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. "Every mile run in Nashville this weekend was a tribute to that spirit and the hope we're building together for the more than 400,000 children worldwide who will develop cancer each year. We're incredibly grateful to the St. Jude Heroes, participants, fans, and volunteers whose passion and generosity make this event—and our mission—stronger every year."

For 13 events including St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Nashville, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital® is the official benefiting charity partner of the St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Running Series. Thanks to the over 1,500 St. Jude Heros and the generous support of the Nashville community, people across the region and country are aware that St. Jude Children's Research Hospital continues to lead the way the world understands, treats and defeats childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases. To learn more and to become a St. Jude Hero, visit www.stjude.org.

Lastly, ten Legacy runners have competed every race since the inaugural race. After completing today's race, Mary Barnes states "Perfect weather to celebrate 25 years."

The Rock 'n' Roll Running Series is a best-in-class road running series Bringing Fun to the Run® through music, entertainment, and community immersion all combining in Nashville to provide an unforgettable experience. The Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville brings participants through the city's most iconic neighborhoods with rich history around every corner, passing many iconic landmarks including Broadway's honky-tonks, Dolly Parton's recording studio, Country Music Hall of Fame, and many more all before ending the event at the finish line at

Nissan Stadium, home of the Tennessee Titans.

Cooper Ramsey started both races with her talented rendition of the National Anthem. Several local bands, including the August Christopher, Nightingale, Belmont Church Band, Second Sunset, Velvet Dogs, and many more performed live on band stages along the route all before The Eaglemaniacs and Landon Parker took the stage at the Finish Line Stage outside Nissan Stadium as the First Horizon Encore Entertainment

The St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville weekend continues Sunday with the KiDSROCK, 1-mile, and Doggie Dash event all taking place at Nissan Stadium.

Presale registration for all distances of the 2026 edition of the Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville, set for April 26, will be open online until May 4 at 11:59 p.m. PDT. Lock in presale pricing by visitingwww.runrocknroll.com/nashville.

Special presale pricing will be at the lowest price of the year, at \$105 for the marathon, \$95 for the Half Marathon, \$85 for the 10K, \$60 for the 5K, \$22.85 for the 1-mile and KiDSROCK events. To register for 2026 or learn more about St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Nashville., please visit www.runrocknroll.com/nashville.

Next Rock 'n' Roll Running Series Events Coming Up:

The Rock 'n' Roll Running Series continues as the series makes its way to the Birthplace of the Rock 'n' Roll Running Series, San Diego, California. As the original event of the Rock 'n' Roll Running Series, Rock 'n' Roll Running Series San Diego will take May 31-June 1, 2025, and has long been a favorite stop on the best-in-class running series tour, welcoming visitors from all over to experience the ultimate tour on foot of America's Finest City. Participants will explore everything San Diego has to offer with a picturesque course, jam-packed with spectator support. The half marathon and marathon courses lead runners on a scenic tour through some of San Diego's most iconic neighborhoods, including Balboa Park, Hillcrest, North Park, Normal Heights and more, before finishing in Downtown San Diego. Registration for the Rock 'n' Roll Running Series San Diego is open by visiting, www.runrocknroll.com/san-diego.

To see the full schedule of Rock 'n' Roll Running Series events, visit www.runrocknroll.com/all-events.

For more information on the Rock 'n' Roll Running Series, please visit www.runrocknroll.com. Media inquiries may be directed to press@runrocknroll.com.

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