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**DELONTE WEST AUCTIONS OFF SHOES FROM**  
**ROOKIE/SOPHOMORE ALL-STAR GAME**

***- Proceeds from the online auction will benefit the Delonte West Foundation -***

- WHAT:** This week, Celtics' guard Delonte West will auction off his Nike basketball shoes that he wore during the T-Mobile Rookie Challenge in Houston on Friday, February 17, 2006. The shoes were made specifically for the Rookie/Sophomore All-Star game and feature a "Houston 2006" logo on the tongue of the green and white shoes. The shoes have been signed by West and will be accompanied by a certificate of authenticity.
- WHEN:** Auction starts at 9 p.m. (EST) on Friday, April 14 and will end on Sunday, April 23 at 9 p.m. (EST)
- HOW:** **Visit [www.auctioninn.com](http://www.auctioninn.com) and click on the Delonte West Foundation logo which will take you to the eBay auction.**
- DETAILS:** The Delonte West Foundation strives to make an impact in the lives of children through education, health and the arts. This summer, Delonte will host free basketball clinics for inner city kids in both Boston and Philadelphia. These free clinics will provide more than 400 kids with the opportunity to work on their basketball, sportsmanship, and teamwork skills, while building self-esteem both on and off the court. Through his Foundation, Delonte is creating an incentive program that rewards children for making positive decisions. Members will have the opportunity to receive incentive items based on their personal successes in school, at home, and at the community center. Because Delonte is an artist, he focuses much of his efforts on arts education. He believes that art offers a way for children to express themselves and escape from many of the world's pressures. Many of his drawings can be found in the hall of St. Joe's.

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