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Mystic Player Madison Scott. By. MYISLAND BALLERS.

ST. THOMAS — Professional basketball player and former Washington Mystics player Madison Scott will lead an all-girls basketball clinic in St. Thomas on July 23, combining training in fundamental skills with lessons in confidence, leadership, teamwork and personal development.

The clinic will be held from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Mark C. Marin Center at Antilles School. It is being presented by the Madi Scott Basketball Foundation, MyIsland Ballers and Vivid Streaming.

Maurice Wells, president of MyIsland Ballers, said the event is intended to provide participants with more than basketball instruction. Organizers also want to encourage girls to set ambitious goals and learn from a female professional athlete with family connections to the Virgin Islands.

“The main goal is to provide not only basketball training but also to empower our girls to dream big. With the clinic being conducted by a female with family ties to VI makes it that more dynamic,” Wells said. “To effectively meet the needs of our youth, we must fully leverage public-private partnerships, strengthen professional networks, and build meaningful relationships throughout the community. These collaborative efforts are essential to ensuring that clinics like this can continue in the future.”

For Ms. Scott, the clinic carries personal significance because her mother is from St. Croix.

“It’s truly an honor to come to the Virgin Islands and give back through basketball. With my mom being from St. Croix, this opportunity is especially meaningful to me because it allows me to give back to a place that is part of my family’s roots. Basketball has opened so many doors for me, and being able to share what I’ve learned with the next generation is something I don’t take for granted. My goal is to help these young athletes grow both on and off the court while creating an experience they’ll remember long after the clinic ends.”

Clinic to Combine Fundamentals and Competition

Participants will receive instruction in several core areas of basketball before being given opportunities to apply those lessons through individual and team competition.

“Throughout the clinic, we’ll focus on fundamental basketball skills like ball handling, shooting, passing, footwork, defense, and decision-making,” Ms. Scott said. “We’ll also compete in 1-on-1 and 5-on-5 games to help players apply those skills in game situations. Beyond basketball, we’ll emphasize communication, confidence, leadership, teamwork, and developing a positive mindset. My goal is for every player to leave as a better athlete and an even better person.”

Ms. Scott said her broader message to participants will focus on discipline, self-belief and refusing to accept limitations placed on their goals.

“Being a female athlete today is about so much more than sports. It’s about showing young girls that they belong, that their dreams are worth chasing, and that hard work pays off,” Scott said. “I hope every girl leaves knowing she’s capable of achieving great things if she’s willing to stay disciplined, believe in herself, and never let anyone limit what she thinks she can accomplish.”

MyIsland Ballers is also preparing for the Summer Madness Hoops Classic, scheduled for Nov. 20 through Nov. 22, 2026.