



SPLIT-SITE DOUBLEHEADER FEATURING ADONIS STEVENSON AND JULIO CESAR CHAVEZ JR. KICKS OFF BIG NIGHT OF BOXING ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

***COUNTDOWN LIVE: WILDER VS. FURY Begins At 6:45 PM ET/3:45 PM PT
Live On SHOWTIME® And SHOWTIME Sports® Social Media Platforms
Preceding Deontay Wilder vs. Tyson Fury SHOWTIME PPV® Event.***

Massive Night Of Action Presented By Premier Boxing Champions

NEW YORK - November 9, 2018 - A split-site doubleheader airing live on SHOWTIME and streaming live on SHOWTIME Sports social media platforms will kick off a big night of boxing on Saturday, December 1, leading into the SHOWTIME PPV presentation of the Deontay Wilder vs. Tyson Fury heavyweight blockbuster event presented by Premier Boxing Champions.

Adonis Stevenson will make the 10th defense of his WBC Light Heavyweight World Championship against undefeated, mandatory challenger Oleksandr Gvozdyk to start the action live from Videotron Centre in Quebec City, Canada. The two-fight telecast presented by Premier Boxing Champions continues live from Los Angeles, where Julio Cesar Chavez, Jr. will take on Alfredo Angulo in a 10-round super middleweight clash at STAPLES Center.

COUNTDOWN LIVE: WILDER VS. FURY will begin at 6:45 p.m. ET/3:45 p.m. PT live on SHOWTIME and on [SHOWTIME Sports YouTube channel](#) and [Facebook page](#), preceding the Wilder vs. Fury SHOWTIME PPV event that begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT from STAPLES Center.

The December 1 SHOWTIME PPV and COUNTDOWN LIVE presentations feature two of the most feared knockout punchers in the sport. With 39 knockouts in 40 professional fights, Wilder's right hand is widely regarded as the biggest weapon in boxing. The southpaw Stevenson's left has led to knockouts in six of his nine title defenses. On December 1, the two power-punchers will take on top-rated, undefeated opponents as they make the 10th and eighth defenses of their respective WBC titles.

Stevenson (29-1-1, 24 KOs) is boxing's longest reigning world champion, having won the WBC 175-pound title in 2013. The Montreal-based southpaw will face his WBC-mandated challenger in Gvozdyk (15-0, 12 KOs), a Ukrainian with 12 knockouts in his 15 professional fights since a standout amateur career that included a bronze medal at the 2012 Olympics.

In Gvozdyk, Stevenson will face his second consensus top-10 light heavyweight of 2018, following his Fight of the Year candidate draw with Badou Jack in May on SHOWTIME. Gvozdyk, an amateur teammate of

fellow Ukrainians Vasyl Lomachenko and Oleksandr Usyk, earned the mandatory status with a near-shutout decision over Mehdi Amar in March.

"I've been pushing myself in training to be ready to put on a great performance December 1 and defend my title once again," said Stevenson. "My old trainer, the late great Emanuel Steward, used to tell me that 'knockouts sell' and that's what I'm going for in this fight. I know I'm facing a good boxer who's coming in very determined. He'll be ready, but it won't be enough. It's going to be show time on SHOWTIME and another victory for 'Superman'."

"I have been waiting for this title shot for a very long time, and I will take full advantage of the opportunity," said Gvozdyk. "It doesn't matter where we fight. I am fully prepared to become the new WBC light heavyweight champion. Canada, 'The Nail' is coming to put on a show!"

Chavez, Jr. (50-3-1, 32 KOs) is the son of Mexican boxing legend and Hall of Famer Julio Cesar Chavez, Sr. The 32-year-old from Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico ripped off 46 straight victories to start his career using a gritty boxing style that denoted his toughness in the ring. Chavez is seeking to rebound from a unanimous decision loss to middleweight champion Saul "Canelo" Alvarez on May 6, 2017.

The 36-year-old Angulo (24-7, 20 KOs) is a tough brawler who has faced some of the best boxers in the sport. Angulo, who lives in Coachella, California but was born in Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico, is coming off a hard-fought split decision loss to former world champion Sergio Mora in April.

"I am excited to be back on December 1 to perform for the great Mexican fans in Los Angeles," said Chavez Jr. "At my weight I know I can beat anyone. I am focused and feel strong. Angulo will be first, but then I will pursue a belt at 168. I'm putting the division on notice. Chavez is back."

"I have been training very hard in anticipation of this fight and this is the best I have felt in a long time," said Angulo. "I am looking forward to defeating Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. and getting a title opportunity in the near future. I'm thankful for everyone who has supported me and I promise to surprise a lot of people on December 1."

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