



## **GGG Blog Part 2**

**When the rematch first fell through, you were determined to fight on May 5 anyway. Why was it so important for you to do that?**

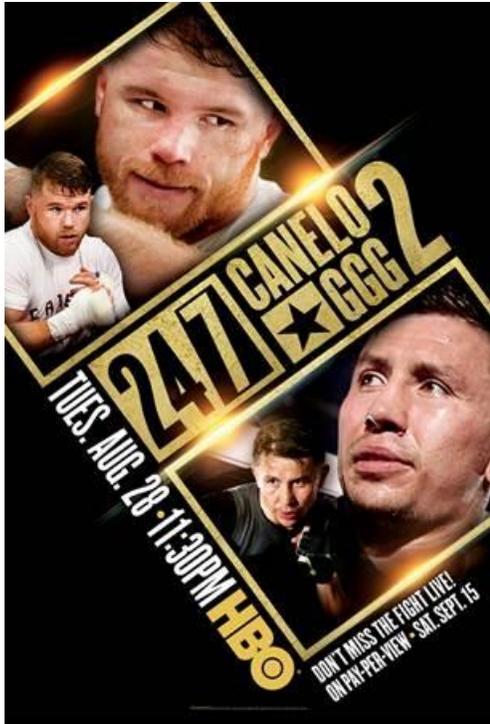
“When it became clear Canelo would not be allowed to fight on May 5 because of his failed drug tests, my priority was to keep my fight on Cinco De Mayo. Cinco De Mayo is a huge date for boxing. It is a boxing holiday. I did not want to let the fans down. I also wanted to stay active. And I like headlining boxing events on Mexican holidays. It brings out the best fans and the best in me.

“I was told that Canelo and his promoter did not want me to fight on Cinco De Mayo and that it could keep the rematch from happening. A lot of people tried to stop me from making a fight on Cinco De Mayo. I did not care about what they wanted. Keeping that fight on Cinco De Mayo was important to me, to the fans, and to the sport of boxing. This was going to be my decision. Boxing fans look forward to Cinco De Mayo. Sponsors like Tecate put a lot of time and energy into making it a special holiday weekend. My promoter Tom Loeffler worked very hard to make this happen. My fight with Vanes Martirosyan at StubHub Center was a great night for boxing and a big hit for HBO.

“No one is bigger than the sport. Boxing is about working hard and giving a fair and honest fight. I respect the sport of boxing and the fans around the world who support it. For me, it is always about giving fans an entertaining fight. That is why I fight Mexican Style which was taught to me by Abel Sanchez. When I was an amateur I dreamed of becoming a world champion. I have worked hard to make that dream come true and I am not ready to give that dream up. That is why it was important to fight on Cinco De Mayo. I like being a world champion. I like defending my titles. And that is why I am working hard to stay world champion on September 15 and beyond.”

**24/7 Canelo/GGG 2 debuts Tuesday, August 28  
at 11:30 p.m. ET/PT on HBO.**

**Canelo vs. GGG 2 takes place Saturday, September 15 at T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas and will be produced and distributed live by HBO Pay-Per-View beginning at a special time of 8:00 p.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. PT.**



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