



**DEONTAY WILDER TO DEFEND WBC HEAVYWEIGHT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AGAINST MANDATORY CHALLENGER BERMANE STIVERNE LIVE ON SHOWTIME® ON SATURDAY, NOV. 4 AT BARCLAYS CENTER IN BROOKLYN & PRESENTED BY PREMIER BOXING CHAMPIONS**

***Wilder vs. Stiverne World Title Rematch Headlines SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING® Tripleheader Beginning Live At 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT***



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**BROOKLYN** (Oct. 5, 2017) – WBC Heavyweight World Champion **Deontay Wilder** will defend his title against mandatory challenger **Bermane Stiverne** on Saturday, Nov. 4 live on SHOWTIME in a rematch of their 2015 world title fight. The event is presented by Premier Boxing Champions from Barclays Center, the home of BROOKLYN BOXING™.

Wilder (38-0, 37 KOs) dethroned defending champion Stiverne in January 2015 via unanimous decision in what was the promising challenger's toughest fight to date. With the win, Wilder became the first American heavyweight champion in nearly a decade and he has gone on to defend the title five times. Stiverne (25-2-1, 21 KOs) remains the only Wilder opponent to go the distance with the hard-hitting Tuscaloosa, Ala., native who has knocked out every other professional opponent on his long resume.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by DiBella Entertainment and TGB Promotions, are on sale now and can be purchased at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com), [barclayscenter.com](http://barclayscenter.com) or by calling 800-745-3000. Tickets can also be purchased at the American Express Box Office at Barclays Center. Group discounts are available by calling 844-BKLYN-GP.

After Wilder vs. Stiverne I, Stiverne was hospitalized at University Medical Center in Las Vegas for severe dehydration and muscle damage, which he claimed affected his performance in his first title defense. Stiverne bounced back with a win over Derric Rossy and has been advocating for a rematch since.

"Stiverne asked for it, so he's going to get it," Wilder said. "Whatever happens happens. Ask and you shall receive. I'm relieved to be getting my mandatory out of the way. At least now I won't have to deal with that down the road.

"In the first fight, I broke my hand in the third round, and I still dominated. That was a lot of the reason why it went the distance. This time it's a different day, different time and different fight. This time it won't end well for him.

"Despite all of these obstacles that are thrown in my path, it still will not stop me from reaching my ultimate goal, which is to be the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world."

Stiverne replaces Luis Ortiz, who was pulled from the fight by the WBC on Wednesday after he failed a VADA anti-doping test.

"Stiverne will pay for Luis Ortiz screwing up," Wilder concluded.

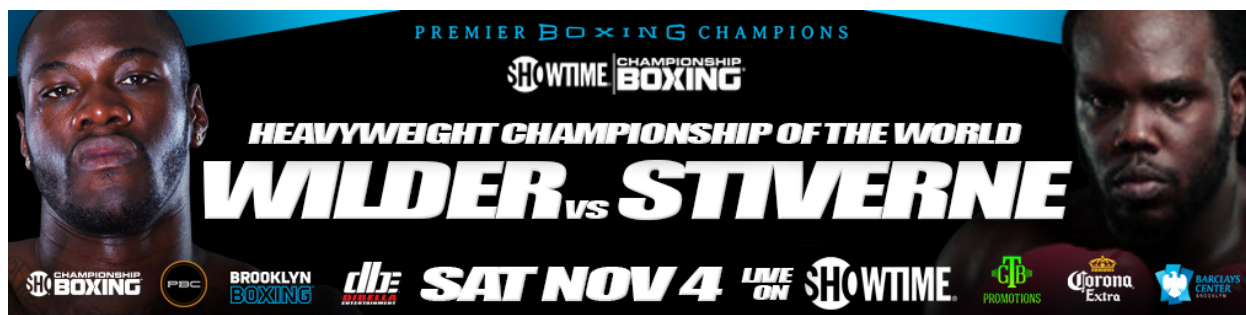
Stiverne was in camp preparing to fight Dominic Breazeale in a heavyweight attraction on the Nov. 4 undercard. Now the Haitian-born Las Vegas resident gets a shot at winning back the heavyweight crown he first won with a knockout of Chris Arreola in 2014.

"I am ready, willing and able to seize back my title from Wilder," Stiverne said. "We all know that Wilder dodged a bullet in the first fight, but not this time. It was my fault, but I learn from my mistakes. On November 4, Wilder will feel my pain."

After defeating Stiverne, Wilder went on to knockout each of his next five challengers including twice as the headliner on SHOWTIME. Wilder-Stiverne II will be the 10<sup>th</sup> heavyweight world championship fight to air live on SHOWTIME in the last two years as the heavyweight division continues its resurgence.

"The show must go on, as they say, and Deontay Wilder still plans to put on a show for New York City," said Lou DiBella, President of DiBella Entertainment and promoter of the stacked Nov. 4 event. "Considering Stiverne's status as mandatory challenger, he was always going to be a roadblock in Deontay's quest for heavyweight unification. Now it's time to see if Deontay can clear that roadblock and continue on his path to becoming the undisputed heavyweight champion and the most recognizable and dominant force in boxing."

In the SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING co-feature, former welterweight world champion Shawn Porter will battle perennial contender Adrian Granados in a matchup of two all-action fighters. In the opening bout of the three-fight telecast beginning at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT, unbeaten contender Sergey Lipinets will take on Akihiro Kondo for the vacant IBF Junior Welterweight World Championship.



**“Showtime” Shawn Porter vs. Adrian Granados Highlights Stacked Undercard for Deontay Wilder vs. Luis Ortiz Event On Saturday, Nov. 4 at Barclays Center in Brooklyn, Presented by Premier Boxing Champions**

**Undefeated Contender Sergey Lipinets Faces Akihiro Kondo for Vacant IBF Junior Welterweight World Title in Opening Bout of SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING® Tripleheader Live on SHOWTIME® at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT**

**Plus, Heavyweights Bermane Stiverne and Dominic Breazeale to Meet in 10-Round Attraction Streaming Live Online via SHOWTIME Sports®**

**BROOKLYN**– (September 28, 2017) – Former welterweight world champion “Showtime” **Shawn Porter** will battle **Adrian Granados** in the featured bout of a stacked undercard for Deontay Wilder vs. Luis Ortiz on Saturday, Nov. 4 at Barclays Center, the home of **BROOKLYN BOXING™**, in an event presented by Premier Boxing Champions.

Unbeaten contender **Sergey Lipinets** will take on **Akihiro Kondo** for the vacant IBF Junior Welterweight World Championship to open the SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING tripleheader beginning live at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT.

Plus, former heavyweight champion **Bermane Stiverne** and former title challenger **Dominic Breazeale** will meet in a 10-round heavyweight attraction that will stream live online via SHOWTIME Sports.

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“Deontay Wilder versus Luis Ortiz on November 4 is the best heavyweight championship fight that was makeable this year, and it will be supported by a tremendous action-packed undercard, televised on SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING,” said Lou DiBella, President of DiBella Entertainment. “Shawn Porter versus Adrian Granados is an all-action, fan-pleasing fight that will once again have fans at Barclays Center cheering. Sergey Lipinets is a knockout artist and up-and-coming star, attempting to secure his first world title. Additionally, SHOWTIME will

stream other undercard bouts, including what should be a competitive heavyweight title eliminator between top contenders Bermame Stiverne and Dominic Breazeale.”

"Adrian Granados is as tough as they come and while he may lack the name recognition of Porter, he should not be overlooked," said Tom Brown, President of TGB Promotions. "You look at his record and he has five losses, but those five losses are three split decisions and two majority decisions and the two draws that are split draws. This is another huge opportunity for him. Adrian feels he's paid his dues and belongs in a fight of this magnitude."

The 10-round welterweight match against Granados will be Porter's fourth fight at Barclays Center. Porter won the welterweight title in his debut at the arena with a unanimous decision over Devon Alexander on Dec. 7, 2013. He lost a narrow decision to unified welterweight champion Keith Thurman in a 2016 Fight of the Year candidate in Brooklyn, and scored a TKO victory against former welterweight champion Andre Berto in his last fight on April 22 in front of the Barclays Center faithful.

The 29-year-old Porter (27-2-1, 17 KOs), who was born in Akron, Ohio and now lives in Las Vegas, remains one of the top welterweights in the division and aims to secure another title shot with a strong performance against Granados.

"To be fighting on an undercard for a Deontay Wilder fight is nothing short of excellent," said Porter. "I'm excited and looking forward to this opportunity. Against Granados I'm getting into the ring with someone who is very established as an amateur and a professional, has great skills and isn't going to go in there and lay down. That's always going to bring out the best in me, and that's always going to create a very exciting match-up. I know that when I do what I'm planning to do, it's going to be exciting, entertaining and fill the seats."

Adrian Granados (18-5-2, 12 KOs), of Chicago, is accustomed to tough assignments and is known for delivering exciting toe-to-toe action. The 28-year-old has been in with Felix Diaz, losing a close majority decision in 2014, and then unbeaten Amir Imam, whom he defeated by TKO in 2015 when Imam was the top contender at 140-pounds. Granados went punch for punch with Adrien Broner in his last match, but came up just short, losing a split decision in Broner's hometown of Cincinnati on Feb. 18.

"I'm very excited to be fighting one of the best welterweights in the world in Shawn Porter," said Granados. "With our styles it's going to be fireworks from the opening bell. I was getting ready for a fight in October but when this opportunity arose I jumped at it. It's a tremendous card to be fighting on with the whole world watching and I'm looking to put on a great performance."

The 28-year-old Sergey Lipinets (12-0, 10 KOs) is a former kickboxer from Russia who has been waiting nearly a year for his opportunity to fight for a world championship. Lipinets has only been the distance twice in his pro career and he earned his title shot with an eighth-round knockout of Lenny Zappavigna in a title eliminator last December. In his most recent start, Lipinets stopped Clarence Booth via third-round TKO in March at Barclays Center.

"I feel very privileged to be in the position to fight for this world title," said Lipinets. "I will prepare to face the best possible fighter on that night and I promise that I will not disappoint. The lights will be bright but I have trained too hard not to leave the ring as a world champion."

Akihiro Kondo (29-6-1, 16 KOs) will be making his U.S. debut and fighting for a world championship for the first time when he meets Lipinets for the 140-pound title. The 32-year-old Kondo, of Kazo, Saitama, Japan, has won eight straight matches, including five by stoppage. This will be his third fight this year after he stopped Komsan Polsan in March and defeated Yuya Okazaki by TKO in May.

Former world champion Bermame Stiverne (25-2-1, 21 KOs) is coming off a two-year absence from the ring. Stiverne, 38, became the first Haitian-born boxer to win the heavyweight title when he defeated Chris Arreola in May of 2014. He lost the title to Wilder by decision on January of 2015 in Las Vegas. In his last fight Stiverne, who moved from Canada and now resides in Las Vegas, Nev., defeated Derric Rossy via decision.

The 32-year-old Dominic Breazeale (18-1, 16 KOs) was a member of the 2012 U.S. Olympic boxing team and won his first 17 pro fights before suffering the only loss of his career when he fell short vying for a title against now-unified champion Anthony Joshua in June of 2016. In his last match, the fighter from of Alhambra, Calif. scored a fifth-round TKO victory over Polish heavyweight contender Izu Ugonoh on Feb. 25 in a memorable slugfest.

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**Top Heavyweight Contender Dominic Breazeale  
Will Take on Eric Molina on the Undercard of the  
Deontay Wilder vs. Bermane Stiverne Heavyweight  
Championship Showdown at Barclays Center on  
Nov. 4**

**Plus! Five-Division World Champion, Top Pound-for-Pound Fighter  
Amanda Serrano Battles Marilyn Hernandez;  
Long Island's Seanie Monaghan Returns;  
Undefeated Prospects Chris Colbert and Titus Williams Clash  
In Featherweight Battle**

***New Ticket Pricing Set for the Live Event***

**BROOKLYN (October 12, 2017)** – Top heavyweight title contender Dominic Breazeale will take on Eric Molina in a 12-round WBC title elimination match on the undercard of the showdown between WBC heavyweight champion Deontay Wilder and Bermane Stiverne live on SHOWTIME on Saturday, Nov. 4. The event is presented by Premier Boxing Champions from Barclays Center, the home of BROOKLYN BOXING™.

The stacked card will also feature former welterweight champion Shawn Porter taking on Adrian Granados and Sergey Lipinets battling Akihiro Kondo for the vacant junior welterweight title in televised bouts. The live three-fight SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING telecast begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT.

Plus, five-time world champion Amanda Serrano of Brooklyn takes on Marilyn Hernandez, Long Island's Seanie Monaghan (28-1-0, 17 KOs) makes his ring return to face Evert Bravo (23-6-1, 17 KOs), from Arboletes, Colombia, and Brooklyn's Chris Colbert (6-0, 2 KOs) battles Long Island's Titus Williams (7-0, 2 KOs) in an eight-round featherweight bout.

New prices have been set for tickets to see the event live at Barclays Center, giving fans an unprecedented opportunity to see the heavyweight champion of the world in a rematch against the only contender who has taken him a full 12 rounds.



Tickets for the event, which is promoted by DiBella Entertainment and TGB Promotions, are on sale now and can be purchased at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com), [barclayscenter.com](http://barclayscenter.com) or by calling 800-745-3000. Tickets can also be purchased at the American Express Box Office at Barclays Center. Group discounts are available by calling 844-BKLYN-GP.

“We’ve recognized that Deontay’s opponent has changed, and we’ve restructured ticket prices to encourage as many fans as possible to attend a great night of fights, and the Heavyweight Championship of the world,” said Lou DiBella of DiBella Entertainment, the promoter of the card. “Stiverne is thrilled for this second chance and he has nothing to lose. Bermane Stiverne is the only opponent that Deontay hasn’t knocked out among his professional opponents. Deontay wants to fix that and Stiverne is looking to throw a wrench into Wilder’s dream of heavyweight unification.”

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Dominic Breazeale (18-1, 16 KOs), who lives in Eastvale, California, is coming off a KO victory over Izu Ugonoh on Feb. 25. The 32-year-old Breazeale suffered the only loss of career in a heavyweight championship match against Anthony Joshua in London on June 25, 2016.

Eric Molina (26-4, 19 KOs) has twice fought for the heavyweight world championship. In his first title shot the 35-year-old from Weslaco, Texas was knocked out by Deontay Wilder on June 13, 2015. Molina lost via TKO to Anthony Joshua in his next opportunity on Dec. 10, 2016. Molina bounced back with a majority decision victory against Jamal Woods in his last fight on Sept. 2.

Five-division world champion Amanda Serrano (33-1-1, 25 KOs) will be making her fourth appearance at Barclays Center when she defends her super bantamweight world title against Marilyn Hernandez (26-10, 17 KOs). Serrano, who was born in Puerto Rico and lives in Brooklyn, successfully defended her title with a TKO victory over Edina Kiss in her last fight on July 21. Hernandez of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic scored a TKO victory over Maria Hernandez in her last fight on Jan. 10.

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# DEONTAY WILDER

## QUICK FACTS

- **Full Name** – Deontay Wilder
- **Nickname** – The Bronze Bomber
- **Height** – 6-7
- **Weight** – Heavyweight
- **Date of Birth** – October 22, 1985
- **Hometown** – Tuscaloosa, Alabama
- **Record** – 38-0 (37 KOs)

## BACKGROUND

- Picked up boxing at a late age so that he could support his daughter who was born with spina bifida
- Played basketball and football at a community college before picking up boxing

## PRO CAREER

- Turned pro in November 2008 with second round stoppage of Ethan Cox
- Has knocked out 97% of his opponents
- In 2012 he defeated previously unbeaten fighters Damon McCreary and Kelvin Price
- In 2013 defeated experienced contenders Audley Harrison and Siarhei Liakhovich
- 2014 saw him stop experienced heavyweights Malik Scott and Jason Gavern
- Won heavyweight world title with decision over Bermane Stiverne
- Defended his title for the first time with a stoppage of Eric Molina and followed it up with knockouts of John Duhaupaus and Artur Szpilka
- Most recently stopped Gerald Washington in February after knocking out former title challenger Chris Arreola in eight rounds in July 2016

## AMATEUR CAREER

- 2008 Olympic Bronze medalist for the U.S. (he is the last U.S. male boxer to medal)
- 2007 National Golden Gloves heavyweight champion
- Represented U.S. at 2007 World Amateur Championships

## SOCIAL MEDIA

- **Twitter** - @BronzeBomber
- **Instagram** – BronzeBomber
- **Facebook** – facebook.com/DeontayBronzeBomberWilder



## **BERMANE STIVERNE**

### **QUICK FACTS**

- **Full Name** – Deontay Wilder
- **Height** – 6-2
- **Weight** – Heavyweight
- **Date of Birth** – November 1, 1978
- **Hometown** – La Plaine, Haiti
- **Record** – 25-2-1 (21 KOs)

### **BACKGROUND**

- Born in Haiti but lives and trains out of Las Vegas

### **PRO CAREER**

- Turned pro in July 2005 with a first round stoppage of Roy Matthews
- Unbeaten in his first 12 pro fights
- Defeated Kertson Manswell and Ray Austin in 2011 to rise up heavyweight rankings
- Defeated Chris Arreola in 2013 to win WBC Silver Heavyweight title and beat him again in 2014 to capture the WBC Heavyweight World Title
- Lost title to Deontay Wilder in 2015 and most recently defeated Derric Rossy

### **AMATEUR CAREER**

- Record of 49-10
- Member of Canadian National Team from 2003-2005
- Six-time Quebec Golden Gloves Champion
- 2005 Canadian National Championship Silver Medalist

## SHAWN PORTER

### QUICK FACTS

- **Full Name** – Shawn Porter
- **Nickname** – Showtime
- **Height** – 5-7
- **Weight** – 147 (Welterweight)
- **Born** – October 27, 1987
- **Hometown** – Akron, OH
- **Record** – 27-2-1 (18 KOs)

### BACKGROUND

- Started boxing with his Dad and older brother at just eight-years-old
- Multiple sport star who broke Miami Dolphins great Larry Csonka's rushing record at Stow High School in Ohio

### PRO CAREER

- Turned pro in October 2008 with a first-round TKO over Norman Johnson
- Won 11 of his first 12 bouts within the distance
- After beating undefeated contender Phil Lo Greco, he beat Julio Diaz by unanimous decision in September 2013, this time to win a regional title
- Won his first world title in December 2012, defeating Devon Alexander for the Welterweight World Title and defended against Paulie Malignaggi
- Suffered his first loss against Kell Brook in August 2014 but rebounded to knockout Erick Bone in March
- Defeated four-division world champion Adrien Broner in primetime on June 20, 2015
- Lost close decision to unified champion Keith Thurman in June 2016 and rebounded to stop Andre Berto in a title eliminator in April 2017

### AMATEUR CAREER

- 276-14 amateur record
- 2003 International Junior Olympics Silver medalist
- 2006 U.S. National Championships Silver medalist
- 2007 U.S National Golden Gloves Gold medalist
- 2007 U.S. National Championships Silver medalist
- 2007 U.S. Olympic Trials Bronze medalist
- 2008 U.S. National Championships Silver medalist

### SOCIAL MEDIA

- **Twitter** - @ShowtimeShawnP
- **Instagram** – ShowtimeShawnP

## ADRIAN GRANADOS

### QUICK FACTS

- **Full Name** – Adrian Rene Granados
- **Nickname** – Tigre
- **Height** – 5-9
- **Weight** – 140 (Super Lightweight)
- **Date of Birth** – August 14, 1989
- **Hometown** – Chicago, Illinois
- **Record** – 18-5-2 (12 KOs)

### BACKGROUND

- Began boxing during sophomore year of high school with encouragement from a teacher at his school
- Sparring with boxing legend Juan Manuel Marquez

### PRO CAREER

- Turned pro in September 2008 with stoppage victory over Hector Castillo
- Undefeated in nine of his first 10 pro fights
- Undefeated in 2012 and 2013 with victories over Jaime Herrera, Carlos Winston Velasquez and previously unbeaten fighters Mark Salser and Antonio Canas, plus a split-draw with former champion Kermit Cintron
- Won five fights in a row, including a stoppage of previously unbeaten top contender Amir Imam before dropping a close decision to Adrien Broner in February

### AMATEUR CAREER

- 75-12 amateur record
- 2008 Mexican Olympic Alternate
- 2008 Junior Olympic State and Regional Champion
- Ended 2008 Ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in National Rankings at Junior welterweight
- Junior Golden Gloves National Champion
- Ringside World Championships bronze medal

### SOCIAL MEDIA

- **Twitter** - @ElTigreAG