



PREMIER BOXING CHAMPIONS ON SPIKE
ADRIEN BRONER VS. ASHLEY THEOPHANE
PRESS CONFERENCE QUOTES & PHOTOS

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (February 29, 2016) – Four-division world champion **Adrien “The Problem” Broner** and 140-pound **Ashley “The Treasure” Theophane** hosted a press conference at the W Hotel in Washington, D.C. to announce their world title showdown on **Premier Boxing Champions (PBC)** on **Spike** taking place Friday, April 1 at the D.C. Armory.

Mayweather Promotions President **Floyd Mayweather** was on-hand along with representatives from About Billions Promotions, HeadBangers Promotions, Spike and the D.C. Boxing and Wrestling Commission to talk about the exciting night of fights coming to our nation’s capital. Also on the dais, was platinum recording artist **Rick Ross**, a friend of both Mayweather and Broner.

Also featured on the PBC on Spike telecast is rising star **Robert Easter Jr.** against former world champion **Algenis Mendez**, plus top prospect **Gervonta “The One” Davis** in a super featherweight showdown against Mexico’s **Guillermo Avila**. In addition, local undercard fighters **Anthony Peterson**, **Kareem Martin**, **Patrick Harris** and **Demand Nicholson** were in attendance to discuss their hometown bouts.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by About Billions Promotions and Mayweather Promotions in association with HeadBangers Promotions, are priced at \$200, \$100, \$50 and \$25, and are on sale now. To purchase tickets visit www.ticketmaster.com, Ticketmaster locations or call [\(800\) 745-3000](tel:8007453000). The event is sponsored by Corona.

Here is what the participants had to say Monday:

ADRIEN BRONER

“This is really a big fight for me. I know that Ashley Theophane is going to come to fight, because he has something to prove. He’s going to try to take my world title.

“A lot of people told me I wouldn’t be here. I come from nothing. Like cereal and water nothing. I’m very fortunate to have someone like Floyd to look up to. I don’t want to be like Floyd though, I don’t want to be like any man. I admire him and respect him, but I’m creating my legacy.

“At the end of the day, Floyd and Ashley aren’t on my side. I’m against them. They’re coming to dethrone me. They’re my enemy right now and I’m going to beat Ashley down.

“This training camp, I’ve really been perfecting my craft. This is going to be the best performance of my career. It’s going to be a highlight reel performance. I’m not coming to just get a win.

“This fight isn’t going four rounds. That’s too many. This is going to be quick. I’m not playing.

“There’s nothing Floyd can teach [Theophane]. At the end of the day, it all goes out the window. The trainers and entourage can’t help. They can’t help Ashley Theophane.

“I want everyone to come out. Big brother Floyd Mayweather is gone, everyone else is too boring, so I’m taking over the sport.”

ASHLEY THEOPHANE

“There are many different thing we’re working on to neutralize Broner and keep up with his quickness. I’ve sparred with a lot of young guys who imitate him and I believe I can match him.

“He does a lot of things right and a lot of things wrong. Adrien Broner can be beat and he has been. We’re working hard. At the end of the day this is my career-defining fight.

“We all turn pro to become a world champion. I’ve been in the gym for months, working on things and staying in shape.

“I’ve watched Adrien Broner in the past. I was at the John Molina and Shawn Porter fights and I know he’s got talent. But he can be beat. He’s vulnerable, very vulnerable.

“It’s not just about what you do in the ring, but it’s also about being a mature fighter. He’s going to do what he does and as a grown man, I just have to stay calm. Being the more experienced fighter is a position I like.

"I'm representing Floyd Mayweather. He has my back and he believes in me. He believes I can win and that's extra motivation.

"I want to be the best I've ever been. I want to fight the fight of my life on April 1. I don't want to turn the clock back. I want this to be the best performance of my career.

"It's been a long journey as a professional and I have to thank Floyd for giving me this chance. April 1 is going to be a war. Adrien is a warrior and I know he has no quit in him. If you have a dream, you have to work hard to make it come true and that's what I'm here to do."

ROBERT EASTER JR.

"I'm thankful to everyone who put me in this position. I will give everyone a shot like I always do.

"I consider D.C. one of my hometowns and I'm coming to give everyone a show. This is a blessing and a tremendous opportunity.

"I want a world title and this is another big step on my way towards that goal. To be able to do it on Adrien Broner's card just guarantees it's going to be a big night.

"I'm just ready to show off my skills and make a name for myself so that I can continue to grow in this sport."

GERVONTA DAVIS

"I'm definitely excited to fight in DC. This is where my first professional fight was. I'm so thankful to Barry Hunter for letting me train with him and helping me toward this opportunity.

"I have a great team. Especially Floyd Mayweather, who has taken me in and taught me so much about boxing but also about everything outside of the ring. I'm blessed to have his support in my career.

"April 1, it's going to be an action-packed fight. I will be a world champion one day. You don't want to miss this one."

ANTHONY PETERSON

"This is my 38th fight, going for my 37th victory and fourth knockout in a row. Boxing isn't something you talk about, you just do it. That's what I'm going to do April 1st. It's going down.

"I made my pro debut on a Roy Jones card, which was another big stage. So I'm very ready and blessed.

"I'm coming to give my hometown fans the knockout. Boxing is like jazz, the better it is, the less it's appreciated. A knockout will get you praise.

"I'm targeting everybody in the division. I want a belt. The first one to step up, I'm going to take care of him."

FLOYD MAYWEATHER

"I'm happy to be here and I truly believe this will be a very exciting fight. Adrien is a very young and explosive fighter. He's a force in boxing right now.

"Ashley Theophane is a guy that came from the UK with a dream. His dream was to be world champion one day. Same dream I had. He's a very humble, hungry and dedicated fighter.

"I don't think this is going to be an easy fight for Adrien. I'll tell both guys to push themselves to the limit and give fans what they want to see.

"Gervonta Davis is someone I look at like a son. I met him in 2014 and they said this is the next big thing. Broner brought him to my gym to let me see him work. He's a very explosive kid. He's exciting and he will be fighting for a world title soon after a couple more bouts.

"I want to thank Adrien for giving him the chance to make his dream come true. I believe Adrien will continue to put on exciting fights and a good show. You're still learning, it's all a process.

"Adrien and Gervonta have great teams. The Baltimore and D.C. area has some extraordinary talent and the trainers are unbelievable. I'm not biased, I feel like whatever a fighter is comfortable with, that's whom a fighter should be with.

"Mayweather Promotions isn't rushing, we're taking it one step at a time. I would love to see some of these guys break my records. Records are meant to be broken. I've done everything I can do in the sport. I'm blessed to share the stage with these young guys.

"Ashley is working with a great trainer in Nate Jones. He's a former Olympian and a guy who has a great boxing mind.

“DC isn’t a good city, it’s a great city. We couldn’t choose a better place to have the fight. I believe that this will be a sold out event. I’m going to work to make sure everywhere you look in the city, you will see Adrien Broner and Ashley Theophane.”

RICK ROSS, Platinum Selling Record Artist

“I’m not only a friend of the boxers, but I’m also a friend of the sport. This is my favorite sport. I believe this is the sport of gladiators. This is where men, with ambition and sheer will stand-alone.

“Me and my friend Adrien Broner, will be doing some exciting things in 2016. I’m here to let everyone know on behalf of the hip-hop community, that we’re supporting this fight. April 1, ‘The Boss’ will be in the building.”

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