

## **Hopkins and Pascal Both Quiet At Final Press Conference Ahead of Saturday Scrap**

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### **"DYNASTY II: PASCAL-HOPKINS" FINAL PRESS CONFERENCE QUOTES**

Montreal, Canada (May 18)...**Bernard "The Executioner" Hopkins** and **Jean Pascal** made it clear at today's final press conference in Montreal, Canada that they both want to let their fists do the talking when they meet this Saturday, May 21 at the Bell Center in Montreal in a bout that will be televised live on HBO's World Championship Boxing® in the United States and on pay-per-view in Canada. Hopkins spoke first, repeating the statement he made at the final press conference in December prior to his first fight against Pascal. Pascal then approached the podium and made the same statement. Both fighters immediately exited the press conference venue, showing they are 100 percent focused on Saturday night's WBC, WBC Diamond and Ring Magazine Light Heavyweight World Championship fight.

#### **Jean Pascal, WBC, WBC Diamond & Ring Magazine Light Heavyweight World Champion**

"Enjoy the fight."

#### **Bernard Hopkins, Former Two-Division World Champion**

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#### **Yvon Michel, President of Groupe Yvon Michel**

"We have almost arrived at our destination. With Dawson vs. Diaconu combined with Pascal vs. Hopkins, this weekend's event is going to be a huge.

"[The staff at] Golden Boy Promotions are people of their word, people of vision and people of action. We are very proud to be associated with them.

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"We are also happy to be associated with HBO. The fact that HBO decided to buy this fight shows the high regard they hold for Jean Pascal and Bernard Hopkins.

"This is the fifth time that HBO has done an event from Canada and the third time on their World Championship boxing series.

"The table is set. Seven months ago when Bernard Hopkins and Jean Pascal met, they were like old pals and now it seems like they are mortal enemies. They can't wait to bring their differences into the ring and give it all they have. It is no longer just about the championship; it is about which fighter is the best and which fighter is going to make history.

"I am kind of sad because I am a big Bernard Hopkins fan. I am sad because he made a bad decision to take on Jean Pascal again. It was a genius decision when he answered Jean's call last year. It was the right decision, but now he has made the wrong decision."

### **Richard Schaefer, CEO of Golden Boy Promotions**

"It is a pleasure to be here in Montreal and return to Canada. The people in Canada are amazing. The fans are amazing.

"I did want to do the fight in Los Angeles, where our offices are and where Bernard has a lot of fans, but I was vetoed by Bernard. He said, 'I want to beat Pascal in his hometown.'

"This is a historic week. This is not just history-making for boxing. It is history-making for sports...period. Bernard will make history as the oldest athlete in any sport to win a world championship again.

"This is an opportunity we don't want to miss because we can't turn back the clock. You want to

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be able to say 'I was there. I witnessed it.'

"It is a very important moment for all of us. This victory is not going to just be for Bernard. It will be for all of us as he shows that we can do whatever we want to do if we live life the way it should be lived."

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**"Dynasty II: Pascal vs. Hopkins"** is presented by Groupe Yvon Michel and Golden Boy Promotions and sponsored by Casino de Montreal, Videotron and Coors Light. The 12-round WBC, WBC Diamond and Ring Magazine Light Heavyweight World Championship fight will take place Saturday, May 21 at the Bell Centre in Montreal, Canada and will be televised live on HBO's World Championship Boxing beginning at 10:00 p.m. ET/7:00 p.m. PT in the United States and distributed live on pay-per-view in Canada on Canal Indigo, Bell TV, Shaw TV, Viewer's Choice and Sasktel in French and English beginning at 7:00 p.m. ET.

A 12-round light heavyweight bout between former World Champions Chad Dawson and Adrian Diaconu will also be featured on the telecast. Dawson vs. Diaconu is presented in association with Gary Shaw Productions and InterBox.

Tickets, priced at C\$500, C\$350, C\$250, C\$175, C\$110, C\$75, C\$50 and C\$35, are on sale now and may be purchased at the Bell Centre box office or by calling [\(514\) 790-2525](tel:5147902525) or [\(877\) 668-8269](tel:8776688269)

. Tickets are also available online at [www.evenko.ca](http://www.evenko.ca)