

Demetrius Andrade To Glove Up on Sept. 21st

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MANCHESTER, N.H. (September 8, 2011) – A little more than month after registering on national television the most significant victory of his young pro boxing career, undefeated 2008 U.S. Olympian **Demetrius** “Boo Boo” **Andrade** (14-0, 9 KOs) returns Wednesday, September 21 to headline the 10th annual Fight To Educate at Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Andrade, fighting out of Providence, won a commanding, one-sided win by unanimous decision this past August 19th against *The Contender, Season 2* winner Grady Brewer, winning nine of 10 rounds on all three of the judges’ scorecards. The 23-year-old Andrade, universally regarded as one of the top prospects in the world, has cracked the ratings at No. 3 in the North American Boxing Federation and No. 15 by the United States Boxing Association.

A year ago, the gifted light middleweight fought on the Fight To Educate card, stopping Dave Sanders in the second round. Andrade takes on former two-time world title challenger **Saul** “Baby”

Duran

(38-18-2, 31 KOs) in this year’s 10-round main event.

Another familiar figure in action Sept. 21 will be 2008 U.S. Olympic Team Alternate **Danny O’Connor**

(14-1, 3 KOs), who will face dangerous light welterweight

Jamal Del Cid

(7-5, 3 KOs) in the six-round co-feature.

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O'Connor made his pro debut in the 2008 Fight To Educate card and the Framingham, Mass. Light welterweight has become a fixture in Manchester with this being his fourth straight year fighting in the charity fundraiser event.

Upset specialist **Jose "Stinger" Medina** (14-9-1, 6 KOs), from Tilton (NH), will also be in action versus an opponent to be determined in a six-round light middleweight bout. Medina, a native of Mexico, is coming off a controversial eight-round draw against former world champion Joachim Alcine, in which most observers felt Medina deserved a victory. In January, Medina scored a shocking fourth-round knockout of 17-1 Isaac Rodrigues.

Fighting on the undercard in four-round matches are Claremont (NH) lightweight **Dan Powers** (3-0, 2 KOs) vs.

Luis Rosario

, and Windsor (VT) welterweight

Chris Gilbert

(1-0, 1 KO) vs.

Noel Garcia

Fight To Educate is a unique charity event that combines a love of sports with the vision of assisting children and seniors in need, who with fundraisers like this could be 'down for the count.' During the past nine years, *Fight To Educate* has raised more than \$500,000 in donations benefitting local New Hampshire non-profit organizations.

Proceeds from the 10th annual *Fight To Educate* will benefit SEE Science Center (www.see-sciencecenter.org)

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), The Bobby Stephens Fund for Education (www.stepheneducationfund.com)
, and St. Joseph Community Services/Meals on Wheels (www.mealsonwheelsnh.org)
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Tickets, priced at \$50.00 and \$25.00 (general admission), are available to purchase by going online at www.ticketmaster.com , calling Ticketmaster at [800.745.3000](tel:800.745.3000) , or at the Verizon Wireless Arena Box Office or any Ticketmaster location.

Table tickets for a night of professional boxing and Black Tie dinner, as well as an auction and meet-and-greet with special boxing legends such as former world heavyweight title challenger “Gentleman” Gerry Cooney, as well as world champions and three of New England’s all-time greatest boxers – Vinny “The Pazmanian Devil” Paz, “Irish” Micky Ward and John “The Quietman” Ruiz – are available by calling Stephen Singer at [603.669.4100](tel:603.669.4100) .

The dinner starts at 5:30 PM/ET, doors for boxing open at 7:30 PM/RT with the first bout scheduled for 8 PM/ET.

Go online to www.fight2educate.com or www.verizonwirelessarena.com for additional information.

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