

Paul Malignaggi, Brian Kenny To Work Canelo Show

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LAS VEGAS (Sept. 12, 2012) -- Emmy award-winning broadcaster **Brian Kenny**, the longtime anchor of ESPN's SportsCenter and ESPN2's Friday Night Fights and current anchor and host on MLB Network, and WBA Welterweight World Champion

Paulie Malignaggi

have been added to the broadcast team for this Saturday's four-fight

SHOWTIME CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING

telecast live from the

MGM Grand Garden Arena

in

Las Vegas

(SHOWTIME, 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT).

In Saturday's "Knockout Kings" main event, incredibly popular Mexican superstar and WBC Super Welterweight World Champion **Canelo Alvarez** defends against breakout star **Josesito Lopez**

The 22-year-old, red-headed Alvarez's fights have garnered higher TV ratings in his home country than the national soccer team. Lopez registered the Upset of the Year when he knocked out **Victor Ortiz** last June 23 on SHOWTIME. Fireworks are sure to fly in one of the three world title fights at MGM Grand on Saturday.

Kenny, who will host the telecast, will join blow-by-blow announcer **Mauro Ranallo**, expert analyst

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Bernstein

, ringside reporter

Jim Gray

and special guest analyst, Malignaggi, to help set the stage for a mega fight card on SHOWTIME featuring eight fighters with a combined record of 288-16-5 with 206 KO's and a knockout percentage of more than 70 percent.

Malignaggi, who'll be making his debut at ringside for SHOWTIME, will defend his 147-pound world title against **Pablo Cesar "El Demolidor" Cano** in one of three world title fights on SHOWTIME on

Oct. 20 from **The Barcl**

ays Center

in

Brooklyn

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LIVE STREAMS: SHOWTIME Sports® will bring boxing fans closer to the action with a live stream of both **Thursday's press conference** and **Friday's weigh-in**

from MGM Grand. For the press conference at The Hollywood Theatre and the weigh-in at the Grand Garden Arena, log on to

ustream.tv/shosports

. The press conference begins at 1 p.m. PT on Thursday. Friday's weigh-in begins at 2 p.m. PT.