

## **Fernando Guerrero to answer the bell in Salisbury on April 16**

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SALISBURY ---- Fernando Guerrero announced at a news conference held at Main Street Gym on Sunday that he will return home to Salisbury for his next fight.

Guerrero (17-0 14 KO) will put his undefeated record and NABO title on the line in the main event of an April 16 nationally broadcast ShowBox event to be held at the Wicomico Youth & Civic Center.

"It's exciting," said Guerrero of the upcoming fight. "It means a whole lot (to be the main event.) Last time we fought in Salisbury I was the co-main. I actually kind of felt like the main event, but now I'm actually the main event, so it's great."

Guerrero is coming off a fourth round knock-out win over Jessie Nicklow in December, and is hungry to keep the zero in the loss column of his record.

"A lot of times people say you're undefeated; well no, I tasted defeat before, even though I've never tasted defeat in the pros. I've been fighting for a long time; I've been in this boxing business for over 11 years now. I know how it felt (to lose) in the amateurs, so I never want to taste that again."

Joining Guerrero on the card will be his older brother, Alex Guerrero (3-0 1 KO), who will take on Justin Riegle (3-3 1 KO) in his fourth professional fight. Also scheduled to fight will be Dominic Wade (5-0 5 KO), Tahir Thomas making his professional debut and Ty Barnett (16-1 11 KO). Shawn Porter (13-0 10 KO) will also return to Salisbury to fight in the co-main event.

Tickets for the event are scheduled to go on sale at the Civic Center box office on March 15. They can also be purchased over the phone or by going to the Civic Center's Web site. Tickets will range in price from \$15 for upper level seating to \$125 for first row ringside seats.

"To be able to watch Fernando and these other fighters with this type of talent and have the world watch you for only 15 bucks is unbelievable," said Guerrero's trainer and manager Hal Chernoff. "Please take advantage of these low ticket prices."

While no opponent has been announced to face off with Guerrero in the main event yet, Chernoff believes that not only will it be a quality opponent but that the announcement should come soon.

"(Showtime) is not going to let somebody come into the ring that doesn't have a shot. It's got to be somebody that they want," said Chernoff. "We still have some 'i's' to dot and some 't's' to cross but hopefully we will have something done soon."

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