

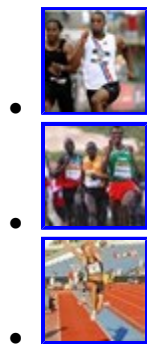
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Campbell-Brown, Gay and Gebremariam confirmed for New York - IAAF World Athletics Tour



Veronica Campbell-Brown runs 21.74 to become the tenth fastest woman of all time (Getty Images)

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New York, USA - Reigning World 100m champions Veronica Cambell-Brown and Tyson Gay and World Cross Country champion Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam are the first key names announced for the Reebok Grand Prix in New York on 30 May.

The **Reebok Grand Prix** is the first of two **IAAF World Athletics Tour** meetings this season in the U.S.A.

At 26 Campbell-Brown is already a five-time Olympic medallist, and in Beijing became only the second woman in Olympic history to successfully defend a 200m title. In Osaka two years ago, the Jamaican also captured the 100m World title. At Icahn Stadium she'll be gunning for her third straight 100 New York victory.

In 2007 Gay won the 100m, 200m and 4x100m World titles in Osaka and was later named World Athlete of the Year. But a lingering injury knocked him out of the Olympic 100m in the semi-finals last year less than two months after he lowered the American 100m record to 9.77.

Just two weeks ago, Gebremariam, 23, won the World Cross Country title in Amman, Jordan. The Ethiopian distance champion previously won World Cross individual medals in 2002, 2003 and 2004. With his individual gold and team silver medals, Gebremariam has now earned 15 medals at the IAAF World Cross Country Championships, second only to compatriot Kenenisa Bekele.

Also announced was Sweden's reigning three-time World Heptathlon champion Carolina Klüft who compete in the Long Jump.

Now in its fifth year, the Reebok Grand Prix which will in 2010 join the IAAF Diamond League, is held at the state-of-the-art Icahn Stadium on New York's Randall's Island.

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