



NORTH AMERICAN TENNIS STARS COCO GAUFF & LEYLAH FERNANDEZ TO PLAY IN SUNDAY SHOWDOWN AT 2023 ATLANTA OPEN

*Also, American tennis stars
Taylor Fritz & John Isner added to the 2023 field*

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ATLANTA (May 18, 2023) - The Atlanta Open has announced that 2022 WTA Finals singles and doubles qualifier **Coco Gauff** and 2021 U.S. Open finalist **Leylah Fernandez** will go head-to-head in the Sunday Showdown presented by UPS on July 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. ET to kick off the Main Draw. The two North American players will play a three-set singles match, with other fun surprises planned for the evening. The 2023 Atlanta Open is scheduled to be played July 22-30 at Atlantic Station in Atlanta.

This will be the first-ever meeting between the two young stars who have combined to win five singles titles in their careers. Gauff, a finalist at the 2022 French Open, is currently ranked No. 5 in the world in singles and recently earned her third career singles title by winning the ASB Classic in New Zealand. Fernandez is ranked No. 50 and coming off a quarterfinals appearance in the French Open last summer.

“We can’t think of a better way to begin the 2023 Atlanta Open than with Coco Gauff and Leylah Fernandez playing in the Sunday Showdown presented by UPS,” said **Peter Lebedevs**, Atlanta Open tournament director. “Starting this event with two of the best North American tennis players in the sport really sets the tone for an exciting week in Atlanta. We’re looking forward to watching Coco and Leylah face off in their first head-to-head match.”

“Atlanta is where I fell in love with tennis, and I look forward to returning to the Atlanta Open to give the fans a great show,” Gauff said. “I’m really looking forward to playing against Leylah. It’s an honor to share the court with a great competitor at such an exciting event.”

Added Fernandez, “Playing against Coco will be a huge thrill. We have never played before, and we have great respect for each other. I expect both of us to play our best tennis and have a tough, competitive match.”

The Atlanta Open has also announced that **Taylor Fritz**, currently ranked No. 9 in the world, and **John Isner**, six-time Atlanta Open Champion, will join the field for the 2023 tournament. Premium seating, individual session, and weeklong tickets that include the women’s match are on sale now and available at atlantaopentennis.com.

About the Atlanta Open

The Atlanta Open is held each year in July at Atlantic Station and is one of the summer tournaments in the US Open Series. The tournament features men’s top world tennis players in singles and doubles competition. Approximately 40,000 fans attend the tournament and bring an estimated economic impact of \$10.3 million to Atlanta. Alex de Minaur is the defending champion from 2022. John Isner has won the Atlanta Open six times (2021, 2018, 2017, 2015, 2014 and 2013). Andy Roddick won his last ATP World

Tour title when he defeated Gilles Muller at the 2012 BB&T Atlanta Open. Mardy Fish holds the title for 2011 and 2010. More information at www.atlantaopentennis.com.

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