

104th

MILLROSE GAMES



The **FITNESS INSTITUTE** is proud to announce that our very own **Dr. Thien Dang-Tan** was chosen to provide healthcare to the athletes at the 104th Millrose Games at the world famous Madison Square Gardens in New York, NY. The track and field meet will take place Jan 28, 2011 where the world's best will take the blocks. Olympians past, present, and future in an action packed event featuring the world famous Wanamaker Mile. The event is the first of USA Track & Field's VISA Championship Series. The Millrose Games will be televised live from 8-10pm Eastern Time on ESPN2.

Event Highlights

Lagat to be tested in Wanamaker Mile

In 2010, American middle-distance ace **Bernard Lagat** had to beat the Olympic gold medalist in order to win his record eighth Wanamaker Mile, surpassing Eamonn Coghlan as the "Chairman of the Boards" at Millrose. If he wants to win his ninth title in 2011, Lagat will need to turn back perhaps the world's best indoor miler, **Deresse Mekonnen** of Ethiopia. At age 36, Lagat owns six American records, two indoor and two outdoor world championship titles and two Olympic medals. A star of the future, Mekonnen is just 23 years old but already has a pair of World Indoor gold medals on his resume from 2008 and 2010, and he won the 2009 World Outdoor silver medal to Lagat's bronze.

Campbell-Brown to lead USA vs. Jamaica Challenge

Few stories in track and field have been as compelling on an international level as the sprint rivalry between the United States and Jamaica - a rivalry that beginning in 2008 went from U.S.-dominated to Jamaica-led. For the first time, that rivalry will hit the indoor venue at Millrose. The defending indoor 60m world champion, two-time Olympic 200m gold medalist and 2007 100m world champ, **Veronica Campbell-Brown** is the veteran star of the Jamaican women's sprint corps. She headlines the "USA vs. Jamaica Challenge," where three Americans will race against three Jamaicans in both the men's and women's 60-meter sprints. Points will be awarded according to place, and the scores of the two races combined. Additional athletes in the 60m fields will be announced in early 2011.

American triple threat to take on Millrose Multi Challenge

Reigning Olympic decathlon and World Indoor heptathlon gold medalist **Bryan Clay**, 2009 World decathlon champion **Trey Hardee** and indoor heptathlon world record holder **Ashton Eaton** will compete in the 60m hurdles, high jump and shot put in a scored competition, the Millrose Multi Challenge. "Clay and Trey" had already established themselves as gold-medal threats for London when in 2010, Eaton broke the world indoor record while a senior at Oregon. The three-time NCAA decathlon champion won the 2010 Bowerman Award as the nation's top male track and field athlete. Clay, Trey and Eaton will face competition from two-time NCAA champion **Jake Arnold** and the American high school record holder in the decathlon, **Curtis Beach** of Duke University.

