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**DES MOINES, Iowa** - Nine throwers are set to entertain the Drake Relays Presented by Hy-Vee crowd in the Rio Olympic Games Preview women's shot put, Relays director Brian Brown announced Thursday, March 17.

**[VIDEO: Relays Director Brian Brown discusses the Rio Olympic Game Preview field for the women's shot put](#)**

That field includes four competitors that have made a combined eight Olympic appearances and all nine recorded throws that ranked in the top-21 in the world last season. Additionally, both the American outdoor and indoor record holders in the event are set to step into the circle at Drake Stadium.

Leading the field is the American outdoor record holder, Michelle Carter. Carter's record-setting throw measured 66-5 (20.24m) during the 2013 USA Championships at Drake Stadium. She is also a 2008 and 2012 Olympian and recently claimed the 2016 USA Indoor Championship. Last season she had the third-best throw in the world at 65-8.25 (20.02m).

Jillian Camarena-Williams is the American indoor record holder in the event at 65-3.25 (19.89m) and owns an outdoor best of 66-2.5 (20.18m). Like Carter, she also represented the USA and the 2008 and 2012 Olympics. Last season she had the 15th best throw in the world at 61-4.75 (18.71m).

A three-time Olympian joins the field in Cleopatra Borel from Trinidad & Tobago. The 2015 Pan-American Games champion owns a personal best of 63-8.75 (19.42m) and last season had the fifth-best throw in the world at 63-2.25 (19.26m).

Tia Brooks is the final Olympian in the field, having represented the USA in the 2012 Olympics. She has thrown a personal best of 63-0.75 (19.22m) and previously won an NCAA Championship at Drake Stadium in 2012 for Oklahoma.

Completing the field for the Rio Olympic Games Preview women's shot put are Daniella Bunch, Brittany Smith, Jeneva Stevens, Felisha Johnson and Jessica Ramsey.

The Rio Olympic Games Preview women's shot put is scheduled to be contested during Hy-Vee Night at the Relays on Friday, April 29, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Single-session tickets for the 2016 Drake Relays presented by Hy-Vee go on sale to the general public on March 24 at 9 a.m. All-session and multi-session tickets for the 2016 Drake Relays presented by Hy-Vee are currently available at [www.DrakeRelays.org](http://www.DrakeRelays.org), [www.DrakeTix.com](http://www.DrakeTix.com) or by calling the Drake Athletic Ticket Office at 515-271-3647.

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