

# NBA Finals: Thunder vs. Pacers

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Indiana Pacers

Andrew Nembhard

Media Day



**Q. Question about having four players from Canada in the NBA Finals.**

ANDREW NEMBHARD: It's nice. It's good for the country. It's good for the young guys looking up -- when I was young, I was looking up to players in the league and seeing the possibility of me playing there and it was always inspiring. So I think it's good for the country.

**Q. Is the prep different, knowing how Shai and Lu play?**

ANDREW NEMBHARD: The prep is not different. Looking to compete, play hard, understand their tendencies, play the team game, understand what I got to do to help the team.

**Q. About a year ago you were playing in the Olympics. You were sharing a locker room with Shai. Now you're basically going to be defending him for 48 minutes probably. How does it feel?**

ANDREW NEMBHARD: I'm super excited to be here, super excited to play for a title. It's the biggest stage in basketball. It's what you hope to compete for.

Those guys are great players. They're going to pose a problem in different ways from other teams. We're excited to game plan that and go at 'em, for sure.

**Q. Question about the Pacers being overlooked.**

ANDREW NEMBHARD: I don't think any of us care how overlooked we are. I don't think we pay attention to what media thinks about what our projections are going to be. We have a close-knit group and we look inward. We believe in ourselves and we work every day to get better.

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