

Danny Garcia & Omar Douglas Media Workout Quotes

PHILADELPHIA (November 1, 2016) – Undefeated world champion Danny “Swift” Garcia held a media workout at his gym in Philadelphia on Tuesday as he prepares for his Premier Boxing Champions on Spike showdown with Colombia’s Samuel Vargas taking place Saturday, November 12 from Temple University’s Liacouras Center in Philadelphia.

Also in attendance at Tuesday’s workout was undefeated rising prospect Omar Douglas, who battles former world champion Javier Fortuna in PBC on Spike action that same night.

Televised coverage on Spike begins at 9 p.m. ET/8 p.m. CT and features undefeated rising star Jarrett Hurd against former title challenger Jo Jo Dan in a super welterweight attraction.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by DSG Promotions and King’s Promotions, are priced at \$200, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$35 and are on sale now. To purchase tickets visit LiacourasCenter.com/events or call 800-298-4200.

Garcia has teamed up during this promotion with Philabundance, the region’s largest hunger relief organization, to arrange a regional food drive, collecting most-needed items, such as tuna and vegetables. Fans have been encouraged to drop off canned goods at the Liacouras Center (1776 N Broad St) and the DSG Boxing Gym (3731 Jasper St). Additionally, \$10 from each ticket sold has been donated and will provide 20 meals per ticket for people in need.

Here is what the participants had to say Tuesday:

DANNY GARCIA

“It feels great to be fighting at home. This is what

Philadelphia needed. We're a fight town. I feel like people don't know that all over the world. We have a great history and a lot of world champions from here, and they've been kind of been overshadowed. It's an honor to be able to bring a fight back to these fans.

"It's very important to give back. I'm so happy to have the opportunity. With Thanksgiving and Christmas around the corner I'm sure we'll be making a big impact. There are a lot of families in Philadelphia who really need it and I'm glad I can help.

"I'm very lucky to be where I am. It takes a lot of hard work, but you also need the right timing. My dad and I had a vision. We never gave up on that vision. We've been through so much in life, we didn't want to stop till we reached our goals.

"The city of Philadelphia needs a champion. They need someone to give them a hometown show. There's a lot of excitement with the Eagles and Sixers right now, and I'm going to give them another thing to cheer for.

"It's a very short trip for me to the arena so I'm happy about that. I feel comfortable. I'm in my own backyard. We're planning to make sure Vargas is very uncomfortable.

"I love seeing these young kids from Philadelphia on the card. I love giving them an opportunity to get fights in front of their hometown fans too. There are a lot of doors opening up for young fighters from Philadelphia and I love that I can be a part of it.

"I know Billy Briscoe (Vargas' trainer) will have some tricks. We're very familiar with each other and I know what kind of trainer he is. He's never prepared to face someone like me.

"I've watched the tape on Vargas. He's a gritty fighter. He's definitely a tough guy who won't give up. I have to be ready. I'm going to have to be prepared. I feel ready to go.

"I had to grow into 140-pounds before I started knocking people out. This will be my third fight at welterweight and I think I'm going to feel as good as I have in my career. That's why we're ready to take on the best."

OMAR DOUGLAS

"This is just a task. I've been preparing for this moment all my life. Ever since I was eight-years-old. Not to take anything away from Fortuna, but he's a gatekeeper in the division. I have to get through him to get to what I want."

"Camp has been camp. It's rough at times but it's part of the process. I embrace it all though. I love being in camp. I'm bored when I'm not at camp so I'm definitely happiest when I'm in the gym."

"My weight is on point and on target. We're just slowing it down and getting ready to make sure I'm peaking on fight night."

"Being able to fight in Philadelphia means the world to me. This is where I started my boxing career. I've been coming up the highway from Delaware to fight since I was a kid. Now a win here can propel me to another level."

"Fortuna is where I want to be at. I want to get through him. I can't look past him. I'm focused on Javier Fortuna and writing another chapter in my story."

"You can expect a very exciting fight on November 12. Hopefully he's everything that people claim he is. I know that I am and I'm definitely going to come out on top."

ANGEL GARCIA, Danny's Father & Trainer

"There are people in this country who don't have food. My parents were farmers when they came to this country. When I was a child I was hungry. I ran around with no shoes and I wore my brother's clothes. The first thing Danny and I do when

we get in the ring is say a prayer and bow our heads for the kids in the world with nothing to eat. I always told Danny and my family to appreciate whatever we have gotten. We're using our position now to make a difference.

"Danny is completely ready for this fight. He's healthy and on track to make weight. We'll be in the ring on November 12 and I think that if Samuel Vargas comes to fight and stands toe-to-toe with Danny, we're going to end the night early.

"We've brought in a lot of young prospects and guys with more experience for Danny to spar. I try to mix it up on Danny and keep him 100 percent ready. We can't take anything away from Vargas though. I know Danny is a very talented fighter and he gives me what I want. He's always learning.

"We don't watch a lot of tape. My job is not to watch the opponent, it's to train Danny Garcia. You can't forget about what your fighter does well.

"These are big things for Danny. He's the champion and he should be on exciting cards like this. We're looking to keep building and building his career.

"We're keeping Danny focused. He knows that he can't underestimate anybody. We take every opponent very seriously. The 32 people that he fought before were taken just as seriously as Vargas. We don't change anything or take anything away. I make sure his circle is tight and that camp is focused.

"I'm happy because headlining in Philadelphia is Danny's dream. What makes Danny happy makes me happy. That's what it's about at the end of the day."

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