

# Giovani Santillan Stops Alexis Rocha in Six

NEW YORK (October 22, 2023) – Giovani Santillan remained undefeated in capturing the NABO Welterweight title with an empathic six-round beatdown of WBO number-one ranked Alexis Rocha in a bout that headlined a DAZN streamed card at the Kia Forum in Inglewood, California,

Santillan is managed by Split-T Management.

Santillan put a career best performance as he battered and bloodied the highly regarded Rocha from the outset,

Santillan, who began to bloody Rocha as early as round three, scored two knockdowns in round five. The first was set up by an uppercut. By that time the face of Rocha was a mess and Santillan continued to pour it on and the stoppage was inevitable.

That came just a round later when Santillan continued his assault that resulted in the third knockdown of the fight and the fight was mercifully waved off in favor of Santillan at 1:13.

“I feel good. It was the outcome we were looking for. You never know how these types of fights will go,” said **Santillan**. “Alexis is a great fighter, and he’s tough. He got up twice and he’s never been stopped before! It’s different with all these people here and when you’re the b-side. He brought all his fans and his supporters which makes boxing a great sport. 2024 is going to be a great year for me now with this performance. I needed this to secure a title shot.”

“Giovani is a testament to hard work and perseverance. He’s the consummate professional and one of the nicest guys you

will ever meet. Against Rocha the rest of the world got to see he can really fight also,” said David McWater of Split-T Management.

Santillan of San Diego is promoted by Top-Rank and is now 32-0 with 17 knockouts.

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# **Giovani Santillan Takes on Alexis Rocha in High-Stakes Main Event**

NEW YORK (October 21, 2023) -Tonight from the Kia Forum in Inglewood, California, Split-T Management’s undefeated welterweight, WBO number-five ranked Giovani Santillan takes on WBO number-one ranked Alexis Rocha in a bout that could lead to a very significant fight for the winner.

Santillan of San Diego has a record of 31-0 with 16 knockouts. The 31-year-old has wins over Peter Haro (2-0), Michael Balasi (10-2), Daniyar Hanyk (10-0), Osenohan Vazquez (7-1-1), Eduardo Rivera (9-1-2), Ernesto Ortiz Centeno (10-2), Omar Tineda Bahena (18-3), Sammy Valentin (12-0), Dotzi Kenek (19-1), Alejandro Barboza (11-1), former world champion Antonio DeMarco (33-8-1), Cecil McCalla (23-4), Angel Ruiz (17-1), Jeovanis Baraza (23-2), Julio Luna Avila (19-0-2) and a 10-round unanimous decision over Erick Bone (27-6) on July 22nd in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Rocha of Santa Ana, California is 23-1 with 15 knockouts. The surging 26-year-old has quality wins over Cesar Valenzuela (7-0), Miguel Dumas Perez (10-1), Carlos Ortiz Cervantes (11-2), Berlin Abreu (14-2), Roberto Valenzuela Jr. (11-1),

Brad Solomon (28-2), James Bacon (26-4), Jeovanis Beranza (23-1), Blair Cobbs (15-0-1), Luis Alberto Veron (19-4-2), Jesus Perez (24-3), George Ashie (33-5-1) and his bout when he took out Anthony Young (24-2) on May 27th in Indio, California.

The Top-Rank promoted Santillan weighed 146 lbs, while Rocha was 147 lbs.

The fight will headline a DAZN streamed card beginning at 8 PM ET.

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**AUDIO: Alexis Rocha**

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**VIDEO: Alexis Rocha**

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**AUDIO: The Abrams Boxing Show: Ep 14 w/Alexis Rocha**

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