Video: Dwight Muhammad Qawi

Video: Michael Spinks

Video: AC Boxing Hall of Fame Kick Off

Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame Inaugural Induction Weekend Photos from Kick Off Meet and Greet

















WHO: The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF)

WHAT: The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame will enshrine 24 Charter Class members.

Confirmed to attend Honorees:

Mike Tyson, Michael Spinks, Don King, Larry Hazzard, Dwight Muhammad Qawi, J Russell Peltz, Frank Gelb, Mike Rossman, Bill Johnson, Steve Smoger, Dave Bontempo, Don Elbaum, Bob Lee and Ken Condon.

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Johnson for their extraordinary careers spanning seven decades. Special Guests *Ray Mercer (BULLYING...We're Kickin' It Spokesperson) *Mark Breland *Iran Barkley *Milton Luban *Tracy Patterson *John Scully Non Fighters *Don Guardian, Mayor of Atlantic City *Rodney Jerkins, multi Grammy-award winner *Suzette Charles, former Miss America *Sophia Gatti, daughter of Arturo Gatti *Pat Lynch, renowned Boxing Manager *Lillo Brancato, Actor *Grandy Twins *Vincenzo Vaccaro: Cake King of Queens *Atlantic City Police Athletic League *Aaron Snowell, co-organizer the Jack Johnson Exhibit *BULLYING...We're Kickin' It *The Legacy Exists Joe Frazier Scholarship Fund *Joseph Nicolosi, Artist known for his signature Pop Art portraits *James O'Neal, Wood Sculpture Artist WHERE: The Claridge – A Radisson Hotel, 123 South Indiana Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401 Friday, May 26th, Sunday May 27th and Sunday, May 28th May 27th Press Check-in 9:15A | in the Conference Center | Fight Fan Experience 10A - 4P May 27th Press Check-in 5:15P | Red Carpet Arrivals 6:00P | in the Art Gallery | Honoree Gala 7P - 11P

May 28th Press Check-in 4:00P | Red Carpet Arrivals 4:30P | in the Conference Center | Inaugural Induction Ceremony | Time: 6P - 9P Post ceremony interviews and photo ops available as well. Media Inquiries: Please note that space is limited and all press will need credentials to check-in. Representatives of the media must RSVP to: Angela Crockett Marc Abrams Communications Director for ACBHOF Abrams Boxing (609) 350-5310 (856) 287-7611 acrockett.acbhof@gmail.com phillyboxing@gmail.com Honorees, Celebrity Guests and ACBHOF Executives will be available for interviewS. *****ACBHOF is pleased to recognize our sponsors**** Corporate Partner: The Claridge Hotel a Radisson Hotel Title Sponsor: Hard Lifestyle Beverages City of Atlantic City; Designer Wraps; Hammer Fiber Optics; Triax 57; 2300 Arena; FantaSea Resorts; Adams Boxing; Cake King of Queens and Bee Apparel Fight Fan Experience Timeline Honoree Gala Timeline 6:00 Dignitaries Arrival/Reception (Lower GalleryLevel) 7:00 General Public Arrival 7:00 Cocktail Reception & Chicken Bone Beach Performing

7:30-7:35 Ray McCline Welcoming Remarks/Intro Emcee Nino DelBuono

7:35-8:00 DJ Young Hitta/Reception

8:00-8:20 Honoree Precession & Greetings

8:20-8:30 Solo Musical Performance by Suzette Charles

8:30-8:55 Honoree & Awards Presentation

8:55-9:05 Solo Musical Performance by PARRIS

9:05-9:35 Chicken Bone Beach Performing

9:35-10:00 Nicolosi Art Reveal Presentation

10:00-10:50 DJ Young Hitta/Reception

10:50 Closing Remarks

Induction Ceremony Timeline

Procession of Inductees Introduction — Founder, Ray McCline Invocation — Pastor, Wayne M. Nelson Sr. National Anthem — Althea Saunders Mission Statement — Vice President, Rodrick L. Green Master of Ceremonies — Henry Hascup

Fighter (Resident and Non-Resident) MIKE TYSON, ARTURO GATTI, LEAVANDER JOHNSON, MIKE ROSSMAN, MATTHEW SAAD MUHAMMAD, DWIGHT MUHAMMAD QAWI, MICHAEL SPINKS, LARRY HOLMES

Trainer & Cutman (Resident and Non-Resident) LOU DUVA MIKE HALL SR BILL JOHNSON

Non-Participants Promoter, Manager, Advisor, Matchmaker & Ring Announcer DON KING FRANK GELB DON ELBAUM J RUSSELL PELTZ

Officials (Commission, Judges, Doctors & Referees) LARRY HAZZARD SR. STEVE SMOGER DR. FRANK DOGGETT

Media (Writer, Historian, Photographer, Artist & Digital Technology)

BERT SUGAR DAVE BONTEMPO JACK OBERMAYER

Special Contributors, Executives, T.V. Networks, Government Officials, Boxing Organizations KEN CONDON BOB LEE DENNIS GOMES

Proclamation – Mayor Don Guardian 9 Count Bell Ringing

Unveiling of Commemorative Paintings Closing Remarks

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!!! ACBHOF INAUGURAL INDUCTION CEREMONY & CELEBRATION MAY 26TH - 28TH 2017 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ — Tickets are on sale now for the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) Inaugural Induction Ceremony & Celebration Weekend. The world-renowned Claridge a-Radisson Hotel will be the backdrop for this momentous event on May 26th, 27th, 28th 2017. The Mission, Vision, and Purpose of ACBHOF are to preserve the rich boxing history of Atlantic City. The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame will be honoring and enshrining some of the most iconic and recognizable names in the history of the sport for their significant contributions in making Atlantic City a boxing destination around the world.

Confirmed Mike Tyson, Michael Spinks, Don King, Larry Hazzard, Dwight Qawi "All of my great fights in Atlantic City are so memorable, the Spinks fight, Larry Holmes and an array of other legendary fights I participated in. I'm looking forward to coming to Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame to receive my honors." Mike Tyson

Also, confirmed to attend:

J Russell Peltz, Frank Gelb, Mike Rossman, Bill Johnson, Steve Smoger, Dave Bontempo, Don Elbaum, Dignitaries and celebrity invited guests.

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Brief Description of Weekend:

Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame looks to capture the heart and soul of true fight enthusiasts through our Inaugural Induction Ceremony & Celebration Weekend. Fight Fans will experience Atlantic City Boxing History through Live Curated and Interactive Exhibits, Legendary Boxing Stars, and Personalities, autograph signings and photo ops, unique vendors, food, games and much more. All under one roof at The Claridge – A Radisson Hotel Memorial Day Weekend 2017 in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Rooftop Kickoff: The Vue, May 26th | Doors open at 5P | Time: 5P-8P EST | \$65 General Admission The Art of Music & Boxing: Celebrity Theatre, May 26th | Doors open at 7P | Show starts 8P to 11P EST

Fight Fan Experience: Conference Center, May 27th | Doors open 9A | Time: 10A to 4P | \$30 General Admission

2017 Honoree Gala: Art Gallery, May 27th | Doors open 7:15P | Time: 7P to 11P EST | \$125 General Admission

Inaugural Induction Ceremony: May 28th | Time: 6P EST | \$40 General Admission Tickets can be purchased online at www.acbhof.com Tickets can be purchased at these following locations: Claridge-A Radisson Hotel 123 Indiana Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401 Atlantic City Police Athletic League (PAL) 250 N. New York Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401 Starting Five Barber Shop 711 N. Main Street, Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Dream Team Cutz 631 Tilton Rd. Suite #541, Northfield, NJ 08225 2300 Arena 2300 South Swanson Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148 Rooms can be booked by visiting www.claridge.com for discount room rate until April 10th use promo code: BHOFAC For more information about the ACBHOF, including partnership opportunities please contact: Rodrick L. Green ACBHOF V.P. / Business Strategy Tele: (609) 334-0373 Email: rgreen.acbhof@gmail.com For exhibitors and vendors looking be involved in the induction or to reserve a booth please contact:

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ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCES THEIR CLASS OF 2017 FOR ITS INAUGURAL INDUCTION WEEKEND MAY 26th -28th 2017

Atlantic City, N.J. – November 28, 2016 – The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) today announced the first 24 members into its class of 2017. This epic event will take place at The Claridge, a Radisson Hotel located at Park Place & Boardwalk in Atlantic City, New Jersey on Memorial Day Weekend; May 26, 27 and 28, 2017.

The Claridge Hotel serves as the signature Corporate Sponsor for this knockout weekend and will host an exciting itinerary for guests that will include: a red carpet meet and greet, invitation only rooftop cocktail reception, and an Ultimate Fight Fan Experience Expo (an interactive boxing and entertainment experience with exhibits, merchandise and memorabilia from top fighters and brands available for purchase and photo opportunities and autograph sessions) that is open to the general public.

"This is an excellent class of inductees each-and-every one of these individuals are well deserved and have done remarkable things to help Atlantic City be recognized as a top boxing destination," said Ray McCline President and Founder of the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame. Inductees to Atlantic City Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) are named in six categories and selected by ACBHOF's esteemed committee.



"This is the vein that carries the life blood of boxing which pumps into the hearts of millions around the world," said Rodrick Green Vice President Strategy and Business Development for ACBHOF. "We have our fingers on the pulse of this vein and that energy will be uncapped during the First Annual Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame Weekend!"

"Having been a part of boxing in Atlantic City throughout my broadcasting career as well as being in the corner with my brother George; the idea to preserve Atlantic City's boxing legacy is long overdue," stated Roy Foreman Senior Vice President of ACBHOF. "The Hall of Fame will play a key role in bringing the sport back to prominence in a city that is known as one of the original meccas for the sport of boxing."

Over the next several months leading up to the ACBHOF 2017 Induction Weekend, updates on room packages, a detailed schedule of events and expected celebrity appearances at the event will be posted on the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame and the Claridge Hotel websites.

All interested sponsors, exhibitors, and vendors looking be involved in the induction or to reserve a booth at it are encouraged to contact the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF): Tele: 1+ (609) 318 -3188 (USA) P.O. Box 7221 Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401 Email: info@acbhof.com or acbhof@gmail.com

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About the Claridge (http://claridge.com/atlantic-city-hotel/) The Claridge Hotel and Brighton Park hold a rich and significant place in American history. The property is centrally situated on arguably the most desirable plot of land in Atlantic City. The Claridge Hotel, once known by its 1929 nickname "Skyscraper by the Sea", radiates a breathtaking Manhattanesque design situated in the prime center of the Atlantic City's boardwalk. One of the last remaining architectural masterpieces from the Boardwalk Empire Era, The Claridge Hotel housed such legends as Marilyn Monroe, John F. Kennedy, Al Capone, Nucky Johnson, Princess Grace of Monaco and Frank Sinatra.

The "New" Claridge Hotel boasts an era style décor which is portrayed in all 500 guest rooms which have all been completely remodeled. Elegant suites are favored by many guests with spectacular ocean/bay views and Jacuzzi tubs.

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ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME WILL HOST ITS FIRST

INAUGURAL INDUCTION WEEKEND MAY 26, 27 & 28, 2017

Atlantic City, NJ (November 22, 2016) — Calling all boxing fans! The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame will host their first inaugural Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on Memorial Day Weekend 2017 at The Claridge — A Radisson Hotel located at Park Place & Boardwalk Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401.

The Claridge Hotel serves as the primary Corporate Sponsor for this knockout weekend which takes place May 26, 27 & 28, 2017 and will provide an exciting itinerary for participating guests. This historical weekend will include: On Friday May 26th An Exclusive Rooftop Cocktail Reception with the 2017 Honorees, Saturday May 27th, By Day, The ACBHOF Ultimate Fight Fan Experience! A winning combination of a highly interactive boxing & entertainment experience, engaging exhibits, collectors merchandise and memorabilia for purchase from some of the top industry fighters and brands in boxing, as well as picture and autograph sessions. By Evening, The Inaugural Red Carpet Meet & Greet, and an incredible event party with delectable food, live music, art & entertainment: At this Induction kickoff event, participating guests will witness The Historical Procession of Honorees. Sunday May 28th, The Official Induction Ceremony of The Atlantic Boxing Hall of Fame 2017 Honorees in Brighton Park, overlooking the beautiful Atlantic Ocean for a spectacular finish. A true boxing fans dream come true!

Atlantic City is known as one of the original boxing meccas, so it's only fitting that some of boxing's most iconic fighters and colorful personalities be honored and recognized for all they have done to help Atlantic City be known as a boxing destination. A lineup of former and current boxing greats as well as celebrities from music and sports are anticipated. "The Claridge is proud to be in partnership with the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame and to continue to promote professional boxing's exceptional history in Atlantic City," says Cem Erenler, vice president of Operations and Business Development for TMJ Properties, the owner and developer of The Claridge. The iconic hotel, which is now part of the global Radisson brand. first opened in 1930. "Hosting this signature event is in the best traditions of The Claridge, which for more than 80 years has been Atlantic City's center for exciting events in sports and entertainment," Mr. Erenler said.

"There have been great fighters and other iconic figures such as "Iron" Mike Tyson, Atlantic City's own Leavander Johnson, as well as Arturo "Thunder" Gatti and Don King who have participated in some of boxing most memorable boxing events right here in Atlantic City" stated Ray McCline President/Founder of the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame. "My core team of Roy Foreman, Rodrick Green and the esteem ACBHOF Nomination Committee will be announcing all future inductees on Monday November 28, 2016 via an official press release to the general public"

Over the next several months leading up to the ACBHOF "2017" Induction weekend, updates on room packages, schedule of events and celebrity appearances will be posted on the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame and the Claridge Hotel websites.

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ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME UPDATE

October 14, 2016 – Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame is proud to announce that the ACBHOF Esteemed Nomination Committee has completed the nomination and voting process. The names of all luminaries, which will be inducted into the First Charter Class of the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame, will be made at a later date in November. This Historic group of Inductees is comprised of Boxers, Trainers, Promoters, Managers, Matchmakers, Historians, Special Contributors, and Posthumous individuals. All have help to make Atlantic City a top boxing destination in the U.S.A.

The ACBHOF founder & president Ray McCline will announce this exceptional group of Inductees via an official press release in mid November to the general public. Mr. McCline states; "My team and I are looking forward revealing the names of the inductees which have had a significant impact on Atlantic City's rich boxing history, during their respective careers".

"There are so many potential inductees to consider, yet due to the fact that this is our first class, the selection process had to be streamlined. We feel that Atlantic City was, and will continue to be a major player in the future of this great sport. In the future we will be able to accommodate many more great fighters and special contributors, for years to come."

The future date and venue of the 2017 Atlantic City Boxing

Hall of Fame induction weekend will be forthcoming. Those interested in being a sponsor, advertisement and/or seeking vending opportunities during the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame 2017 Induction Weekend, are encouraged to contact us at:

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Mission Statement:

The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame mission, vision and purpose is to offer fans and visitors alike, a highly interactive Sports & Entertainment Boxing Curation Experience, We are committed to preserving the rich boxing history of Atlantic City, through live historical curation, exhibits, legendary boxing stars, and personality appearances. We will also conduct our annual year round events, well paired with multicultural entertainment artistry. The action, excitement, victories and defeats", The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame wishes to re-fuel the passion, and presence of the sport of gladiators in a City that needs no introduction. The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame purpose is to, remember, acknowledge and honor the great local, national & international boxers as well as the boxing community at-large for their commitment to and accomplishments within the sweet science of boxing that has help create the boxing Mecca Atlantic City has become synonymous with. Through our annual induction ceremonies; boxing greats, as well as the boxing community at-large will have their names enshrined in immortality by being inducted

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The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame "Where Boxing History Comes to Life"

We would also like to thank the following sponsors:

Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame and Claridge Hotel looking to bring boxing back to the boardwalk

Atlantic City, NJ (February 1, 2016) – The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame is proud to announce it's alliance with with the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ that will constitute bringing 6 events to the Historic Hotel in 2016.

Four of the events will be fight nights promoted by Rising Promotions, in the Celebrity Theatre venue with the first event being held on Saturday March 19, 2016

Two other major events are being planned which includes the inaugural induction class set for this fall as well as signature events that will appeal to boxing fans around the world.

The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame has assisted various promoters over the past two years in securing events and

venues and will continue it's effort to restore the shore community to being a mecca and destination for future boxing events.

Said Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame President & Founder Ray McCline, "It's been a pleasure working with the entire Claridge Hotel team. Their commitment and support has been greatly appreciated. We're looking forward to great things in 2016, at this historic Hotel their 650 seat Celebrity Theatre has proven to be the perfect venue to showcase young local boxing talent"

"The Claridge Hotel is happy to have created a relationship with the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame over the past year to bring boxing events to the property. A. Cem Erenler V.P. of Hotel Operations & Business Development further stated that we're very excited to announce that we have agreed to collaborate on a series of boxing events for 2016 and look forward to what this year will bring as we develop these fantastic events."

"It's such a pleasure to be in a joint venture with the Claridge Hotel and to bring boxing to Atlantic City, " Said Roy Foreman, Senior Vice-President of the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame. "The Claridge has such a historic background that it almost seems a natural fit that the shows will be taking place there. The Atlantic City boxing hall of Fame is indeed grateful to partake in this venture."

More news on upcoming events for the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame will be announced shortly.

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