

TICKETS ARE ON SALE FOR THE 8th ANNUAL ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME AWARDS & INDUCTION WEEKEND

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (March 19, 2024) – Tickets are on sale for the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) **8th Annual Awards & Induction Weekend** to be held **Friday September 27th, Saturday September 28th, and Sunday September 29th, 2024 at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City and Boardwalk Resorts – Flagship Hotel.**

The ACBHOF induction weekend commences at **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City on Friday September 27th** with the **“Opening Bell” VIP Cocktail Reception** where you can engage in an meet & greets with legendary figures: **7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, \$60.00** admission fee online and at the door, and **Saturday September 28th, Fight Fan Experience** will offer boxing enthusiasts an immersive interactive experience showcasing stunning artwork, exhibits, and boxing memorabilia and so much more: **10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, free admission**

The Highlight of the weekend is **Saturday evening September 28th**, red-carpet formal Induction Ceremony which takes place in an award show atmosphere. Join us as we honor all who helped make Atlantic City a worldwide boxing Mecca. Attendees will enjoy the opportunity to mix and mingle with boxing royalty and special VIP guests.

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continues to provide us with the most diverse entertainment line-up in Atlantic City,” stated **Mike Woodside, VP of Entertainment & Marketing, Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City**

Tickets can be purchased by visiting: [Ticketmaster](#) | ticket prices are: \$125.00 & \$60.00

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“Atlantic City holds many great memories from my boxing career, where I experienced triumph and defeat. The iconic Boardwalk Hall marked the start of my recognition on the world boxing stage, establishing me as one of the best globally. I’m humbled and forever grateful for being inducted into Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame rich boxing history. Thank you for this extraordinary recognition.” – **Sergio “Maravilla” Martinez**

“I cherish the memories from my time in Atlantic City, where numerous significant moments unfolded in my life. I’m so proud

to be honored by A. C. Boxing Hall of Fame, particularly at this juncture in my life when it might seem that the efforts I invested to achieve championship status are overlooked by many. I'm humbled by this recognition" – Paul Williams

2024 INDUCTION CLASS:

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ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCES CLASS OF 2024

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (January 25, 2024) – Today the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) unveiled the twenty-one (21)

honorees chosen for induction into its Hall of Fame. The prestigious 8th Annual Awards & Induction Weekend is scheduled to take place from Friday, September 27th, to Sunday, September 29th, 2024, at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City.

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POSTHUMOUS:

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The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame will offer boxing enthusiasts a fun filled experience with exceptional

programming at this year's Boxing Hall of Fame Awards & Induction Weekend. Delight in a VIP cocktail reception, engage in meet & greets with legendary figures, and immerse yourself in a fight fan experience showcasing stunning artwork, exhibits, and boxing memorabilia. The pinnacle of the weekend is the Awards & Induction red-carpet ceremony, set in an award-show atmosphere.

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ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME UNVEILS DISTINGUISHED GUEST LIST FOR 7th ANNUAL AWARDS & INDUCTION WEEKEND

Atlantic City, N.J. September 26, 2023 – The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF) proudly announces the roster of special guests attending the 7th Annual Awards & Induction Weekend, held from Friday, September 29th to Sunday, October 1st, 2023, at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City. The guest list features notable boxing figures such as: Roberto Duran, Michael Spinks, James Toney, Vinny Paz, Gerry Cooney, Ray Mercer, Tim Witherspoon, Kelly Pavlik, Lamon Brewster, Mark "Too Sharp" Johnson, Junior Jones, Reggie Johnson, Mark Breland, Sharmba Mitchell, Eva Jones-Young, John Scully,

Michael Olajide, Iran Barkley, Michael Nunn, Danny “Little Red” Lopez, Jeff Chandler, Montell Griffin, Yaqui Lopez, Al Cole, Kali Reis, Hector Camacho Jr., Rodney Moore, Kendall Holt, Dave Tiberi, Nate Miller and William Joppy, to name a few.

The weekend kicks off on **Friday, September 29th**, with the “Opening Bell” VIP Cocktail Reception from 5:00pm – 8:00pm, followed by the Friday Night Fight Presented by Hard Hitting Promotions at Bally’s Casino Atlantic City. On **Saturday, September 30th**, the Fight Fan Experience & Boxing Exhibits at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City will be open from 11:00am – 1:00pm

The highlight of the weekend is the **Red-Carpet Formal Awards & Induction Ceremony**, taking place on Saturday night inside the Sound Waves Theater. Attendees will enjoy a unique opportunity to mix and mingle with other boxing luminaries and special VIP guests, as well as honor all who helped put Atlantic City on the boxing map. ***The Pre-VIP Cocktail Reception*** will begin at 5:00pm, and it leads into the ***Official Awards & Induction Program*** from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. After the Awards Ceremony, guests with VIP tickets will have the chance to experience the ***Post-VIP Reception***, which includes a bonus fight watch party for Canelo Alvarez vs. Jermell Charlo

The 2023 class members of the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame include:

George Foreman, Shannon Briggs, David Tua, Pinklon Thomas, Tracy Harris Patterson, Doug Dewitt, Darroll Wilson, Shamone Alvarez, Jamillia Lawrence, Joe Hand Sr., Matt Howard, Rudy Battle, Benjy Esteves Jr., Arnold Robbins, Joseph Santoliquito, Lee Samuels They will be inducted alongside Posthumously & Pioneers such as **Buster Drayton, Marty Feldman, Rocky Castellani, Frankie Polo, Joe Miller, Horace M. Leeds, “K0” Becky O’Neill and Willie O’Neill**

For more information on event tickets, room reservations, and weekend schedules, visit the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame website at: www.acbhof.com

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**ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF
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HITTING PROMOTIONS FOR LIVE**

PRO BOXING DURING 2023 INDUCTION WEEKEND

Atlantic City, N.J. – August 15, 2023 – **The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF)** teams up with **Hard Hitting Promotions (HHP)** for a Fight Night extravaganza at **BALLY'S Atlantic City** in its acclaimed **6th Floor Grand Ballroom**, for a Live Pro Boxing event that will take place on Friday, September 29th, from 8:00pm – 12:00am. Headlining the show in the Main Event is: **Branden Pizarro** (18-1-10 KO's) of Philadelphia, PA vs. **Esteban Garcia** of Brawley, CA (16-2-8KO's) in a 10rd Jr. Welterweight clash and the Co-Main pits: **Leanna Cruz** (6-0) of Allentown, PA vs. TBD in a 8rd Bantamweight bout and several more exciting fights to round out the card.

Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame 7th Annual Awards & Induction Weekend, a three-day multi-tiered event, is slated to be unparalleled and reflective of the rich boxing history in Atlantic City. **The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame and Hard Hitting Promotions** collaboration looks to celebrate the magnificent careers of legends in boxing as well as introduce new emerging stars throughout the induction weekend. The ACBHOF Induction Weekend commences at **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City** on Friday September 29th with the "Opening Bell" **VIP Cocktail Reception** 5:00pm – 8:00pm, and **Friday Night Fights** at Bally's Atlantic City and **Saturday September 30th, Fight Fan Experience & Boxing Exhibits** at **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City** 11:00am – 1:00pm: This event is open to Public.

The Highlight of the weekend is **Saturday September 30th, red-carpet formal Awards & Induction Ceremony** which takes place inside **Sound Waves Theater** at **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City** in an **award show atmosphere**. Join us as we honor all who helped make Atlantic City a worldwide boxing

Mecca. Attendees will enjoy the opportunity to mix and mingle with boxing royalty and special VIP guests. Pre VIP Cocktail Reception: 5:00pm – 6:30pm and Official **Awards & Induction Program** 7:00pm – 9:00pm and Post VIP Reception to follow immediately after the Awards Ceremony.

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Woodside, Vice President of Entertainment and Marketing Services at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City. “This impressive group of inductees has strong ties to Atlantic City, including George Foreman who fought his last professional fight here at Etess Arena against fellow inductee Shannon Briggs.”

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“Atlantic City is where I started my humble boxing career. Atlantic City showed me love and will always have a place in my heart. I’m honored to be inducted into the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame 2023 Class.” – **David Tua**

“I’m really excited about being inducted into the Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame. It shows dreams really do come true. ‘Let’s Go Champ’ – **Shannon Briggs**

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“The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame family is super excited to celebrate the newest members of the Hall of Fame. We can’t wait to have boxing enthusiasts both far and near relieve some of their greatest memories of Atlantic City’s legendary fights and fighters. And there’s no better place to celebrate this year’s class than right here at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City, a global entertainment brand.” – **Ray McCline**, ACBHOF President

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ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (January 12, 2023) – Today the **Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame (ACBHOF)**, announced the twenty (24) Honorees selected for Induction into its Hall of Fame: the 7th Annual Awards & Induction Weekend will be held **Friday September 29th**, through **Sunday October 1st, 2023**, at **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City**

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Feldman{Trainer & Manager}

PIONEERS: Horace M. Leeds {Fighter}, Joe Miller {Promoter}, Rocky Castellani {Fighter/ Official}, “KO” Becky O’Niell {Manager}, Willie O’Niell {Trainer} and Frankie Polo {Fighter}

“We are extremely excited about this newest class of inductees selected for the “2023” Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame, and very much looking forward to honoring this esteemed group of individuals who have helped make Atlantic City a recognized boxing Mecca known around the world.” – **Ray McCline**, ACBHOF President & Founder

The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame Awards & Induction Weekend will offer boxing enthusiasts a weekend full of excellent programming, including a VIP cocktail reception, meet & greets with the legends, and a fight fan experience that features spectacular artwork, exhibits, and boxing memorabilia. The highlight of the weekend is our Induction red-carpet ceremony which takes place in an award-show atmosphere.

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VIDEO: 2022 Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

**AUDIO: Undefeated
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Talks about Being at The
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Kendall Holt Talks about
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