

ATLANTIC CITY BOXING HALL OF FAME TEAMS UP WITH HARD 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.

The 2023 class members include:

George Foreman, David Tua, Shannon Briggs, 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 and Posthumously & Pioneers: Buster Drayton, Marty Feldman, Rocky Castellani, Frankie Polo, Joe Miller, Horace M. Leeds, “K0” Becky O’Neill and Willie O’Neill

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