# 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, redcarpet 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, "KO" Becky O'Neill and Willie O'Neill

Please visit our website for event tickets, room reservations and full weekend schedule and itinerary by visiting us at: <u>www.acbhof.com</u>

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### Former World Champion Tevin Farmer Takes on Avery Sparrow This Saturday Night at The 2300 Arena in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (June 20, 2023- THIS SATURDAY NIGHT, Former IBF Junior Lightweight World Champion Tevin Farmer returns to action when he takes on Avery Sparrow in a mouth watering 10-round lightweight bout at the 2300 Arena in Philadelphia.

The card is promoted by Hard Hitting Promotions.

Farmer of Philadelphia, 30-5-1 with six knockouts, will be making his first appearance in nearly three and a half years. The 32-y ear-old won the IBF Junior Lightweight title with a 12-round unanimous decision over Billy Dib on August 3, 2018 in New South Wales, Australia. Farmer made four successful defenses of the crown with wins over James Tennyson (22-2), Francisco Fonesca (22-1-1), Jono Carrol (16-0-1) Guillaume Frenois (46-1-1). Farmer dropped the belt to Joseph Diaz Jr. on January 30, 2020 in Miami. Farmer also has wins over Angelo Ward (1-0), Tim Witherspoon Jr. (6-1-1), Tyrone Luckey (4-1-1), Camilo Perez (9-0), Noel Echevarria (11-1), Emanuel Gonzalez (14-0), Viktor Chernous (15-1-1), Angelo Luna (10-0-1), Daulis Prexott (30-2), former world champion Gamaliel Diaz, Ivan Redkach (19-1), and Darden Zenunaj (12-2).

Sparrow of Philadelphia is 11-4 with four knockouts. The tough 29 year-old who will fight anybody at any time has wins over Anthony Burgin (10-2), Israel Henriquez (6-0), Joey Laviolette (6-0), Jose Lopez (19-1-1), former world title challenger Hank Lundy (29-7-1) and Matt Conway (20-2). Sparrow dropped his last bout to William Foster III on July 23, 2022 in Philadelphia.

On the undercard in six-round bouts, Dezmond Lucas (6-1, 3KOs) of Bronx, NY fights Elijah Vines (5-0, 5 KOs) of Philadelphia in a super welterweight bout.

Romuel Cruz (8-0-1, 3 KOs) of Philadelphia fights Jenn Gonzalez (9-19-1, 5 KOs) of Santa Teraza, Nicaragua in a featherweight contest.

Derrick Webster (29-4, 14 KOs) of Glassboro, NJ fights an opponent to be named in a super middleweight contest.

In four-round bouts:

Gustavo Morales (1-0, 1 KO) of Allentown, PA battles Najee Belcher (0-2) of Las Vegas in a welterweight contest.

Luis Gonzalez Colon (5-1, 4 KOs) of Aibomito, Puerto Rico faces off against Efrain Cruz (4-6-1, 1 KO) of Viequez, Puerto Rico in a super lightweight bout.

Trinidad Vargas (2-0, 1 KO) of Grand Prairie, Texas boxes Artimus Sartor (4-3, 1 KO) of Cincinnati, Ohio in a bantamweight fight. Ticket prices are. \$200 VIP, \$100 ringside, \$75 preferred and \$60 GA and can be purchased at the following Link:

https://2300arena.showare.com/eventperformances.asp?evt=97

# Joshafat Ortiz Remains Undefeated With Unanimous Decision Over Lozano in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (September 23, 2022)-Junior Lightweight **Joshafat Ortiz** remained undefeated with a Six-round unanimous decision over Mario Ezequiel Sayal Lozano in the featured bout at The Fillmore Philadelphia.

The Friday night card was promoted by Hard Hitting Promotions, with the Ortiz – Lozano fight being co-promoted by DiBella Entertainment.

Ortiz of Reading, PA won by shutout tallies of 60-54 on all cards and is now 11-0. Lozano is 18-9-1.

Hard Hitting Promotions junior welterweight **Jan Carlos Rivera** stopped Gonzalo Carlos Dallera in round two of their scheduled six-round affair.

In round two, Rivera dropped Dallera with a body shot. Rivera scored another knockdown when he landed a hard right hook. Dallera got to his feet, nut was deemed unable to continue at 2:58.

Rivera of Philadelphia is 7-1 with five knockouts. Dallera is

10-18.

Recent Hard Hitting Promotions signee **LeAnna Cruz** remained undefeated with a four-round unanimous decision over Lillian Almarez in a super flyweight bout.

Cruz of Allentown, PA won by scores of 39-37 on all cards and is now 3-0.

**Carlos Ramos** won a six-round unanimous decision over veteran Diuhl Olguin in a junior lightweight bout.

Ramos of Spain was able to drop Olguin in the opening frame, and cruised home to a victory by scores of 59-54 on all cards and is now 16-2. Olguin is 15-26-5.

**Jeffrey Villanueva** stopped Jose Torres in round one of their four-round bantamweight fight.

Villanueva was able to land some hard combinations that put Torres down, and the bout was stopped at 2:44.

Villanueva of Allentown, PA is now 2-0 with one knockout. Torres is 0-2.

**John Leonardo** won a six-round unanimous decision over Pedro Hernandez in a super featherweight bout.

Leonardo of Englishtown, NJ won by scores of 60-54 and is now 8-1-1. Hernandez is 7-13-1.

**Axl Melendez Salgado** remained undefeated with a second round stoppage over Abdiel Padilla Burgos in a welterweight bout.

Salgado scored two knockdowns, with the latter forcing a corner stoppage at 2:10.

Salgado of Ceiba, Puerto Rico is 4-0 with three knockouts. Burgos falls to 1-4.

#### Weights from Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (September 15, 2022)—Weights for Friday night's Hard Hitting Promotions show at the Fillmore.

Joshafat Ortiz 129.8 – Mario Ezequiel Sayal Lozano 132.3

Jan Carlos Rivera 142.9 – Ganzalo Carlos Dallera 145

John Leonardo 127.5 – Pedro Hernandez 127.2

Carlos Ramos 131.1 – Diuhl Olguin 130.1

Jeffrey Villanueva 117.9 – Jose Torres 119.8

LeAnna Cruz 113.9 – Lillian Almarez 114.4

Abdiel Padilla 142.1 – Axl Malendez Salgado 149.3

Promoter: Hard Hitting Promotions (Ortiz vs Lozano is in Association w/DiBella Entertainment)

Venue: The Fillmore

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Tickets for this great night of boxing ate \$60, \$75, \$100 and \$175 and can be purchased at <u>BY CLICKING HERE</u>

#### Jeremy Cuevas Headlines at

### The Fillmore Philadelphia on Friday Night, September 16th

PHILADELPHIA (August 22, 2022)—Junior Welterweight **Jeremy Cuevas** will headline a big night of professional boxing on **Friday night, September 16th** at **The Fillmore Philadelphia**.

The card is promoted by Hard Hitting Promotions.

Cuevas of Philadelphia, has a record of 14-1 with 10 knockouts. The 26 year-old is a six-year professional, and is coming off a six-round unanimous decision over Nicolas Demario on July 23rd at The Fillmore Philadelphia.

Cuevas' opponent in the eight-round main event will be announced shortly.

Seeing action in a eight-round co-feature will be undefeated lightweight **Joshafat Ortiz**.

Ortiz of Reading, Pennsylvania, has a record of 10-0 with five knockouts. The 26 year-old Ortiz is a five-year professional. Ortiz has a win over previously undefeated Javier Oquendo (3-0) as well as a win over Erickson Vargas Rudecindo (4-1). He is coming off a unanimous decision over Derrick Murray on April 15th in Detroit.

**Jan Carlos Rivera** (6-1, 4 KOs) of Philadelphia will compete in a six-round bout.

Seeing action in four-round bouts will be bantamweight **Jeffrey Villanueva** (1-0) of Allentown, Pa; super flyweight **LeAnna Cruz** (2-0) of Bethlehem, PA; super flyweight **Juan Gutierrez** (0-2) of Esteil, Nicaragaua.

Opponents and more fights will be announced shortly.

Tickets for this great night of boxing ate \$60, \$75, \$100 and

### VIDEO: Promoter Manny Rivera talks about July 23rd Hard Hitting Promotions show

# AUDIO: Jan Carlos Rivera Talks about fight with Undefeated Nelson Perez

#### Weights from Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (July 22, 2022)—Weights for Saturday Night's Hard Hitting Promotions card at The Fillmore Philadelphia

Avery Sparrow 129.1 - William Foster III 128.7

Christian Tapia 131.5 – Mario Sayal Lozano 132

Jan Carlos Rivera 130.8. – Nelson Perez 140.4 Jeremy Cuevas 144 – Nicolas Pablo Damario 143 Deazmond Lucas 151 – Daniel Sostre 155.2 Carlos Rosario 136.9 – Jonuel Hernandez Ramoas 136 Juan Davilla 137.5 – Joshua Maldonado 1 Promoter: Hard Hitting Promotions Venue: Fillmore Philadelphia 1st Bell: 7 PM ET Stream: BXNGTV.com

### Hard Hitting Promotions Full Card Set For Saturday Night at The Fillmore Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (July 22, 2022)—The Full seven bout card has been set for this **Saturday night** at **The Fillmore Philadelphia** that will pit **Avery Sparrow** (11-3, 4 KOs) and **William Foster III** (14-0, 9 KOs) in the eight-round super featherweight main event.

The fight card is promoted by Hard Hitting Promotions

The Sparrow – Foster bout has been deemed one the best main events in recent times in the fighting city of Philadelphia.

In the eight-round co-feature, **Christian Tapia** (14-0, 12 KO's) of Coamo, Puerto Rico battles **Fernando Romero** (11-0, 10 KOs)

of Mexico in a super featherweight contest.

In Six-round bouts:

Jan Carlos Rivera (5-1, 4 KOs) of Philadelphia fights Nelson Perez (5-0, 2 KOs) of Marlboro, Massachusetts.

Jeremy Cuevas (13-1, 10 KOs) of Philadelphia takes on Nicolas Demario (16-6, 10 KOs) of Buenos Aires, Argentina

In Four-round Bouts:

**Dezmond Lucas** (5-1, 2 KOs) fights **Daniel Sostre** (13-20-1, 5 KOs) of Puerto Rico in a welterweight contest.

**Juan Davilla** of Philadelphia will make his pro debut against **Joshua Maldonado** (1-1) of Vega Alta, Puerto Rico in a lightweight tussle.

**Carlos Rosario** (3-0, 2 KOs) of Winter Haven, Florida will square off with pro debuting **Jonuel Ramos** of Vega Alta, Puerto Rico in a lightweight fight.

**FRIDAY**...At the Wyndham Garden Philadelphia (45 Industrial Highway, Essington, PA) The Press Conference and weigh-in will take place for one of the most anticipated fight cards to take place in Philadelphia in recent memory.

Tickets for the July 23rd fight card are now on sale for \$60, \$75, \$100 and \$175 and can be purchased at The Fillmore Philadelphia, <u>www.filmorephilly.com</u> Hard Hitting Promotions Social Media and <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>