Unbeaten Prospect Miguel Cruz Drops Alex Martin Twice On His Way to Unanimous Decision in Main Event of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 & BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday Night From Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 28, 2017) – Miguel Cruz (16-0, 11 KOs) earned a unanimous decision to defeat Alex Martin (13-2, 5 KOs) and remained unbeaten in a welterweight rematch that headlined Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday night from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

After winning a split-decision against Martin in their January showdown, Cruz kept his perfect record intact by scoring two knockdowns before getting the decision in their 10-round matchup.

"I honestly didn't feel great in our first fight and when I re-watched it, I thought Martin won," said Cruz. "That made me train ever harder than ever to prove that I have the skills and power to compete at the world class level, and I think I did that tonight." Cruz got off to a fast start by landing a huge left hook that caught Martin and dropped him late in the first round. Martin was able to get to his feet and recover just before the bell sounded to end the round.

Martin kept trying to work on the inside but Cruz was determined to push back and consistently landed with big power shots. Another left hook in round four sent Martin to the mat again, although he appeared less effected than during the first knockdown.

"I was fighting his fight tonight," said Martin. "I just didn't put on my best performance. The first knockdown was a real knockdown but the second knockdown he hit me in the back of the head."

Round five saw Martin begin to box more effectively, landing several right hands before a left hook landed low, sending Cruz to the canvas and causing referee Gary Rosato to halt the bout while Cruz recovered.

When the action resumed Martin continued to turn the tide of the fight. His movement was very effective and his success with the left hand was consistent throughout rounds five through eight.

"Martin was super tough," said Cruz. "I didn't think he would make it out of the second round but he definitely gave me problems. I was trying to stop him."

Down on the scorecards because of the early knockdowns, Martin's comeback effort came up short as Cruz was able to hold Martin off in the final two rounds on his way to earning the decision in the eyes of all three judges by the score of 96-92.

"I knew I was getting back into the fight but I'm not making any excuses tonight," said Martin. "He won the fight fair and square, congratulations to him." "I trained for Martin like he was the champion of the world and that's how I'm going to train for every fight of my career," said Cruz. "It was a tremendous fight, I'm glad I got the victory. I just want to go back to Puerto Rico and celebrate my birthday tomorrow."

Additional televised action saw Clarence Booth (15-3, 8 KOs) stop Puerto Rico's Anthony Mercado (10-3, 9 KOs) in the fourth round of their welterweight contest.

The taller Mercado had success early in the fight while Booth tried to work his way inside and attack the body. Mercado landed a pair of clean right hands in each of the first two rounds that appeared to daze Booth.

"He was a tough fighter," said Booth. "I needed to get loose for the first couple rounds. I was tense in the beginning."

Fighting out of St. Petersburg, Florida, Booth was able to weather the storm in the first two rounds and began to turn the tide in round three with a clean right hand that staggered Mercado.

Booth kept the momentum going and quickly put Mercado on the canvas with a pair of right hands in the fourth round. Mercado was able to get to his feet but eventually Booth broke through again and stunned Mercado with more right hands. The final flurry prompted referee Eric Dali to call a halt to the bout 1:30 into the fourth frame.

"I had a couple of tough losses, but now I am on a major comeback," said Booth. "I'm so happy to have this opportunity on television and I made the best of it. My promoter Marshall Kauffman and King's Promotions will get me great opportunities in the future."

"He hit me with a good shot," said Mercado. "He jabbed and came with a right hand that I didn't see coming. I will be back even better." In Non-televised action:

Nicholas Hernandez won a six-round majority decision over Grayson Blake in a junior middleweight bout.

Hernandez, 154 lbs of Lebanon, PA won by scores of 59-55, 58-56 and 57-57, and is now 7-2. Blake, 153.4 lbs of State College, PA is 6-5-1.

Jesus Lule scored a 2nd round stoppage over Ismael Serrano in a scheduled four round lightweight bout.

Lule swarmed Serrano and landed a flurry of punches, and the fight was stopped at 2:10.

Lule, 135.7 lbs of Fort Myers, FL is now 11-22-1 with two knockouts. Serrano, 134.5 lbs of Bethlehem, PA is 4-2.

In a featherweight slugfest that was taped for broadcast, Avery Sparrow was able to outlast Isaelin Florian via sixround unanimous decision.

Sparrow decked Florian in round when he landed a hard overhand right and followed it up with two more hard rights. Florian came right back and dropped Sparrow with a left. Early in round two, Sparrow registered a 2nd knockdown when he landed another straight right hand.

Florian fought much of the 2nd half of the fight with an injured left arm, and that hampered him both offensively and defensively as Sparrow was able to hit Florian with regularity.

In round four, Florian drilled Sparrow with an overhand left that sent him to the canvas for a 2nd time.

Sparrow, 127.6 lbs of Philadelphia, took all cards by 58-54 scores, and is now 7-1. Florian, 126.2 lbs of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic loses for the first time, and is now 6-1.

In a battle of Allentown based super lightweights, Jesus Perez won a four round unanimous decision over Christian Molina.

In round one, Perez floored Molina with a right hand. Later in the round, Perez connected with three flush right hands.

Perez, 141 lbs won all cards by 39-37 tallies, and is mow 3-0. Molina, 138.9 lbs is 4-3.

Rick Pyle won a four round unanimous decision over Devin McMaster in a middleweight bout.

Pyle, 150 lbs of Harrisburg, PA won all cards by 40-36 scores, and is now 1-0. McMaster, 156 lbs of Allentown, PA is 1-2.

Dylan Price obliterated Manuel Guerra in round one of their scheduled four round super flyweight bout,

Price drilled Guerra with a perfect right hand that sent him down for the ten count at 1:09.

Price, 117 lbs of Sicklerville, NJ is 3-0 with three knockouts. Guerra, 112 lbs of Reynosa, MX is 1-3-1.

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# Video: Miguel Cruz – Alex Martin 2 weigh in

# Isaelin Florian vs Avery Sparrow plus Clarence Booth vs Anthony Mercado highlight undercard This Tuesday night at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 26, 2017) – A packed undercard that will feature Isaelin Florian taking on Avery Sparrow in a six-round featherweight bout plus super lightweights Clarance Booth battling Anthony Mercado will take place this Tuesday, June 27th at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center

Unbeaten Miguel Cruz (15-0, 11 KOs) and once-beaten Alex Martin (13-1, 5 KOs) will meet in a 10-round welterweight rematch of their January clash in the main event of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT and will feature a pair of once-beaten welterweights battling it out as Jamal James (20-1, 9 KOs) meets Samuel Figueroa (11-1, 4 KOs) in a 10-round matchup.

Florian (6-0, 3 KO's) of the Reading, PA will be making his United States debut against the battle tested Sparrow (6-1, 3 KO's) of Philadelphia.

Sparrow, 23 years-old is coming off a eight-round split decision over Anthony Burgin (10-2) on March 10th in Philadelphia.

Booth of St. Petersburg, Florida has a record of 14-3 with seven knockouts. The 29 year-old Booth is an eight year professional and has racked up wins over Marcus Powell (1-0), Jonathan Perez (5-0) & Osenohan Vazquez (8-2-1). Booth is coming off a defeat to number-1 ranked Sergey Lipinets on March 4 in Brooklyn, NY.

Mercado of Arecibo, Puerto Rico is 10-2 with nine knockouts. The 22 year-old is a five year pro who is looking to get back in the win column after suffering his 2nd consecutive defeat, which was a split decision to Ryan Pino on July 16, 2016 in Puerto Rico.

In six-round bouts:

Nicholas Hernandez (6-2,1 KO) of Lebanon, PA will take on Grayson Blake (6-4-1, 2 KO's) of State College, PA in a junior middleweight bout.

In four-round bouts:

Jesus Perez (2-0, 1 KO) will tangle with Christian Molina (4-2, 3 KO's) in a battle of Allentown based super lightweight's.

Isamel Serrano (4-1, 1 KO) of Bethlehem, PA will fight Jesus Lule (10-22-1, 1 KO) of Fort Myers, FL in a lightweight fight. Devin McMaster (1-1) of Allentown, PA will fight debuting Rick Pyle of Harrisburg, PA in a junior middleweight fight. Dyaln Price (2-0, 2 KO's) of Sicklerville, NJ will fight Manuel Guerra of Renosa, Mexico in a super flyweight bout. MIGUEL CRUZ vs. ALEX MARTIN FIGHT WEEK MEDIA SCHEDULE \*All Times Are Eastern\* Monday, June 26 6:00 p.m. OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! Location: Berks Room (Located inside Sands Bethlehem Events Center) 77 Sands Blvd.; Bethlehem, PA 18015 5:30 p.m. – Media Arrival 6:00 p.m. – Fighters to scales Tuesday, June 27 6:00 p.m. SANDS BETHLEHEM EVENTS CENTER DOORS OPEN Location: 77 Sands Blvd.; Bethlehem, PA 18015 6:30 p.m. FIRST BOUT BEGINS 9:00 p.m. FS1 & FOX DEPORTES BROADCAST BEGINS CREDENTIAL DISTRIBUTION Fight night credentials can be picked up on Tuesday, June 27 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Backstage Entrance. Proper personal photo ID (Driver's license or passport) is required for credential pick-up.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$50, \$75 and \$100, not including applicable service charges and taxes and are on sale now. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge by

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# Rematch Between Welterweight Prospects Miguel Cruz & Alex Martin Headlines Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 & BOXEO DE

# CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, June 27 From Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 7, 2017) – Unbeaten Miguel Cruz (15-0, 11 KOs) and once-beaten Alex Martin (13-1, 5 KOs) will meet in a 10-round welterweight rematch of their January clash on Tuesday, June 27 in the main event of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT and will feature a pair of once-beaten welterweights battling it out as Jamal James (20-1, 9 KOs) meets Samuel Figueroa (11-1, 4 KOs) in a 10-round matchup.

Cruz and Martin first clashed on a PBC card this January, with both men looking to bolster their perfect records at the time. It was a matchup featuring two distinct styles as the lankier orthodox Cruz favored using power punches throughout the fight while the southpaw Martin tried to box and ride his speed and jab to victory. The young welterweights delivered consistent exciting exchanges before the decision went to the judges, who delivered a split decision with one judging scoring the fight for Martin and two favoring the work of Cruz.

"I won the first fight between us and I'm here to prove that," said Cruz. "I will be victorious again and this time everyone will be able to do it. I'm going to get the win in even more convincing fashion. I'm looking forward to this fight and I'm not planning on letting it go the distance."

"This fight will not go the distance," said Martin. "It will end early. He is not as good as his record says. Everyone who has seen the first fight knows it was a bad decision. I think even he knows he lost. I will make a more emphatic statement this fight. I will do in this fight what I should have done last night."

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Born in Aguada, Puerto Rico and now residing in Lake Mary, Florida, the 26-year-old Cruz was a member of the Puerto Rico National Team as an amateur. He turned pro in 2012 and picked up five victories in 2015 as he ended fights with Virgil Green, Daniel Rodriguez, Eli Addison, Juan Rodriguez, Travis Hartman and Anthony Abbruzzese inside the distance. Cruz also earned a decision victory over previously unbeaten Samuel Figueroa in their May 2016 showdown before his triumph over Martin in January.

A highly-regarded amateur fighter out of Chicago, Martin was a 2012 Olympic alternate in addition to earning multiple National Golden Gloves titles and boasting a 340-10 record. The 27-year-old turned pro in April 2013 and stopped his first five opponents inside of the distance. Martin picked up two victories in 2016 beating experienced opponents Juan Carlos Abreu and Rosemberg Gomez before facing Cruz to start 2017.

A tall welterweight at 6'2", James looks to bounce back after a decision loss to Yordenis Ugas last August in which the 28year-old accepted the fight on less than a week's notice. Fighting out of Minneapolis, Minnesota, James was unbeaten in his first 20 fights as a pro including impressive victories over Javier Molina and Wale Omotoso to begin his 2016 campaign.

Representing Anasco, Puerto Rico, Figueroa defeated previously

once-beaten Ismat Eynullayev in March to get back in the win column after losing a narrow split-decision to the unbeaten Cruz last May. The 26-year-old won his first 10 professional fights including decisions over previously unbeaten fighters Javontae Starks and Fernando Paliza in 2015.

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# Undefeated Contender Kanat Islam Stops Colombia's Juan De Angel in Main Event of

# Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round On Bounce TV From The Lakeland Center In Lakeland, Florida

LAKELAND, FLORIDA (May 9, 2016) — Undefeated contender Kanat Islam (21-0, 18 KOs) stopped Colombia's Juan De Angel (18-4-1, 17 KOs) in the sixth round of Sunday night's main event on Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round on Bounce TV from the Lakeland Center in Lakeland, Florida.

The rising 154-pounder from Kazakhstan stopped his ninth straight opponent inside the distance when De Angel fell to the canvas twice in round six prompting referee Telis Assimenios to halt the bout 22 seconds into the round.

De Angel appeared to succumb to an ankle injury while taking a step backward that forced him to drop to the canvas. Islam sensed his moment and pounced on the injured brawler to put an end to the bout quickly.

A 2008 Olympic Bronze medalist, Islam was able to navigate around the four-inch reach advantage owned by De Angel and control the fight with his athleticism and powerful right hand. His first headlining appearance was a successful one as he looks to continue to climb the ladder towards a world title.

The co-main event of the evening saw Miguel Cruz (13-0, 11 KOs) take home a split decision victory over Samuel Figueroa (10-1, 4 KOs) in an eight-round back-and-forth battle of unbeaten prospects.

The friends turned rivals brought the action from the beginning as the smaller southpaw Figueroa aggressively

attacked the body of Cruz in early exchanges. Cruz's timing improved as the fight went on and his combinations began to land and stunt the attack of Figueroa.

Some of the best back-and-forth action came in round six as both fighters had found their way through the opponent's defense. Cruz used his length to beat Figueroa to the punch, but Figueroa continued to throw punches and do plenty of damage throughout the heated final stanzas.

In a fight that appeared to be an even affair, the judges scores were 77-75 for Figueroa and 78-74 and 77-75 for Cruz to give him the split decision.

In the opening bout of the telecast, super featherweight Dennis Galarza (13-1, 8 KOs) won his eighth straight fight as he defeated durable Mexican Yardley Suarez (15-4, 9 KOs) over eight hard fought rounds.

Galarza used his length advantage to break Suarez down with his jab and penetrate his defense with various combinations. The Brooklyn-born fighter now training out of Orlando dominated the first half of the fight on his way to the unanimous decision.

Suarez began to pick up the action in the second half of the fight landing several hard punches and challenging Galarza to exchange in the middle of the ring in round five. He landed perhaps the best combination of the fight in round six with a pair of punches that sent Galarza into retreat mode for the remainder of the round.

Overall it was Galarza's output that proved to be the biggest difference as he threw 421 punches to Suarez's 305 on his way to a 117-99 advantage in punches landed. The judges' scores were 77-75 and 78-74 twice for Galarza.

Here is what the fighters had to say Sunday night:

KANAT ISLAM

"It felt good to go to (six) rounds to get the win. My last few opponents didn't put up a fight and challenge me. My team wanted to test me and everything went to plan for what I wanted to do in the ring.

"I boxed, I used my feet, I moved in and out, I set up my power punches and I was able to finish him off. I hope he's OK, I know it's hard to fight with an injury. I hope he recovers soon.

"I saw he was beginning to get tired around round four and knew I had him hurt. That's when I started hitting him with harder punches. I did the work I wanted to do, and then I wanted to finish him.

"There were a lot of fans from the Kazakhstan community here, a lot of fans who traveled from far places to see me fight. That meant a lot to me. I wanted to make sure they got to see everything I can do in the ring. Now I want them to see me win a world title this year.

"I feel like I can come back tomorrow. I don't want any longer breaks in my career. I want big fights. Who are the champions? That is who I want to fight."

#### MIGUEL CRUZ

"I know that I won the fight in the end, but it was a hard fight, a very tough fight. I was landing the cleaner shots but there were times where he was putting the pressure on me. He hurt me with body shots and he actually managed to hurt me in the last round with a right hook. I recognized when he hurt me and I hit him and hurt him right back. I had him hurt a couple of times.

"I knew he was a tough guy from when we fought in the amateurs and from when we sparred together. He made me bring something out of me that I didn't even know I had and I appreciate him for that.

"This was the toughest fight of my career. Right now, I want to rest and relax, but within the next 2-3 months I'll start looking at the guys that can get me closer to a world title.

"The fight's over, we can absolutely go back to being friends. It's business. They told us we had to fight each other. We're better fighters for it and now it's over and back to the way it was between us as far as I'm concerned."

#### SAMUEL FIGUEROA

"I didn't think Miguel won the fight but that's how the judges seen that. I don't know how, but I can't do anything about that. The first rounds I hit him clear in the face, Miguel only caught me with a couple of clean shots but I was catching a lot of his punches with my hands and elbows. I don't know how I lost this fight.

"I love fighting unbeaten opponents. I train with champions in the gym, I have the resources to get me ready for these fights.

"Yes of course we go back to being friends. Nothing personal. He's my friend. We're cool."

#### DENNIS GALARZA

"It felt good to go eight rounds. I didn't mind going rounds, although I wanted to take him out. He was throwing a lot of wild shots just looking to catch me with a lucky blow. He caught me with some good shots but he never had me hurt. I train with southpaws all the time and was ready for anything Yardley Suarez had to offer.

"I want to come back as soon as possible. Whatever my team has in store for me, I'll be ready."

#### YARDLEY SUAREZ

"I had him hurt but feel like I let the opportunity get away from me. I wasn't busy enough; I need to let my hands go more. My corner told me that I needed a knockout to win. I went for it, but I couldn't slow him down and land enough punches.

"I want to stay on this level, I could have done more but know that I can compete with the best."

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## Back with Marshall Kauffman, Featherweight Dat Nguyen has title aspirations

LAKELAND, FLA. (May 8, 2016) — TONIGHT in Lakeland, Florida, featherweight Dat Nguyen returns to the ring after a 31-month layoff when he takes on Gustavo Molina (22-10, 9 K0's)

In the main event, unbeaten super welterweight and Olympic Bronze medalist Kanat Islam (20-0, 17 KOs) will take on Colombian brawler Juan De Angel (18-3-1, 17 KOs) in the 10round main event of Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round on Bounce TV taking place Sunday, May 8 from Lakeland Events Center in Lakeland, Florida.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$100, \$75 and \$50 and are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.thelakelandcenter.com or by calling 888-397-0100 and from the Lakeland Center Box Office by calling 863-834-8111 or visiting between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/PT and features a pair of exciting undercard battles as unbeaten prospects Miguel Cruz (12-0, 11 KOs) and Samuel Figueroa (10-0, 4 KOs) compete in an eight-round super welterweight showdown while featherweight prospect Dennis Galarza (12-1, 8 KOs) faces Mexico's Yardley Suarez (15-3, 9 KOs) in an eight-round bout.

Nguyen of Vero Beach, Florida hasn't had the typical layoff of getting out of shape and thinking about missed opportunities.

"I have been training the whole time. I own a gym here in Vero Beach and I have been training people for the past six years, so I have been in shape. Sure it is not professional competition but I am able to stay busy and am ready for the fight on Sunday," said Nguyen. "I haven;t fought in a while, but I have no fear of ring rust. I been sparring and going through boxing techniques the whole time."

Nguyen was cruising along as a heralded prospect at 11-0 before losing a split decision to Gregorio Torres. Nguyen then won six straight before dropping back to back fights to Luis Del Valle and future world title challenger Jayson Velez.

"The first loss was a bad decision. The second loss, I was so winded after five rounds that I don't know what happened. The third loss to Velez, I also thought that I won that fight. I just think under better circumstances that I would have won those fights. I know a lot of good stuff was said about me on the way up and I still think that I am championship material. I just have not had that opportunity."

To gain that opportunity, Nguyen turned to the man, who turned him professional twelve years ago in King's Promotions Marshall Kauffman.

"Marshall is a father figure to me. He trained me in 2004 and twelve years later I am back with him. I have learned the business and now I am with a good promoter. If I would have stayed with Marshall, I would be world champion. I have the skills and Marshall knows boxing. Now that I am back with him, he will get me that opportunity. I live a clean and healthy life and now it is time that I reach my potential as a boxer."

Also on the card:

In an eight-round bout, Alantez Fox (18-0, 7 KO's) of Forestville, MD takes on Milton Nunez (35-15-1, 29 KO's) of Barranquilla, COL in a middleweight bout. In four-round bouts:

Antonio Tarver Jr. (3-0, 2 KO's) of Tampa, FL will fight Jose Cortez (1-1) of West Palm Beach, FL in a middleweight bout.

In a junior welterweight battle, Nestor Bravo (5-0, 5 KO's) fights Daniel Lorenzano (4-7-1, 2 KO's) of Miami, FL.

Efrain Cruz (4-0-1, 1 KO) of Vieques, PR will fight Irvin Hernandez (3-14-2, 1 KO) of Caguas, PR in a junior welterweight bout.

Botirsher Obdidov (4-0-1, 1 KO) of Kissimmee, FL take on Hakeem Atkinson (2-2, 2 KO's) of Atlanta, GA in a super middleweight bout.

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# Unbeaten Super Welterweight Kanat Islam Battles Colombia's Juan De Angel in Main Event of Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round On Bounce TV On Sunday, May 8 From Lakeland Events Center in Lakeland, Florida

LAKELAND, FLA. (April 26, 2016) – Unbeaten super welterweight and Olympic Bronze medalist Kanat Islam (20-0, 17 KOs) will take on Colombian brawler Juan De Angel (18-3-1, 17 KOs) in the 10-round main event of Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round on Bounce TV taking place Sunday, May 8 from Lakeland Events Center in Lakeland, Florida.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/PT and features a pair of exciting undercard battles as unbeaten prospects Miguel Cruz (12-0, 11 KOs) and Samuel Figueroa (10-0, 4 KOs) compete in an eight-round super welterweight showdown while featherweight prospect Dennis Galarza (12-1, 8 KOs) faces Mexico's Yardley Suarez (15-3, 9 KOs) in an eight-round bout.

"I am very happy about this fight and I'm training very hard for the opportunity," said Islam. "I am ready to fight. He is a good opponent but I have everything I need to win. I've waited a long time for this chance and I'm going to put on a show. The people of Kazakhstan will get a great performance from me."

"I'm looking to com win and win this fight" said De Angel. "I know my opponent is tough and I have trained very hard for this fight. I am going to give him his first loss and make a big statement. I'm thankful for the opportunity and I will take advantage of it."

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$100, \$75 and \$50 and are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.thelakelandcenter.com or by calling 888-397-0100 and from the Lakeland Center Box Office by calling 863-834-8111 or visiting between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"We are excited to bring this terrific show to Lakeland, Florida," said Marshall Kauffman of King's Promotions. "The main event should be an explosive one as the two fighters have a combined 34 knockouts in their 38 wins. It will be an early night for someone. The fans in Lakeland and watching on Bounce TV will see some of the best future contenders in the world."

A Chinese born boxer representing Kazakhstan, Islam now fights out of Pahokee, Florida and made his U.S. debut in Miami in November 2015 with a first round knockout of Jonathan Batista. The two-time Olympian won a Bronze medal in 2008 and eventually made his pro debut in 2012 with a knockout of Daniel Beato. The 31-year-old owns victories over Francisco Cordero, Fidel Monterrosa Munoz and Emilio Julio.

Fighting out of Baranquilla, Colombia De Angel will make his U.S. debut on May 8 in the main event. The 28-year-old has won his last nine fights including eight by way of stoppage. He's won 16 of his last 17 fights overall and most notably picked up a regional middleweight belt with a victory over Jose Pinzon in 2014.

Born in Aguada, Puerto Rico and now residing in Lake Mary,

Florida, the 25-year-old Cruz was a member of the Puerto Rico National Team as an amateur. He turned pro in 2012 and picked up five victories in 2015 as he ended fights with Virgil Green, Daniel Rodriguez, Eli Addison, Juan Rodriguez, Travis Hartman and Anthony Abbruzzese inside the distance.

A powerful Puerto Rican southpaw, Figueroa defeated fellow unbeaten Javontae Starks on Bounce TV in October 2015. The 25year-old turned pro in 2011 and will have another opportunity to take down an undefeated opponent on May 8.

Galarza is looking for his fourth straight victory in the state of Florida when he enters the ring on May 8. The 23year-old has fought professionally since 2013 and racked up five wins in 2015 before kicking off 2016 with a decision over Samuel Amoako in January.

A pro since 2013, the 21-year-old Suarez is coming off of a knockout victory over Charly Soto. The Sinaloa, Mexico-native will fight for the third time in the U.S. on May 8. Suarez picked up 11 victories between 2014 and 2015 including seven by knockout.

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## Omar Douglas Wins over Frank De Alba

BETHLEHEM, PA. (December 30, 2015) – Unbeaten Omar Douglas (16-0, 11 KOs) gritted out a 10-round majority decision over Frank De Alba (17-2-2, 6 KOs) on Tuesday night's edition of Premier Boxing Champions (PBC) TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes from Sands Bethlehem Event Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

Douglas started to turn up the heat up in round two as he landed two hard left hooks that stopped De Alba in his tracks. De Alba was able to gain confidence in round three, as he was able to counter effectively against Douglas.

Round five had the best two-way action of the first half of the fight with both guys digging deep to gain an advantage. Douglas seemed to get the better of the exchanges as he landed the harder combinations. Douglas began to take over the middle rounds and in round eight, a left hook rocked De Alba and put him in danger for this first time in the fight.

The two fought hard down the stretch and excited the crowd with Douglas winning in the end by majority decision by scores of 97-93, 96-94 and 95-95.

In the co-main event, Miguel Cruz (12-0, 11 KOs) remained perfect by scoring a seventh-round stoppage over Virgil Green (11-4, 3 KOs) in a scheduled eight-round welterweight battle.

Cruz was dominant throughout the fight and in round four he rocked Green with a left hook that had his opponent stumbling into the corner. In round seven, Cruz landed a perfect right and left hook that put Green down.

Sensing his moment, Cruz quickly finished the deal with two hard lefts that forced referee Benjy Esteves to stop the fight at 1:32 of round seven. Cruz's power punches proved to be most dangerous as he connected on 46 percent of them.

In the televised opener, Christopher Brooker (7-1, 5 KOs) worked hard and earned an eight-round unanimous decision over previously undefeated Leo Hall in a light heavyweight bout.

Brooker controlled most of the action and came out with a strong first round landing some solid punches in close on Hall. In round five, Brooker landed a solid combination that sent Hall back to the ropes and had him in trouble. He was far more accurate throughout the night, landing 49 percent of his total punches and 53 percent of his power punches.

In his strongest moment of the fight in round seven, Brooker landed a perfect right on the chin that drew a big reaction from crowd. The judges scored the fight 80-72 and 79-73 twice all for Brooker.

Here is what the fighters had to say Tuesday:

OMAR DOUGLAS

"I feel great. I got some great rounds. The judges might have made it a little bit closer than it really was. But I went into his hometown and did what I do.

"He was about as tough as my last fight. The only thing tougher than the last one was that I had to come here on the

#### road and do it.

"This builds me. It makes me a better fighter. I had a great opportunity tonight and I jumped on it. I feel like I'm the better fighter and tonight I proved it."

#### FRANK DE ALBA

"It was a very competitive fight. I think I landed more punches. He was more aggressive, but I was landing more.

"This is boxing. I just come here to put on a show for the great fans. I thought I won the fight. I knew I beat him inside."

#### MIGUEL CRUZ

"It was a great fight, he was a tough opponent who was very agile and mobile. I had to be patient and it was great to get those rounds. I'm coming for the 147-pound division.

"I was definitely trying to break him down slowly. He was mobile, but I didn't expect him to be so quick.

"I was hurting him every time I hit him and I finally got him out of there."

#### VIRGIL GREEN

"The hits to the back of the head were the problem. I wanted the ref to do something about it but that's what hurt me. I never recovered from it.

"I felt like I was frustrating him and out-boxing him. But I never recovered from that blow."

#### CHRISTOPHER BROOKER

"It was a good fight. He's a good boxer, but I had to keep it rough. He has some good experience that kicked in, but my will, my heart and my training kicked in too. "My loss is what got me motivated for this performance. No more setbacks, only get backs."

LEO HALL

"I tried to work, We were working in there. I wasn't surprised by anything. It was a good fight.

"I pushed myself. We got in there and fought. There's no excuses. We're going back to work."

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### Video: Miguel Cruz

# Undefeated Welterweigh Miguel Cruz battles Virgil Gree & Leo Hall takes on Dustin Craig Echard on PBC Toe-To-Toe Tuesdays on FS1 & Boxeo De Campeones on FOX Deportes

BETHLEHEM, PA. (December 23, 2015) – Undefeated welterweight prospect Miguel Cruz (11-0, 10 KOs) will face Virgil Green (11-4, 3 KOs) while unbeaten light heavyweight Leo Hall (8-0, 7 KOs) takes on Dustin Craig Echard (11-2, 8 KOs) in a pair of eight round bouts on Premier Boxing Champions (PBC) TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes on Tuesday, December 29.

Live coverage starts at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT from Sands Bethlehem Event Center and is headlined by undefeated super featherweight contender Omar "Super O" Douglas (15-0, 11 KOs) in a 10-round battle against Frank De Alba (17-1-2, 6 KOs).

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$100, \$75 and \$45, not including applicable service charges and taxes and are on sale now. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge by phone call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.

Additional action features undefeated 21-year-old prospect Kyrone Davis (9-0, 4 KOs) of Wilmington, Delaware in an eight round middleweight affair against Phoenix's Andrew Hernandez (10-2-1, 2 KOs), undefeated Philadelphia-born featherweight Stephen Fulton (7-0, 3 KOs) in a six round attraction and 19year-old Philadelphia-product Milton Santiago (12-0, 3 KOs) in an eight round welterweight showdown against Puerto Rico's Daniel Sostre (13-11-1, 5 KOs).

Also entering the ring is undefeated Brooklyn-born prospect Earl Newman (7-0, 6 KOs) in a six-round light heavyweight contest against Victor Kpadenou (10-8, 5 KOs) of Benin, undefeated featherweight Chris Colbert (3-0, 2 KOs) out of Brooklyn who battles Philadelphia's Derrick Bivins (2-3-2, 1 KO) in a six round fight and 27-year-old Denis Douglin (19-4, 12 KOs) out of Marlboro, New Jersey in an eight round super middleweight bout.

Round out the packed night of action is Pittsburgh's Justin Johnson (6-10-4) against Philadelphia's David Gonzalez (6-0-2, 1 KO) in a four round super lightweight fight, hard-hitting Ecuadorian super welterweight Eduardo Flores (23-18-3, 15 KOs) against Junior Castillo (8-0, 8 KOs) of Reading, Pennsylvania in a six round bout and Philadelphia's Jerome Conquest (3-1, 1 KO) in a six-round super lightweight battle against Christian Molina (4-1, 3 KOs) out of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Born in Aguada, Puerto Rico and now residing in Lake Mary, Florida, the 25-year-old Cruz was a member of the Puerto Rico National Team as an amateur. He turned pro in 2012 and owns five victories in 2015 as he ended fights with Daniel Rodriguez, Eli Addison, Juan Rodriguez, Travis Hartman and Anthony Abbruzzese inside the distance. He will take on the 27-year-old Green out of Vancouver, Washington. Green enters this bout on a three-fight winning streak and as the winner of six of his last seven bouts.

Undefeated at just 21-years-old, Hall looks to close out 2015 with five straight wins after knocking out Ricardo Campillo in October. The Detroit native turned pro in February 2014 by stopping Brand Larvadain. He will be opposed by the 29-yearold Echard out of West Virginia who owns a victory over Jason Pauley in 2015.

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