

# **Antowyan Aikens battles DeCarlo Perez for New Jersey State Super Middleweight Title in new main event on Saturday, September 8th at The Showboat Hotel in Atlantic City**

Atlantic City, NJ (August 22, 2018) – Glen Tapia has suffered a shoulder injury in training, thus elevating an “All-Atlantic City Battle” between super middleweight’s Antowyan Aikens and DeCarlo Perez to the eight-round main event on Saturday, September 8th at The Bourbon Room in The Showboat Hotel in Atlantic City.

The fight, which will be for the New Jersey State Super Middleweight title, will headline a card “Boardwalk Boxing: Round 3”, promoted by Rising Star Promotions

Aikens of Atlantic City has a record of 13-4-1 with one knockout. The 29 year-old Aikens won his first ten bouts. He has significant victories over undefeated Sherman Arits (2-0) & Amir Shabazz (4-0).

Aikens is riding a two-fight winning streak, as in his last bout he won a six-round unanimous decision over Rich Gringas on May 11th in Lincoln, Rhode Island.

This will be the eighth appearance in Atlantic City for Aikens.

“This fight to me is one of those fights that you dream about

but never expect it to happen,” said Aikens. “This fight will be one to talk about for many years to come and I’m looking forward to putting on a great show in my hometown in front of my family and friends. Words cannot express how happy and excited I am. I can’t wait to put on a great performance that night. I got a great team around me. I’m focused on the task at hand; I’m ready for anything they have to offer.”

“I’m ready for whatever comes September 8. My jab and superior boxing skills will lead me to what I’m killing myself in the gym for and that’s the NJ State Championship. I will not be denied that night. You will get the best iceman you ever seen and that’s a fact. I’m bringing all action that night, first fight at home in 3 years. I can’t do nothing but bring my A game. It’s been a long wait but its here and its now, I’m war ready”

Perez has a record of 16-6-1 with six knockouts.

The 27 year-old Perez is an eight-year professional.

Perez has quality wins over Shamone Alvarez (21-5), Dante Moore (8-0-2), Jamar Freeman (9-1-2), Marcus Willis (13-3-2), Tyrone Brunson (22-2-1), Jesse Nicklow (24-5-3), Juan Ubaldo Cabrerra (23-0) & Lanell Bellows (16-1-1).

In his last bout, Perez was stopped by former two-time world title challenger Ronald Gavril on April 29, 2017 Las Vegas.

“My thoughts on the fight are just as any other fight. I have to go in, apply my skills and allow the game plan to unfold, plain and simple. Now if someone would ask what the game plan is, it’s simple and that is to win by all means.,” said Perez. “To me it’s another fight where someone is trying to take the roof over my family’s head away, trying to take food out there mouths and I have to make sure that they can’t. The fact that its for a title puts me in a place where my work ethic is just multiplied by a million and more. I am excited to be fighting in my hometown and can’t wait to put on a great show.”

"I am hungry. I think a lot of people see that I haven't been active and think they can take advantage of it. Well that's a bad idea because I'm always training and always preparing myself. You know what they say, 'stay ready so you don't have to get ready' that's what I do. I think a lot of people would agree and say I'm a very formidable opponent on short notice and now basically given me 10 weeks to prepare for someone, so I'm excited and looking forward to bringing my best."

This will be the 9th fight in Atlantic City for Perez.

In the eight-round co-feature Greg Jackson will take on Julius Dyis in an eight-round battle for the WBF Welterweight Championship.

Jackson of Philadelphia has a deceiving record of 8-7-1 with two knockouts.

Jackson has faced five undefeated opponents, and has defeated Saud Clark (2-0) & Gledwin Ortiz (3-0). Jackson is coming off a six-round majority decision defeat to Vernon Brown on June 30th in Phoenix.

Dyis of Clarksdale, Mississippi has a record of 9-1 with four knockouts.

The 30 year-old Dyis is a four-year professional.

He has wins over two undefeated opponent when he defeated Oscar Valdez (1-0), and in his last bout when he won a six-round unanimous decision over Samuel Ellsworth (3-0-1) on June 24, 2017 in Tunica, Mississippi.

In six-round bouts:

Joel De La Paz (7-1, 4 KOs) of Atlantic City, NJ will take on Tahlik Taylor (3-11, 1 KO) of Greensboro, NC in a light heavyweight contest.

John Bauza (10-0, 5 KOs) of North Bergen, NJ will face an

opponent to be named in a junior welterweight bout.

In four-round bouts:

Omar Salem (3-0) of Brooklyn, NY will fight Mike Anderson (0-2) of Philadelphia in a middleweight bout.

Michael Williams, Jr. (5-0, 5 KOs) of Fayetteville, North Carolina takes on an opponent to be named in a junior welterweight bout.

Nahir Albright (3-1, 1 Ko) of Philadelphia tangles with Glenford Nickey (4-1, 1 KO) of Brooklyn in a lightweight bout.

Isaiah Hart of Atlantic City makes his pro debut against Dillion Kasprzak (0-1) of Philadelphia in a middleweight bout.

Marcos Lugo (0-1) of Vineland, NJ will box against Jahmal Dyer (4-1) of Baltimore, in a lightweight contest.

Steve Moore (1-4, 1 KO) of Orange, NJ takes on Kashon Hutchinson (3-5, 1 KO) of Reading, PA in a welterweight affair.

Ryan Wilczak (6-0, 3 KOs) of Scranton, PA. will take on an opponent to be named in a junior middleweight bout.

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# **Naim Nelson – Tre'Sean Wiggins highlights packed non-televised undercard on Tuesday night at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center**

Bethlehem, PA (April 3, 2017)–Naim Nelson will battle Tre'Sean Wiggins in a super lightweight bout scheduled for eight-rounds which will be the featured non-televised bout on a a jam-packed 10 bout card will feature some of the best fighters in the Lehigh Valley on Tuesday, April 4th at the Sands Bethlehem Events Center.

Former title challenger Edner Cherry (35-7-2, 19 KOs) and once-beaten Omar Douglas (17-1, 12 KOs) appear in the main event in a 10-round lightweight bout that headlines 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 features an eight-round showdown between unbeaten featherweight prospects Stephen Fulton (10-0, 5 KOs) and Luis Rosario (8-0-1, 7 KOs) plus Bethlehem's Frank DeAlba (21-2-2-, 9 KOs) taking on Massachusetts-native Ryan Kielczweski (26-2, 8 KOs) in an eight-round super featherweight attraction.

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](http://www.ticketmaster.com). To charge by phone call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.

Nelson of Philadelphia has a record of 13-2 with one knockout.

The 26 year-old Nelson is a six-year professional who won his first 12 bouts with wins over Korey Sloane (1-0), Esteban Rodriguez (5-1-1) and Jerome Rodriguez (6-0-3).

The only two blemishes on the resume of Nelson are decisions losses to former world champion Mickey Bey (21-1-1) and to Alejandro Luna (20-0). Nelson took the Luna bout on less than 24 hours notice.

Wiggins of Newburgh, New York has a record of 7-3 with six knockouts.

Like Nelson, Wiggins is also 26 years-old, and has a 1st round stoppage over future world champion Jason Sosa.

Wiggins is coming off a eight-round unanimous decision loss to undefeated Mykal Fox (12-0) on February 11th,

In a six-round bout, Thomas Velasquez (7-0, 5 K0's) of Allentown, PA will take on Wilfredo Garriga ((3-5-1, 2 K0's) of Juan Diaz, PR in a super featherweight battle.

In four-round fights:

Jimmy Kelleher (3-0, 3 K0's) of Scranton, PA will fight pro debuting Jose Valderrama (5-18, 3 K0's) of Manati, PR in a super middleweight bout.

Ryan Wilczak (2-0, 1 K0) of Scranton, PA will tussle with Courtney McCleave (2-6, 1 K0) of Concord, NC in a middleweight bout.

Devin McMaster (1-0) of Allentown, PA will take on Gregory Clark (1-1) of Washington, DC in a super middleweight bout.

Hector Bayanilla (1-0, 1 K0) of Allentown, PA will fight Jordan Peters (1-0, 1 K0) of Washington, DC in a super featherweight bout.

Juan Sanchez (2-0, 1 K0) of Allentown, PA squares off with

Edgar Cortes (3-4) of Vineland, NJ in a featherweight bout.

## EDNER CHERRY vs. OMAR DOUGLAS MEDIA SCHEDULE

\*All Times Are Eastern\*

Monday, April 3

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, April 4

5:30 p.m. SANDS BETHLEHEM EVENTS CENTER DOORS OPEN

Location: 77 Sands Blvd.; Bethlehem, PA 18015

6:30 p.m. FIRST BOUT

9:00 p.m. FS1 & FOX DEPORTES BROADCAST BEGINS

## CREDENTIAL DISTRIBUTION

Fight night credentials can be picked up on Tuesday, April 4 from 5:30 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.

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