

# MMA Legend Anderson Silva scores Shocking Split Decision over Julio Cesar Chavez Jr.

GUADALAJARA, MEXICO (JUNE 20, 2021)– Boxing legend Julio Cesar Chavez thrilled his adoring fans one last time as he and Hector Camacho Jr. entertained a throng of enthusiastic fight fans in a special exhibition bout at Jalisco Stadium in Guadalajara, Mexico.

The bout headlined Tribute To The Kings Pay-Per-View

The two fought hard, which was much to the delight of the crowd. Before the final frame, Chavez called in pound-for-pound king, and Guadalajara native Canelo Alvarez to stand in his corner. The two once again embraced after the fight, which seemed to be a symbolic passing of the torch from past to future Mexican darling to current superstar and future legend that Alvarez is on course to be.

The bout was special for all involved as Chavez fought Camacho's late father, Hector Camacho 29 years ago.

This bout marked the end of an era, as Chavez announced that this would be the final time he would enter a boxing ring, and that he would hang up the gloves for good. Chavez has been participating in exhibitions in recent years.

Silva stuns Chavez Jr. via split decision

MMA Legend Anderson Silva came over to boxing and won an eight-round split decision over former middleweight champion Julio Cesar Chavez Jr.

Silva was the more aggressive fighter and landed more and had

Chavez on the ropes for a good portion of the fight.

The scores read 77-75 twice for Silva and 77-75 Chavez.

Silva, 182 lbs of Brazil, is widely considered the greatest MMA fighter of all-time and now has a professional boxing record of 2-1. Chavez, who weighed in 2.4 lbs of the contracted weight of 182, is now 52-6.

"I 'm so happy to be here. I want to thank Adidas for taking care of me and supplying me with all the gear that I needed to train for this fight. We won every round . This has been a dream of mine for many years. I did this because I have the best team . My team is my family. We did this together. Lots of hard work to get to this point. Absolutely will do this again," Said Silva.

"I did good ,I just had some problems breathing plus my ribs were kind of hurt ,the cut didn't affect me at all. I thought it could have been a draw," said Chavez.

Alvarez wins Trilogy; Decisions Chavez

Ramon Alvarez won his trilogy bout with Omar Chavez with an eight-round unanimous decision over Omar Chavez in a middleweight bout,

In round four, Chavez was cut on the outside of his right eye. Alvarez controlled the action and beat Chavez to the punch throughout the eight-round affair.

Alvarez of Guadalajara, MEX is 29-8-3. Chavez of Culican. MEX is 38-7-1.

"I feel really great and proud on this Victory over Omar Chávez, I had an excellent preparation ,with my brother as my trainer was very aware of me getting this done ,this Victory dedicated to my family and all my whole Town that came to cheer for me. Having my family in my corner gave me added strength and energy. It's a really special night and I'm proud

of my effort,” said Alvarez

“He won, no question. It was a clear head butt that caused lots of blood to pour out. That changed the whole fight . I could see his punches, he was able to apply pressure . He hit me with hard punches. I would do fight him again,” said Chavez

Photos by Chris Farina.

Sosa Decisions Mina via Split Decision

Damian Sosa won a 10-round split decision over Abel Mina in a super welterweight fight.

Sosa, 153 lbs of Tijuana, MEX won by scores of 96-94, 95-94 and Mina took card 96-94

Sosa is now 18-1. Mina, 153 lbs of Perto Quito, ECU us 13-1.

“I fought a really good fighter. It was a tough fight. He is an awkward fighter, and I have never faced anyone like him. It took some time to adapt to his style. I came in really good Shape. I did my training with champion Jaime Munguia. I won this fight and I’m dedicating this fight to my parents and all my Mexican fans,” said Sosa.

“We came here to win, and not get robbed. We worked so hard in our preparation with my team and in the fight. We hit him with many solid punches, and we boxed and brawled when necessary. We deserved the victory period,” said Mina

Melendez Decisions Torres

Jorge Luis Melendez won an eight-round unanimous decision over Kevin Torres in a super lightweight bout.

In Round one, Melendez dropped Torres with a left hook. In the round, Melendez began to bleed from his nose.

Melendez cruised down the stretch and won by scores of 77-74, 76-74 and 77-75.

Melendez of Jalisco is 14-7. Torres of Bellingham, WA is 17-2.

"I came in very good shape, I tried to knock him out. I threw good combinations. got cut on my eyebrow, but it didn't bother me at all ,I feel that I won this fight, and i am just waiting for another good fight and bigger opportunities.,” said Melendez

"He's a tough fighter, a strong fighter, I wasn't proud of my performance. It just wasn't my night,” said Torres

Leonardo Padilla won an eight-round unanimous decision over Jesus Acosta in a junior lightweight bout.

Padilla, 129 lbs of Caracas, VEN is 20-3. Acosta, 129 lbs of Guadalajara is 15-3.

Cesar Gutierrez stopped Oscar Mejia in round one of a scheduled eight-round super lightweight bout.

Gutierrez dropped Mejia with a hard left hook and the fight was stopped.

Gutierrez, 140 lbs of Guadalajara is 12-0 with five knockouts. Mejia, 137 lbs of Auguscalientes, MEX is 14-5.

Johan Alvarez, the nephew of Canelo Alvarez made a successful pro debut with a 1st round stoppage over Erick Hernandez in a super featherweight bout,

In round one, Alvarez hurt Hernandez with a hard right to the head that resulted in an eight-count, Alvarez dropped Hernandez with a hard right, and the fight was stopped at 2:41.

Alvarez of Guadalajara, MEX is 1-0 with one knockout. Hernandez of Guadalajara, MEX is 0-1.

Promoted by Borizteca Boxing and Toscano Promotions, "Tribute to The Kings" was live on Pay-Per-View and was being produced by Global Sports Streaming.

Tribute to the Kings – Chavez Jr. vs. Silva was be available for live viewing on cable, shown on cable, satellite and digital Pay Per View, starting at 9 p.m. ET / 6 p.m. PT, on for a suggested retail price of only \$39.99. Integrated Sports Media and Joe Hand Promotions will distribute throughout North America via DirecTV, iN Demand, Vubiquity, DISH, SaskTel, Rogers, Shaw PPV and via the FITE.TV website and app in the United States, Canada and select markets world-wide.

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## **WEIGHTS FROM GUADALAJARA, MEXICO**

GUADALAJARA, MEXICO (JUNE 18, 2021)– Weights for Saturday night's Tribute to the King's Pay-Per-View featuring Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. vs Anderson Silva

PAY-PER-VIEW WEIGHTS (9 pm ET)

Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. 184.4 – Anderson Silva 182

Julio Cesar Chavez 143 – Hector Camacho Jr. 160 lbs  
(Exhibition)

Omar Chavez 161.1 – Ramon Alvarez 160

Damian Sosa 153.4 – Abel Mina 153.6

Kevin Torres 138.4 – Jorge Melendez 137.8

BeIN Sports Weights (7 PM ET)

Jesus Acosta 129.8 – Leonardo Padilla 129.2

Cesar Gutierrez 140 – Oscar Mejia 137.8

Mario Ramirez 128.6 – Pedro Castro 127.2

Johan Alvarez 129.8 – Erick Hernandez 131.6

Jose Vazquez 133.2 – Jonathan Perez 134.2

Diego Torres 136 – Jose Pacheco 134.2

Oscar Murguia 123.6 – Ricardo Badillo 122.2

# **Championship Team Barrera, Mijares and Algieri as Live Commentators for “Tribute To The Kings” Boxing Event**

GUADALAJARA, MEXICO (JUNE 17, 2021)–A world class broadcast team will be ringside calling the live boxing action for the “Tribute to the Kings” Pay-Per-View event taking place from Jalisco Stadium in Guadalajara, Mexico this Saturday, June 19th.

Tribute to the Kings, featuring Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. vs. “The Spider” Anderson Silva will be available for live viewing on cable, shown on cable, satellite and digital Pay Per View, starting at 9 p.m. ET / 6 p.m. PT, on for a suggested retail price of only \$39.99. Integrated Sports Media and Joe Hand Promotions will distribute throughout North America via DirecTV, iN Demand, Vubiquity, DISH, SaskTel, Rogers, Shaw PPV and via the FITE.TV website and app in the United States, Canada and select markets world-wide

Handling the blow-by-blow commentary will be Brandon Kyle. Known in the Muay Thai fight business as a broadcaster with Triumphant Combat Sports, he is now a fixture on the Global Sports Streaming (GSS) boxing series, “Best in Boxing.”

The expert analysis will be the work of former junior welterweight world champion, Chris Algieri. In addition to his championship pedigree, Algieri has quickly established himself

as one of the best analyzers of fights with his work on Top Rank's ESPN broadcasts.

Also handling commentary will be longtime boxing analyst, Jaime Motta.

Marcos Villegas will provide the unofficial scorecard.

Comedian Crystal Marie Denha will handle the reporting. Denha had her own sports show titled "The Fumble". She left that to start a comedy career, and now is returning to broadcasting since selling The Fumble. She also hosted Australia Breakfast News Program "Sunrise". She is a first-generation US citizen born to Iraqi parents.

Performing play-by-play calls on the Spanish broadcast will be Hall of Famer, Marco Antonio Barrera. Barrera who can be seen and heard on many of the major fights throughout Mexico, will be the team lead for Tribute to the Kings.

He will be joined by former world champion Cristian Mijares as well as analyst Goyitp Perez. Gerardo Rodriguez will handle the hosting duties at the desk.

Former featherweight contender, Chris Martin, will analyze the fights on the beIN SPORTS undercard pre-show, while Rodriguez and Motta call the beIN SPORTS undercard show in Spanish.

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## **VIDEO: Tribute to the Kings Undercard Press Conference**

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# **beIN SPORTS Inks Deal to Present Undercard Bouts for Tribute to the Kings – Julio Cesar Chavez Jr., vs. Anderson Silva Boxing Event – Live, Saturday, June 19**

Las Vegas, NV – The undercard for Tribute to the Kings – Anderson Silva vs. Julio Cesar Chavez, Jr. is coming to beIN SPORTS Saturday, June 19. The network announces it will broadcast the entire undercard live from Jalisco Stadium in Guadalajara, Mexico Saturday, June 19 starting at 7:00 p.m. EST.

“World-class boxing has been a key component of our offering since beIN SPORTS launched and this latest addition to our lineup continues this tradition,” said Antonio Briceño, Managing Director for beIN SPORTS in North America. “We are excited to bring these highly anticipated matchups to our passionate fans, especially those in our U.S. Hispanic community.”

“Real boxing fans know that beIN SPORTS is the premier destination for premier fights, so we are pleased to have its global network of sports channels presenting our ‘Tribute to the Kings’ live undercard Saturday, June 19,” said Armando Bareno, CEO and Founder, Global Sports Streaming. “This deal with beIN SPORTS allows us to deliver a complete night of competitive boxing – from the first bout to the Anderson Silva



vs. Julio Cesar Chavez, Junior marquis matchup – to fight fans all over the world.”

beIN SPORTS will present seven big fights prior to the start of the Pay-Per-View portion of the Tribute To The Kings card.

The undercard headliner on beIN SPORTS will be the super featherweight clash between Jose Acosta and Leonardo Padilla.

Acosta of Guadalajara, Mexico is 15-2-1 with 10 knockouts. The 22 year-old is a five-year professional who owns a win over previously undefeated Jorge Zavala.

Padilla of Petare, Venezuela has a record of 19-3 with 14 knockouts. The 25 year-old is a seven-year professional, and has won the WBA Fedebol Super Featherweight title with a win Daniel Miranda (13-2). He has also fought current WBA Super Featherweight world champion Roger Gutierrez. Padilla is coming off a win over Dionis Martinez on December 19th.

Cesar Gutierrez (11-0, 4 KOs) of Guadalajara, Mexico fights Oscar Mejia (14-4, 6 KOs) of Auguscalientes, Mexico in a featherweight contest.

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In swing bout action:

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Karen Rubio (5-1) who is a cousin to the Chavez family of Culican, Mexico will fight Estefany Alegria (1-0) of Guadalajara, Mexico in a bantamweight fight.

Headlining the Tribute to the Kings Pay-Per-View portion of the event will be MMA legend "The Spider" Anderson Silva competing in his first major boxing match vs. Julio Cesar Chavez, Jr.

The co-main event will see the great Julio Cesar Chavez Senior take the ring for the last time to fight Hector "Little Macho" Camacho Jr., the son of the man he beat in the historic boxing match "Chavez vs. Camacho in 1992.

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## About beIN SPORTS USA

Launched in 2012, beIN SPORTS offers viewers world-class sports content and entertainment across multiple platforms including TV channels beIN SPORTS and beIN SPORTS en Español, live streaming on beIN SPORTS CONNECT, and free English-language network, beIN SPORTS XTRA. A cornerstone of beIN SPORTS is its unrivaled live soccer coverage, which includes live matches from Ligue 1, Copa Libertadores, Copa Sudamericana, Recopa Sudamericana, Coupe de France, Turkish Süper Lig, Africa Cup of Nations, CAF Confederation Cup, CAF Champions League and International Friendlies as well as news and in-depth analysis of all the top leagues from around the world. In addition to soccer, beIN SPORTS serves as a haven for fans of wrestling, mixed martial arts (MMA), skiing and handball, among others. Through beIN SPORTS CONNECT, authenticated subscribers can also enjoy all the exciting action from the two networks and stream live overflow matches offered in HD on their computer, tablet or smartphone. Fans can also experience live high-quality sports properties for free via beIN SPORTS XTRA. This includes season-long access to XTRA soccer matches, XTRA combat sports, XTRA adventure sports, XTRA original studio productions, and a robust library of historically relevant sporting events. Follow beIN SPORTS on Instagram at @beINSPORTSUSA, Twitter at @beINSPORTSUSA and @ESbeINSPORTS, and Facebook at beIN SPORTS USA for the latest updates on beIN SPORTS coverage. For more information, visit [www.beINSPORTS.com](http://www.beINSPORTS.com) and [www.beINSPORTSXTRA.com](http://www.beINSPORTSXTRA.com).

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# LIVE VIDEO: Tribute to The

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## **Jose Acosta vs. Leonardo Padilla highlights Non Pay-Per-View action before Tribute To The Kings on Saturday, June 19th at Jalisco Stadium in Guadalajara, Mexico**

Guadalajara, Mexico (June 10, 2021) –Seven big fights will be featured before the big Tribute To The Kings Pay-Per-view on Saturday June 19th at The Jalisco Stadium in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Headlining the non pay-per-view action will be a eight-round super featherweight clash between Jose Acosta and Leonardo Padilla.

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In addition to Silva vs. Chavez, Jr., Tribute to The Kings will see Julio Cesar Chavez Sr. make his final ring appearance when he takes on Hector Camacho, Jr. in a six round exhibition. Camacho will fight Chavez in honor of his late father and Boxing Hall of Famer, Hector "Macho" Camacho, who lost to Chavez in their historic fight in 1992.

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**VIDEO: Interview with MMA Legend Anderson Silva about Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. fight**

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# **VIDEO: Interview with Former Middleweight champion Julio Cesar Chavez Jr.**

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## **ANDERSON SILVA BOXING VIDEO; ST-PIERRE, ROGAN, LIDDELL AND SONNEN QUOTES**

Guadalajara, Mexico (May 21, 2021) – St-Pierre, Rogan, Liddell and Sonnen, a who's who in the sport of mixed martial arts, today weighed in on the upcoming mega-matchup between world-class striker Anderson Silva and world-class boxer Julio Cesar Chavez, Junior Saturday, June 19th live on Pay-Per-View from Estadio Jalisco in Guadalajara, Mexico.

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Starting off the conversation is "The Iceman" Chuck Liddell, one of the greatest athletes ever to enter the Octagon, who said, "It's tough to cross over from MMA or even kickboxing to boxing because of the differences in stance, distance and timing, but if anyone can do it, Anderson Silva can! I'll pay to watch this fight."

Said Georges "Rush" St-Pierre, "I wish Anderson good luck because he is the one who is stepping into Chavez Junior's world. Let's hope they enjoy their fight, and that the boxing fans embrace this event. And of course that no one gets hurt."

Joe Rogan also commented on Chavez, Jr. vs. Silva saying to his guest and comedian Russell Peters in his recent episode of The Joe Rogan Experience, "He might not be as respected as some, but Julio Cesar Chavez, Junior is still a fucking beast. You cannot sleep on that guy. He is a dangerous man."

Chael Sonnen, the former UFC fighter who fought Silva twice, took to his YouTube channel last week (<https://youtu.be/BhRxzEpVUnI>) to give fans a seven-minute breakdown of the 10-round boxing match that will occur between Chavez, Jr. and Silva on June 19th:

"This is a very different Anderson because he used to box and even if it was Muay Thai, even if it was standup fights... but he actually got in the ring and did this. It's a significant difference than say what Conor McGregor did when he fought Floyd. It's significantly different in that Conor had never done it before. He'd done something close, he had done a version of it – he had sparred a little bit. Anderson did all of that but also stepped in there and competed. ... I'm happy to hear he's done with MMA. I'm happy to hear that if he's going to elect to go into this sport he is showing that sport the respect that it needs and that it requires to be successful which is full commitment and immersion."



Silva is considered by many to be the greatest MMA fighter of all time. He compiled a record of 34 victories with 11 losses and 23 stunning knockouts. His boxing record is 13-1. Chavez, Jr., the son of the legendary boxer Julio Cesar Chavez, has a record of 52-5-1 with 34 knockouts.

“Tribute to The Kings” also features a special Exhibition bout that will see the great Julio Cesar Chavez Sr. make his final ring appearance against Hector Camacho Jr. Camacho will be honoring the legacy of his late Hall of Fame father.