

Travis Kauffman sees Thompson bout as gateway fight to bigger opportunities

READING, PA (JANUARY 16, 2014)—On Saturday night, January 25th, WBA number-nine ranked Heavyweight, Travis Kauffman (27-1, 20 KO's) takes on Vincent Thompson (13-1, 2 KO's) in a 10 -round bout for the WBU Intercontinental championship from the Sands in Bethlehem, PA.

The show is promoted by King's Boxing and XFE Boxing.

Kauffman is promoted by Greg Cohen Promotions.

Kauffman knows that a win over Thompson, who has impressive credentials himself, will springboard himself to a big opportunity in the wide open Heavyweight division.

"Everything has been good in camp,"said Kauffman. "I have been working with (undefeated Heavyweight) Bryant Jennings, (Heavyweight contender) Steve Cunningham and (Undefeated Light Heavyweight) Khalib Whitmore. This also is the 2nd camp that we have incorporated former Cruiserweight champion Al Cole as part of the training team."

Kauffman knows that the southpaw Thompson brings some quality skills to the ring on January 25th.

"Thompson is the toughest fight since my fight with Tony Grano. He is not a big puncher but he is very fast. The plan is to beat him down and show him what I already know that I am at a whole another level that he is at. I know that he is coming to attempt to win, but my experience and pressure will be the deciding factors in the fight."

Although not looking past Thompson, Kauffman, who is riding a nine fight winning streak, knows that he could be graduating

to the big stage shortly.

"I Love fighting at home," continued Kauffman. "But I also want those big opportunities. I fight better with better opposition and even though I won by 1st round knockout in my last bout, You will see a better Travis Kauffman on January 25th.

Once again, King's Promotions has put on a stellar undercard.

In eight round bouts:

Frankie De Alba (10-1-2, 3 KO's) of Reading, PA takes on Chazz McDowell (6-3-1, 1 KO) of Yonkers, NY in a Jr. Lightweight bout.

Miguel Cartagena (10-0, 3 KO's) of Philadelphia will fight Felipe Rivas (15-15-2, 9 KO's) of Nogales, Mexico in a Bantamweight bout.

In four round bouts:

Sammy Quinones (4-2, 1 KO) of York, PA will do battle with Benjamin Burgos (1-5) of Mount Pocono, PA in a Lightweight bout

Khalib Whitmore (4-0, 3 KO's) of Philadelphia will square off with Raymere Palmer (0-1) of Las Vegas in a Light Heavyweight bout.

Christian Molina of Allentown, PA will make his pro debut against Dominic Goode (0-1) of Williamstown, NJ in a Jr. Welterweight fight.

Lonnie Jackson Jr. (3-1-1, 1 KO) of Philadelphia will box Robert Ramos (1-1, 1 KO) of Palm Bay, FL in a Lightweight bout.

Tickets for this outstanding evening are priced at \$200, \$125, \$75 and \$50 (tickets will be \$5 more at the door) and can be

purchased at www.ticketmaster.com and www.kingsboxing.com

1st bout is 7:15 with the doors opening at 6:15