

Undefeated Welterweight Janelson Bocachica Headlines on ShoBox: The New Generation® against Mark Reyes Jr. Live on SHOWTIME® (9 PM ET/PT)

February 17, 2021 – TONIGHT!!, Heralded welterweight prospect Janelson Bocachica looks to keep the momentum going from his sensational knockout on last October, when he takes on fellow undefeated Mark Reyes Jr. in a bout that will headline a ShoBox: The New Generation event from the Mohegan Sun Arena in Uncasville, Connecticut, and LIVE ON SHOWTIME (9 PM ET / PT)

Bocachica of Detroit, Michigan will be making his second consecutive ShoBox appearance as he took out Nicklaus Flaz in the opening round of their October 7th bout in the same venue.

The win pushed the 22 year-old's mark to 16-0 with 11 knockouts.

Reyes of Tampa, Florida is 14-0 with 12 knockouts.

At Tuesday's weigh-in, Bocachica was 146 1/2 lbs. Reyes was 147 lbs.

Janelson Bocachica quotes:

"My last fight on ShoBox, I feel like I surprised a lot of people. I wasn't surprised myself because I know what I have to give. I showed my skills even though I could have done a little better, and that's what I'm trying to do this fight. I won't be satisfied until I get the WBC belt.

"I could have been better with my movement in my last fight. I

wasn't totally tuned into the fight. I wanted to make him work a little bit more even though I set him up perfectly.

"I usually don't watch much tape on my opponents. The level of opponents that he's faced doesn't match up to the fighter that I am, so there's not a whole lot that I can learn from watching tape. He won't be able to do the same things with me that he's done with the guys he's faced. I have seen a couple highlights though and he does look good. He looks like a good fighter and that's why I picked this fight.

"Whenever I fight there's a high chance for an explosion. If he tries to pressure me and he's throwing punches, he's going to be receiving them back. I'm not a walking punching bag. I tried to box in my last fight but every time somebody gives me an opening my precision is there. That's what we train for. As soon as he opens up and gets cocky with it, I'll step on the gas and get him out of there.

"I have power in both hands. If he really wants to fight, then he can look for a fight. I just don't think a fight with me will last very long for Mark Reyes. I think I'm super close to being a top contender. This fight is going to help me a lot. It's another stepping-stone and I feel like you guys are going to be seeing a lot more of me."

Bocachica is managed by Split-T Management and promoted by King's Promotions.