



**MATCHUP OF UNDEFEATED PROSPECTS
TRAVIS PETERKIN AND LENIN CASTILLO HEADLINES
STACKED UNDERCARD COMING TO BARCLAYS CENTER
ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST AS PART OF
PREMIER BOXING CHAMPIONS ON ESPN**

**BROOKLYN'S RAFAEL VAZQUEZ, ADAM KOWNACKI, AND
HEATHER "THE HEAT" HARDY ALSO IN ACTION**

Tickets Are On Sale Now!

BROOKLYN (July 17, 2015) - A light heavyweight contest between Brooklyn's own **"Notorious" Travis Peterkin** (15-0, 7 KOs) and fellow undefeated prospect **Lenin Castillo** (12-0, 7 KOs) highlights a full night of undercard action at Barclays Center on Saturday, August 1.

The headlining event of the evening is a **Premier Boxing Champions** on **ESPN** doubleheader featuring undefeated superstar **Danny "Swift" Garcia** (30-0, 17 KOs) taking on Brooklyn's own **Paulie "The Magic Man" Malignaggi** (33-6, 7 KOs), with middleweight champion **Daniel "The Miracle Man" Jacobs** (29-1, 26 KOs) squaring off against **Sergio "The Latin Snake" Mora** (28-3-2, 9 KOs) in the co-feature.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT. Fans in attendance will also be treated to a riveting undercard featuring an abundance of local talent on the rise.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by DiBella Entertainment in association with Swift Promotions, are priced at \$250, \$150, \$120, \$75 and \$45, not including applicable service charges and taxes, and are on sale now. Tickets are available at www.barclayscenter.com, www.ticketmaster.com and at the American Express Box Office at Barclays Center. To charge by phone, call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000. For group tickets, please call 855-GROUP-BK.

The showdown between hometown favorite Peterkin and the Dominican Castillo is scheduled for eight rounds. Following an amateur career that ended with a 95-7 record, the highly touted Peterkin turned pro in 2011 and has developed on DiBella Entertainment's "Broadway Boxing" series. Castillo is a former amateur standout and 2008 Dominican Olympian. Both Peterkin and Castillo will be making their Barclays Center debuts.

Brooklyn's **Rafael "Dynamite" Vazquez** (15-1, 12 KOs) has kept a busy schedule in 2015 and will return for his fourth fight this year in an eight-round featherweight contest. The 37-year-old Vazquez is not your typical boxer. While he is ranked high in the world rankings at number seven and is seeking a world title opportunity, fame and glory are not his top priorities. With an autistic daughter and a wife diagnosed with cervical cancer, Vazquez fights for his family. Getting a late start to boxing, Vazquez, who lost both of his parents at an early age and endured a stint in prison as a wayward youth, turned pro in September 2010. He has since donated portions of his purses to autism research, while also holding fundraisers to help raise awareness. After suffering a shocking split decision loss to Jhovany Collado in 2012, Vazquez, who has absolutely devastating power in both hands, has stopped six of his last seven opponents, including the 30-2 Leon Moore.

Polish heavyweight knockout artist **Adam Kownacki** (10-0, 9 KOs) will return to Barclays Center following a dominant eight-round unanimous decision over the tough Ytalo Perea on May 29. Kownacki was born in Lomza, Poland, before migrating to the US with his family at the age of seven and settling in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, known as a large Polish community. A pro since 2009, Kownacki has gained immeasurable experience sparring with heavyweight champion Wladimir Klitschko on multiple occasions. Prior to his bout in May, Kownacki had scored all of his knockouts in five rounds or less. He'll be facing fellow heavy-hitter Maurenzo Smith (12-9-3, 9 KOs) in an eight-round contest in Brooklyn.

Brooklyn's popular **Heather "The Heat" Hardy** (13-0, 2 KOs), who competed in Barclays Center's first-ever professional female boxing match last year, has become a staple at the famed venue since then. On August 1, Hardy will be making her third consecutive appearance at Barclays Center. A little over two years after her pro debut, Hardy won an international title belt in the super bantamweight division in October 2014. In her last bout on May 29, Hardy impressively outpointed Noemi Bosques over eight frames. She'll look to keep that momentum going on August 1, in an eight-round featherweight contest when she takes on Hungarian Renata Domsodi (12-6, 5 KOs).

Eager to make a name for himself as the next promising up-and-comer out of Puerto Rico, junior middleweight **Prichard Colon** (14-0, 11 KOs), will return to Barclays Center for the third time. As an

amateur, Colon was a five-time Puerto Rican national champion prior to turning pro in 2013. Trained by his father, Colon has been stylistically compared to fellow countryman Felix Trinidad, with all but one of his knockouts coming in five rounds or less. In the opposite corner at Barclays Center will be Las Vegas-resident Michael Finney (12-3-1, 10 KOs) who is known for giving prospects a real test, having gone the distance with Jermall Charlo and Erickson Lubin, while battling to a draw against the 11-0-2 Wilkins Santiago.

Unbeaten 24-year-old junior lightweight **Omar "Super O" Douglas** (14-0, 11 KOs) of Wilmington, DE, is ready to transition from prospect to contender. While an adept technical boxer, the powerful Douglas always seeks to end bouts early, with five of his 11 knockouts coming in the very first round. On August 1, he'll be squaring off against Puerto Rican southpaw Frank Santos de Alba (16-1-2, 6 KOs) who has not lost since dropping a decision in his 2011 pro debut.

Junior lightweights **Titus Williams**, from Elmont, Long Island, and Philadelphia's **Thomas Velasquez** will be making their pro debuts in separate four-round bouts following decorated amateur careers.

Select undercard bouts will be carried live on ESPN3. ESPN Deportes will also televise the fights live, as part of its *Noche de Combates* series and ESPN International will present live coverage across its networks in Latin America, Brazil, the Caribbean and Pacific Rim. Live coverage will also be available through WatchESPN on computers, smartphones, tablets, Amazon Fire TV and Fire TV Stick, Apple TV, Chromecast, Roku, Xbox 360 and Xbox One via an affiliated video provider.

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