



**BRAZIL'S MMA LEGEND, CHAMPION, AND BOXER ANDERSON SILVA
RETURNS TO FACE AMERICAN MMA CHAMPION AND
COMBAT SPORTS ICON TYRON WOODLEY
IN PROFESSIONAL CRUISERWEIGHT BOUT ON MAIN CARD OF
MOST VALUABLE PROMOTIONS 'JAKE VS. JOSHUA: JUDGMENT DAY'
ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 FROM KASEYA CENTER IN MIAMI, FLORIDA,
LIVE GLOBALLY ONLY ON NETFLIX**

Silva vs. Woodley, who steps in to replace Chris Weidman, on the main card ahead of co-main event Alycia Baumgardner vs. Leila Beaudoin – set to be contested over 12x3:00, equal rules to men's champions

Australia's undisputed world champion Cherneka "Sugar Neekz" Johnson still set to defend titles vs. Canada's top contender Amanda Galle in preliminary card headliner; MVP's world champion Yokasta Valle vs. Yadira Bustillos and MVP's Avious Griffin vs. Justin Cardona also remain on preliminary card

MVP's two-time Brazilian Olympian Keno Marley joins preliminary card for pro debut vs. Diarra Davis Jr.

Tickets for Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day go on sale today, Friday, November 21 at 12pm ET at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com)

All media interested in being credentialed to cover Jake vs. Joshua must apply [HERE](#)

Most Valuable Promotions (MVP) and Netflix today announced that the greatest MMA fighter of all time and Brazilian legend **Anderson "The Spider" Silva** (3-2, 2 KOs boxing, 34-11, 22 KOs MMA) makes his return to combat sports to face American MMA champion and combat sports icon **Tyron Woodley** (0-2 boxing, 19-7-1, 7 KOs MMA) on the main card of Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day on Friday, December 19 at Kaseya Center in Miami, Florida, and will air live globally, only on Netflix at no additional cost to its 300+ million members. The clash between the two MMA icons will be a professional 6-round cruiserweight bout contested at 195lbs as Woodley steps in to replace Silva's initial opponent, Chris Weidman, who withdrew due to injury.

In the co-main MVP's undisputed super featherweight world champion **Alycia "The Bomb" Baumgardner** (16-1, 7 KOs) making a unified WBA, WBO, and IBF world title defense at 130lbs against Canada's #2 IBF, #3 WBO and WBA contender **Leila Beaudoin** (13-1, 2 KOs). Baumgardner vs. Beaudoin will be contested over 12, three-minute rounds, equal to the men's championship standard.

In the preliminary card headliner, MVP's and Australia's undisputed bantamweight world champion **Cherneka "Sugar Neekz" Johnson** (18-2, 8 KOs) will make an undisputed WBO, WBA, WBC, and IBF world title defense at 118lbs against MVP's and Canada's #4 IBF and #5 WBA contender **Amanda "Bambola" Galle** (12-0-1, 1 KO). Remaining on the preliminary card will be MVP's Costa Rican star **Yokasta Valle** (33-3, 10 KOs) set to defend her WBC strawweight world title vs. **Yadira "La Reina" Bustillos** (11-1, 2 KOs) in a 10-round women's championship bout at 105lbs, and MVP's top contender **Avious "Tha Underdog" Griffin** (17-1, 16 KOs) vs. **Justin "Stallion" Cardona** (10-1, 5 KOs) in an 8-round bout at 147lbs in the welterweight division. Newly joining the card will be MVP's two-time Brazilian Olympian **Keno Marley**, making his hotly-anticipated pro debut over 4 rounds in the cruiserweight division at 200lbs against American **Diarra Davis Jr.** (2-1, 1 KO). Two additional bouts will be announced in the coming weeks. Tickets for Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day go on sale today, Friday, November 21 at 12pm ET at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com).

São Paulo, Brazil's **Anderson "The Spider" Silva** is widely regarded as one of the greatest mixed martial artists of all time. Silva became the longest-reigning UFC middleweight champion in history, holding the title for nearly seven years from 2006 to 2013 while recording an astonishing 17-fight winning streak and 10 consecutive title defenses. Silva transitioned to boxing in 2021, defeating former world champion Julio César Chávez Jr., knocking out fellow MMA legend Tito Ortiz, and facing Jake Paul in 2022.

"I believe that change always happens for a reason," **said Anderson Silva**. "I am focused on doing a good job. Always respecting my opponent and showing total respect to the boxing world."

Tyron Woodley is an American professional fighter, actor, and media personality best known for holding the UFC Welterweight Championship from 2016 to 2019. A native of Ferguson, Missouri, Woodley's MMA career launched with a dominant 10-0 start, leading to the fastest knockouts in welterweight title history and four successful title defenses in less than one year. Post-UFC, Woodley made waves in boxing, including blockbuster bouts with Jake Paul.

"Rising to occasions like this are the moments where legends are born," **said Tyron Woodley**.

"Anderson Silva vs. Tyron Woodley is an iconic matchup, continuing to elevate Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day into one of the most scintillating combat sports events of the decade," **said Nakisa Bidarian, CEO of Most Valuable Promotions**. "This is the gladiatorial sport spectacle of the 21st century. A main event that has engaged the entire world. Bringing back two of the MMA GOATS into

the spotlight on a global stage, live on Netflix, reflects the magnitude of this card. Alycia Baumgardner making a 12x3:00 unified title defense in the co-main event and stepping up beside Amanda Serrano in the history books with this statement for equality, and a championship-stacked undercard featuring Cherneka Johnson, Yokasta Valle, and more, Friday, December 19 is poised to become one of the most unforgettable nights in boxing history.”

MVP’s **Keno Marley** began boxing at age 11 before moving to São Paulo alone to pursue his boxing training at age 13. After taking home gold at the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics, he took silver at the 2019 Pan American championships, then competed for Team Brazil at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, finishing as a quarter-finalist. He earned silver at the 2021 world championships, became the 2022 Brazilian national amateur champion, won the 2023 Strandja Tournament, and won silver at the 2023 Pan American Games before finishing as a quarterfinalist at the Paris 2024 Olympics.

“I was supposed to debut in June, but the injury set me back for a reason,” **said Keno Marley**. “It gave me time to recover, refocus, and come back stronger. I’ve already represented my country on the Olympic stage, and now I get to step into the pro ranks on the Jake vs Joshua card. The spotlight is huge, and I’m ready to make a statement.”

Diarra Davis Jr. is a 35-year-old southpaw from Baltimore, Maryland. Standing at 6'2", Davis has demonstrated determination and composure early in his professional career, continuing to progress as one of the promising fighters emerging from the Baltimore boxing scene.

“It’s incredible to have the opportunity to fight on the Jake Paul vs. Anthony Joshua card,” **said Diarra Davis Jr.** “Being on a stage like that is a dream come true for me. I’m stepping into the ring fully prepared and ready to go get that win.”

Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day represents the most dangerous test of Jake Paul’s nascent career. The matchup unites Paul, the sport’s most-watched fighter whose showmanship has redefined modern boxing and shattered records at every turn, with Joshua, one of boxing’s most accomplished, respected, and feared punchers, a global icon who twice unified the heavyweight division, and has headlined sold-out stadiums across the UK and beyond. This will be Paul’s second live event on Netflix in just over a year following his record-breaking victory over Mike Tyson in November 2024. Tickets for Jake vs. Joshua: Judgment Day go on sale today, Friday, November 21 at 12pm ET at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com). The event will also feature MVP’s exclusive VIP experiences, including the MVP Owner’s Experience.

Additional information, including two additional undercards bouts, will be announced in the coming weeks.

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About Anderson Silva

Anderson “The Spider” Silva is widely regarded as one of the greatest mixed martial artists of all time, celebrated for his unprecedented dominance and creativity inside the Octagon. Born in São Paulo, Brazil, Silva became the longest-reigning UFC middleweight champion in history, holding the title for nearly seven years from 2006 to 2013 while recording an astonishing 17-fight winning streak and 10 consecutive title defenses. Often compared to Muhammad Ali and Pelé for his artistry and global influence, Silva redefined combat sports with iconic victories over Rich Franklin, Forrest Griffin, and Vitor Belfort, and his 2015 bout against Nick Diaz generated one of the highest pay-per-view audiences in UFC history. Known for his superb striking ability and fluid style, Silva transitioned to boxing in 2021, defeating former world champion Julio César Chávez Jr., knocking out fellow MMA legend Tito Ortiz, and facing Jake Paul in 2022. Beyond the ring, Silva launched his athletic brand SPIDER KICK, starred in films such as *The Invincible Dragon* and *Murder City*, hosted Netflix’s *Ultimate Beastmaster*, and was the subject of the award-winning Lionsgate documentary *Like Water*. Listed by *Forbes* among the world’s richest athletes, Silva maintains a global following of more than 18 million fans across social media and continues to give back through martial arts academies for at-risk youth in California and Brazil. Inducted into the UFC Hall of Fame in 2023, Silva remains a cultural icon, entrepreneur, and one of the most influential figures in combat sports history.

About Tyron Woodley

Tyron Woodley is an American professional fighter, actor, and media personality best known for holding the UFC Welterweight Championship from 2016 to 2019. A native of Ferguson, Missouri, Woodley grew up in a challenging environment but avoided the cycle of crime by committing himself to academics and athletics. He became a two-time High School All-American and Honor Roll student before making history at the University of Missouri as the school’s first Big 12 Champion and a two-time NCAA All-American wrestler. Tyron’s MMA career launched with a dominant 10-0 start, leading to the fastest knockouts in welterweight title history and four successful title defenses in less than one year. Post-UFC, Woodley made waves in boxing, including blockbuster bouts with Jake Paul, and built a second career in production, film, television, and music. As an actor and TV personality, he has appeared in *Straight Outta Compton*, *Sons of Anarchy*, *Cobra Kai*, *Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*, and hosted *The Hollywood Beatdown* on TMZ. His insightful sports commentary has been featured on PFL, MVP, DAZN, and ESPN, among others. Beyond the spotlight, Woodley is deeply committed to mentoring youth and uplifting his community. Whether in the cage, on camera, or in the community, Tyron continues to inspire through excellence, resilience, and authenticity.

About Alycia Baumgardner

MVP’s reigning undisputed super featherweight world champion Alycia “The Bomb” Baumgardner is one of the most electrifying superstars in boxing today and one of the most dominant athletes in the sport. Born in Fremont, Ohio, and of German, Korean, and African-American descent, she has built a career defined by power, precision, and resilience. Her success is fueled not only by her relentless work ethic but also by her deep faith, which guides her journey both in and out of the ring.

Baumgardner turned pro in 2017, making an immediate impact with a first-round TKO victory. In November 2021, she shocked the boxing world by knocking out Terri Harper in Sheffield, England, to claim the WBC and IBO World Titles. She continued her rise, securing wins over Edith Matthysse and Mikaela Mayer in October 2022, adding the WBO and IBF belts to her collection. In February 2023, she became undisputed, defeating Elhem Mekhaled in New York to claim the WBA title. In July 2023, Baumgardner avenged her only career loss with a dominant win over Christina Linardatou in Detroit, successfully defending her undisputed crown. She returned in September 2024 against Delfine Persoon, scoring an early knockdown before an accidental clash of heads led to a no-contest ruling. Most recently, she successfully defended her undisputed title against Spain's Jennifer Miranda in the co-main event of Katie Taylor vs. Amanda Serrano 3, live on Netflix. Outside the ring, Baumgardner is breaking barriers for women, proving that skill, strength, and marketability can coexist at the highest level. Her faith remains at the center of everything she does, keeping her grounded and focused on the bigger picture. With an unshakable mindset and a purpose greater than herself, she continues to push the sport forward, building a legacy that extends far beyond the championship belts.

About Leila Beaudoin

A natural-born athlete with unstoppable drive, Leila Beaudoin laced up her gloves for the first time at 18 and never looked back. After just five years in the amateur ranks, she stormed to national championship gold and turned pro in 2019. Fast forward to today: with a near-flawless record of 13 wins in 14 fights—her lone loss avenged in dominant fashion—she now holds the WBO International Super Featherweight title. In her first title defense this past June, she made a statement loud and clear, dropping and dismantling former world champion Elhem Mekhaled in just six rounds, proving that she's not only ready for the top—She's here to take it.

About Cherneka Johnson

MVP's reigning undisputed bantamweight world champion Cherneka "Sugar Neekz" Johnson was born in Tauranga, New Zealand. Fighting out of Gold Coast, Australia, Johnson is a two-weight world champion, currently the undisputed bantamweight world champion at 118lbs and the former IBF super bantamweight world champion. In March 2025, Johnson defeated then-champion Nina Hughes to claim the WBA bantamweight world title. In July 2025, Johnson, newly signed with MVP, made her promotional debut on the undercard of MVP's historic Katie Taylor vs. Amanda Serrano trilogy card, stepping into the ring against former IBF world champion Shurretta Metcalf in a 10-round undisputed world title showdown as part of the first-ever all-women's professional boxing card at Madison Square Garden. Following a heated battle, Johnson won via 9th round TKO, becoming the first-ever undisputed Australian champion in the four belt era. The 30-year-old now will defend her undisputed title for the first time.

About Amanda Galle

MVP's Amanda Galle was raised in a proud Italian family in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. She began her combat sports journey at six, earning a black belt in karate by 11 before beginning boxing and kickboxing. At 16, she scored a 28-second knockout in her boxing debut and went on to capture

three Canadian national titles between 2009 and 2018, persevering through her mother's battle with breast cancer and her own struggles with depression. Turning professional in 2019, Galle built an undefeated record while balancing her career with family, ultimately delivering the Canadian super bantamweight title to her mother's hospital bed before her passing in 2022. Galle rebounded with a string of victories, overcoming a broken hand and capturing the IBO bantamweight world championship in December 2023, which she defended successfully in 2024. She signed with MVP in June 2025, and most recently earned a unanimous decision win over Mexico's Alondra Hernandez in her promotional debut on MVP's Most Valuable Prospects 15 in September 2025.

About Yokasta Valle

Yokasta Valle is a three-division world champion boxer born in Nicaragua and raised in Costa Rica. Growing up with limited resources and countless challenges in San Jose, Yokasta learned early on that nothing is given, and everything is earned. In a sport historically dominated by men, she carved her own path and fought to open doors for women in boxing. She won her first world title in 2016 and has gone on to conquer six world titles across three weight divisions, establishing herself as one of the best pound-for-pound fighters in the world. She currently has held the WBC minimumweight title at 105lbs since November 2024. Valle has also championed equal pay in women's boxing, fighting for and achieving the same purse conditions as male boxers. Outside the ring, the 32-year-old is an entrepreneur, boxing promoter, and social role model. In 2023, she was recognized by the United Nations as their Costa Rica Champion for the example she set in the fight for women's and migrants' rights. Valle is currently BoxRec's #5, Ring Magazine's #8, and ESPN's #9-ranked pound-for-pound boxer in the world.

About Yadira Bustillos

Yadira Bustillos, from Las Vegas, Nevada, is of Mexican descent with roots in Durango. She was introduced to boxing through her uncle and brother before beginning training under coach Gil Martinez. What started as curiosity quickly became passion, as Bustillos pushed herself to keep up with male sparring partners and prove her toughness in the gym. Her amateur career was highlighted by accolades including back-to-back Roy Jones Jr. National Invitational titles, Nevada Golden Gloves gold, and a third-place finish at the 2019 Olympic qualifiers, where she was ranked #6 nationally. She made her pro debut in 2021 and contended for the WBC 105lb interim world title in just her eighth pro fight. Competing across the 105, 108, and 112lb divisions, Bustillos aims to become undisputed champion across multiple weight classes.

About Avious Griffin

MVP's Avious Griffin has quickly emerged as a force in the 147lb division. With a staggering 94% stoppage rate, the Las Vegas-based fighter originally from Chattanooga, Tennessee, continues to prove why he's one of the most dangerous and exciting welterweights in the sport today. Since early 2024, Griffin has trained under the esteemed Brian "BoMac" McIntyre, widely recognized for guiding Terence Crawford's rise to championship status. He also works closely with Esau Diéguez and renowned strength and conditioning coach Larry Wade, who joined his team in October 2023. Together, this elite team has helped transform Griffin into one of the sport's most dangerous and

disciplined rising contenders. On February 20, 2025, Griffin captured the vacant WBC USA Welterweight Title by stopping Jose Luis Sanchez in the eighth round at Sony Hall in New York City. Griffin's rise has been shaped by extraordinary personal resilience. Introduced to boxing at age eight by his father, Alvin, the sport quickly became both a passion and a powerful bond between them. In 2016, just weeks before Griffin's professional debut, Alvin passed away unexpectedly from a brain hemorrhage as Avious frantically rushed his dad to the hospital—a devastating loss that Griffin continues to honor through his career. The following year brought another life-altering setback: a wrongful murder conviction that led to 11 months of incarceration before his exoneration. These hardships forged Griffin's "TTD" (To The Death) mentality—an ethos that powers his performance in the ring and his commitment to breaking generational cycles of poverty, while advocating for mental health and addiction recovery. With a compelling personal story and elite performance inside the ropes, Avious Griffin represents one of the most promising new faces in professional boxing.

About Justin Cardona

Born and raised in East Salinas, California, Justin "Stallion" Cardona is one of the state's most promising young welterweights, known for his discipline, humility, and relentless work ethic. Introduced to boxing at age seven by his mother, a former boxer herself, Cardona quickly found purpose in the sport and turned professional at just 18. Now training under veteran coach Ruben Guerrero Sr. and mentored by former world champion Robert "The Ghost" Guerrero, Cardona has built a reputation for his technical precision, toughness, and resilience—a mindset that mirrors his idols Arturo Gatti and Dmitry Bivol. Standing 5'8" with an orthodox style and a sharp straight right hand, Cardona balances grit and intelligence in the ring. Outside of boxing, the 25-year-old lives a disciplined lifestyle as a CrossFit gym owner, marathon runner, and mentor, driven by faith and a desire to give back to his East Salinas community. With eyes on a world title and a mission to inspire the next generation, Cardona continues to embody perseverance both inside and outside the ropes.

Keno Marley is a 25-year-old 6'3" boxer born in Sapeaçu, Bahia, Brazil. He first began boxing at age 11 before moving to São Paulo alone to pursue his boxing training at age 13, joining the Brazilian national team to launch a standout amateur career. He first made a name for himself at the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics in Buenos Aires, taking home the gold medal and becoming the first Brazilian boxer to achieve this feat. The next year, Marley earned silver at the 2019 Pan American championships. He earned a place on Brazil's Olympic team, qualifying to compete in the men's light heavyweight event at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and finishing as a quarter-finalist in a narrow 3-2 defeat to Britain's Benjamin Whittaker, the eventual silver medalist. At the 2021 amateur world championships, Marley fought in the IBA cruiserweight division and earned the silver medal, before becoming the 2022 Brazilian national amateur champion. In 2023, Marley won the prestigious Strandja Tournament, the biggest championship on the European circuit, becoming the first Brazilian man to reach the final and win the title before winning silver at the 2023 Pan American Games. He continued his amateur sprint as he returned to represent Brazil again at the Paris 2024 Olympics in the men's heavyweight division, once again reaching the quarter finals. Outside boxing, Marley faced two difficult losses in 2021, losing his older brother to murder and his cousin to suicide. He now actively serves as a third sergeant in the Brazilian Army, holds a university degree in

physical education, and is currently completing a law degree. He trains out of the Brazilian Olympic Training Center and is co-managed by Brazil's biggest influencer, multi-talented superstar Whindersson Nunes. He resides in São Paulo, Brazil.

About Diarra Davis Jr.

Diarra Davis Jr. is a 35-year-old southpaw professional light heavyweight boxer from Baltimore, Maryland. Standing at 6'2" and competing in the 175-lb division, Davis has demonstrated determination and composure early in his professional career, holding a record of 2 wins and 1 loss. In May 2025, he stepped onto the international stage in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, where he went the distance against local prospect Bradley Olmeda in a competitive four-round bout. Though he came up short on the scorecards, the performance showcased his resilience and willingness to take on challenges beyond his home turf. With his size, skill, and drive, Davis continues to progress as one of the promising fighters emerging from the Baltimore boxing scene.

About MVP

MVP was founded by Jake Paul and Nakisa Bidarian in 2021. With the mission to provide more creative control to fighters, MVP works to identify, grow, and maximize return for its own events and talent partners. One year into its inception, MVP was nominated as one of the prestigious Sports Breakthroughs of the Year in 2022 by Sports Business Journal. MVP have produced Jake Paul's last seven global pay-per-view events, including the recent Paul vs. Chavez Jr. match. The promotion company also signed one of the most decorated Hispanic athletes of all time, Amanda Serrano in its first year. Serrano and MVP made history in April of 2022 when Serrano went head to head with Katie Taylor, marking the first female fight to headline at Madison Square Garden, earning a nomination for Event of The Year by Sports Business Journal. MVP made history again in November 2024 with Jake Paul vs. Mike Tyson and Katie Taylor vs. Amanda Serrano 2, the first-ever live professional sports event on Netflix. MVP's Paul vs. Tyson streamed live globally on Netflix and shattered records, becoming the most-streamed sporting event ever with 108 million live viewers globally. Co-founder Nakisa Bidarian was an executive producer of Paul vs. Tyson and the historic Triller Presents Mike Tyson v. Roy Jones Jr., which was the 8th most bought pay-per-view event in history.

About Netflix

Netflix is one of the world's leading entertainment services, with over 300 million paid memberships in over 190 countries enjoying TV series, films, and games across a wide variety of genres and languages. Members can play, pause, and resume watching as much as they want, anytime, anywhere, and can change their plans at any time. Jake vs. Joshua will be the latest large scale live event to air on Netflix, following the super middleweight championship fight between Canelo Álvarez and Terence Crawford and the Six Kings Slam tennis tournament. WWE Raw continues to air every week globally. After the Jake vs. Joshua fight, NFL Christmas Gameday returns to Netflix with

two matchups on Christmas Day: the Dallas Cowboys vs. Washington Commanders and Detroit Lions vs. Minnesota Vikings.

About Kaseya Center

Located in the center of booming downtown Miami and the Entertainment District, Kaseya Center—home of the NBA Champion Miami HEAT—hosts 80+ non-basketball events each year including A-list concerts, family shows, sporting events, national conferences and more. Built with state-of-the-art sound and lighting and HD and electronic media signage inside and out, the impressive 19,600-seat Kaseya Center is currently ranked the #1 arena in Florida for the 10th consecutive year—and the 13th time during the past 14 years—according to Billboard’s 2024 year-end rankings. Kaseya Center is also among the leading facilities in the country for hosting Latin entertainment. The Center has led the renaissance of downtown Miami over the past two decades, helping to transform the area into a thriving arts and entertainment district. The facility has hosted more than 1,200 events including diverse musical superstars such as Marc Anthony, Celine Dion, Ed Sheeran, Lady Gaga, Bruno Mars, The Killers, Bad Bunny, Carrie Underwood, Dua Lipa, Tool, Imagine Dragons, Kane Brown, Karol G, Drake, Andrea Bocelli and Paul McCartney, just to name a few. In 2009, Kaseya Center became among the first existing buildings in the country to have achieved LEED certification by the United States Green Building Council for its commitment to sustainability practices. More recently, in 2021, the Arena achieved its second LEED gold recertification. For more information about Kaseya Center, visit kaseyacenter.com.

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