



**MVP'S KNOCKOUT MACHINE AVIOUS GRIFFIN VS. JACKSON MARINEZ
JOIN MVP AND TIKTOK LIVE PREMIERE'S HISTORIC
SERRANO VS. MANZUR ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 21
AT PECHANGA RESORT CASINO IN TEMECULA, CALIFORNIA**

MVP's and Mexico's former world champion Mayelli Flores faces Denmark's undefeated top contender Melissa Mortensen in a 10-round championship bout at 122lbs as Flores fights to reclaim the WBA super bantamweight title

MVP's and Maywood, California's Lupita Medina makes promotional debut, joined by MVP's and 2x Brazilian Olympian Keno Marley and Walnut, California's Paolo Barredo in final undercard additions

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NEW YORK, NY – August 4, 2026 – Most Valuable Promotions (MVP) and TikTok LIVE today announced further bouts joining the historic Amanda Serrano vs. Lucrecia Manzur event on Friday, August 21 at Pechanga Resort Casino in Temecula, California. Joining the card will be MVP's fast-rising contender with a 94% stoppage rate **Avious Griffin** (19-1, 18 KOs) vs. **Jackson Marinez** (23-4, 11 KOs) in a 10-round welterweight bout at 147lbs. They are joined by MVP's and Mexico's former world champion **Mayelli Flores** (13-1-1, 4 KOs) vs. Denmark's undefeated #7 WBA contender **Melissa Mortensen** (9-0, 5 KOs) in a 10-round championship bout at 122lbs as Flores seeks to reclaim the WBA super bantamweight title. MVP's and Maywood, California's undefeated 22-year-old boxer, 5x Junior Olympics champion, and current #2 WBO and IBF contender **Lupita Medina** (12-0, 3 KOs) will also make her promotional debut against Coachella, California's **Brook Sibrian** (9-3, 4 KOs) in an 8-round minimumweight bout at 105lbs, MVP's two-time Brazilian Olympian **Keno Marley** (2-0, 1 KO) will face Guadalajara, Mexico's **Daniel Izquierdo** (5-1, 5 KOs) in a 4-round cruiserweight bout at 200lbs, and Walnut, California's **Paolo Barredo** (6-0, 2) will face a to-be-named opponent in a 6-round bout.

The event marks the latest industry-defining first for MVP following the promotion's recent merger with PFL, creating a new home of combat sports under the MVP banner. MVP brings elite championship boxing to TikTok LIVE's global community for the first time and furthers its mission to expand the sport through innovative disruption and unprecedented access for fans worldwide, including MVP's loyal and hard-to-reach Gen Alpha and Gen Z audience. The event is headlined by boxing trailblazer and unified featherweight champion **Amanda "The Real Deal" Serrano** (49-4-1, 32 KOs), who seeks to break the all-time women's knockout record against Argentina's #2 WBO contender **Lucrecia Manzur** (14-4, 7 KOs). Serrano vs. Manzur will also mark another milestone in women's boxing as the first-ever unified women's world championship contested over 12, two-minute rounds for the unified WBA and WBO featherweight world titles at 126 pounds, and the first title fight to be streamed live on TikTok. Tickets for Serrano vs. Manzur are on sale now at [Ticketmaster](#). All media wishing to be credentialed for Serrano vs. Manzur must apply [HERE](#).

"Every event from MVP is about pushing combat sports forward, creating new opportunities for fighters, and reaching fans in innovative ways," **said Jake Paul and Nakisa Bidarian, co-founders of Most Valuable Promotions**. "As we enter a new era for MVP following our merger with PFL, our commitment to disrupting the industry has only grown. Amanda Serrano making history in the first world championship fight streamed live on TikTok LIVE is exactly the kind of global moment MVP was built to create. We're also proud to showcase one of boxing's most explosive knockout artists in Avious Griffin, a high-stakes world title clash between Mayelli Flores and Melissa Mortensen, welcome the promotional debuts of three of Southern California's brightest young prospects in Lupita Medina, Roxy Verduzco, and Jocelyn Camarillo, and feature Olympians Jahmal Harvey and Nelvie Tiafack alongside Brazilian stars Jully Poca and Keno Marley. This is what the next chapter of MVP looks like- bigger stages, broader distribution, and unprecedented opportunities for athletes to become global stars."

MVP's **Avious Griffin**, boasting a staggering 94% stoppage rate, is a Las Vegas-based welterweight originally from Chattanooga, Tennessee. Introduced to boxing by his father, Alvin, the sport became both a passion and a powerful bond between them. In 2016, just weeks before Griffin's professional debut, Alvin passed away unexpectedly, 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. In February 2025, Griffin captured the vacant WBC USA welterweight title by knockout. He most recently earned a knockout win in March 2026.

"Twenty wins is more than just a number," **said Avious Griffin**. "It's proof of every sacrifice I've made. On Friday August 21, I'm coming for No. 20, and if history says anything, there's a good chance I won't need to leave it to the judges."

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic contender **Jackson Martinez** boasts a professional record of 23 wins, 4 defeats, with 11 KOs. His latest five wins each came by knockout. In December 2024, Martinez contested Lindolfo Delgado for the WBO Latino super lightweight title. Other notable bouts included contests against three-division champion Rolly Romero, and former IBF lightweight champion Richard Commey, among others. The 35-year-old's most recent win came via first-round TKO against Angel Apolinar Elena Perez in November 2025.

Mayelli Flores is the former WBA super bantamweight world champion from Mexico City, Mexico. Standing at 4'11", Flores turned professional in 2014 and has built a reputation for high pressure and punch volume inside the ring. After an early career highlighted a narrow world title challenge against Yulihan Luna, Flores defeated Nazarena Romero by split decision in Kissimmee, Florida, to capture the WBA 122lb crown in May 2025. In April 2026, Flores went on to compete for the undisputed title on MVPW-01 in London against then-unified champion Ellie Scotney. Known for her toughness, stamina, and willingness to trade in the pocket, the 33-year-old Flores represents Mexico with pride as she continues her rise among the sport's elite.

Mayelli Flores said: "Mortensen is a strong, young, undefeated fighter, and I have a lot of respect for her. I know it's going to be a tough fight, but I'm known for putting on exciting performances. I've had an excellent training camp, and I'm confident my hand will be raised at the end of the night. I'm grateful to MVP for giving me the opportunity to be part of the golden era of women's boxing. Sharing the stage with the best fighters in the world is an honor. I'm ready to prove I belong here. Now it's my time to deliver in the ring and show the boxing I'm truly capable of."

Melissa Mortensen is a 24-year-old undefeated Danish professional boxer from Varde, Denmark. A standout amateur, Mortensen began boxing in 2014 and compiled a 115-bout amateur career, represented Denmark 43 times on the Danish National team, won six Danish national championships, three Nordic championships, and four prestigious Golden Girl titles, while competing in qualification tournaments for both the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Olympic Games. Mortensen turned professional in October 2024 and has built an undefeated 9-0 record while capturing the EBU Silver Championship in December 2025. She is currently ranked #6 by the IBF, #7 by the WBA, #9 by the WBO, and #10 by the WBC.

"I'm proud that my 10th professional fight will be for the WBA world championship," **said Melissa Mortensen.** "I'm not stepping into this fight just to win one world title—my goal is to collect all four major belts in the super bantamweight division and become the undisputed champion. I'm looking forward to facing Mayeli Flores. Stylistically, I believe it's a great matchup for me, and I can't wait to put on a great performance and bring the WBA world title home to Denmark."

WBO and IBF No. 2 contender **Lupita "Babyface Assassin" Medina** is one of the brightest rising stars in women's boxing. Medina began boxing in 2012 and quickly established herself as an elite amateur, capturing five Junior Olympic National Championships before turning professional in

2022. The ambidextrous fighter trains under Edgar Jasso, Manny Robles, and Matias Erbin at Legends Boxing Academy and resides in Maywood, California. Outside the ring, Medina is pursuing a degree at California State University, Long Beach, currently on educational leave as she focuses on her boxing career. Inspired by her father, a former amateur boxer in Nicaragua, and her brother, who compiled a 9-0 professional record with eight knockouts before retiring due to injury, Medina is carrying forward a dream they both helped ignite while forging her own legacy. Growing up, she was often told she was “too girly” to box, but those doubts only strengthened her passion for the sport, teaching her to be feminine, confident, and a fierce competitor all at once. Proud of her Nicaraguan heritage, she is motivated by the opportunity to represent her people on the sport’s biggest stages and aims to become one of Nicaragua’s next boxing superstars while inspiring the next generation to dream big.

“I’m very excited to be fighting under Amanda Serrano’s card with MVP. It’s an incredible opportunity to compete on such a big stage, especially with the event being streamed live on TikTok,” **said Lupita Medina.** “MVP is changing the landscape of women’s boxing by giving female fighters the platform and visibility we deserve while bringing the sport to an entirely new audience. Every fight is another step toward my ultimate goal, and Friday, August 21 is no different. I never overlook my opponent, and my team and I have prepared for every challenge. But I know what the vision is and that’s becoming a world champion. As the #1 WBO contender, I know I’m one step away from a world title shot, and I plan on making another statement. I expect to have my hand raised, continue taking over the 105 pound division, and keep proving why I’m one of the best.”

Brook Sibrian, from Coachella, California earned the nickname "Mighty" during a national tournament. After becoming a first-generation college graduate and building a career at the Wall Street Journal, Brook discovered the sport through a fitness boxing class at 26 and fell for it immediately. What began as a hobby became a calling, giving her structure, discipline, purpose, and a deeper relationship with God. She compiled a 22-3 amateur record, won two USA Boxing National Championships, and represented El Salvador at the 2023 Central American Games. Early in her career, she trained alongside her idol Román "Chocolatito" González across multiple camps, which accelerated her development and shaped her foundation as an intelligent, high-output pressure fighter and boxer-puncher.

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.

"Millions of people will have the chance to watch me fight live on TikTok for the first time, so I plan to make the introduction unforgettable," **said Keno Marley**. "I'm coming off a knockout victory, and I'm entering this fight with the same objective: finish the job before the final bell."

Daniel Izquierdo is a hard-hitting prospect from Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico. The 31-year-old has compiled a 6-1 professional record with all six victories coming by knockout, including his first three fights ending in first round TKO. Izquierdo turned professional in 2019 and has quickly built a reputation as an aggressive puncher. Most recently, he scored a fifth-round TKO victory over Irvin Arnoldo Arevalo Chavez by third round TKO in July 2026 and now looks for the biggest win of his career against two-time Brazilian Olympian Keno Marley on Friday, August 21.

MVP previously announced that the card will also feature MVP's US Olympian **Jahmal Harvey** (3-0, 2 KO) vs. Mexico's **Hammet Keb** (7-2-1, 6 KOs) in a 6 round lightweight bout at 135lbs and MVP's undefeated Brazilian boxer and influencer **Jully Poca** (1-0), the most-followed active female boxer in the world, vs. Arlington, Texas prospect **Cinderella Linnear** (1-0) in a 4-round super lightweight bout at 140lbs. Also on the card will be MVP's undefeated rising contender **Roxy Verduzco** (7-0, 1 KO) vs. **Miguelina Hernandez** (4-0, 3 KOs) in an 8-round featherweight bout, MVP's Olympic bronze medalist, European champion, and five-time German national champion **Nelvie Tiafack** (4-0, 3 KOs) vs. Mexico's **Salvador Zavala** (7-0, 5 KOs) in a 6-round heavyweight bout, and MVP's and Indio, California's **Jocelyn Camarillo** (6-0, 1 KO) vs. Mexico's **Ashley Felix** (7-4, 1 KO) in a 6-round minimumweight bout at 105lbs.

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About Most Valuable Promotions (MVP)

Most Valuable Promotions (MVP) is a global combat sports and entertainment company built for the next generation of athletes and fans. The company operates across boxing, mixed martial arts, live events, media, content, athlete development, and global distribution, with a fighter-first philosophy centered on equitable compensation, maximum visibility, and long-term brand building.

Led by co-founders Jake Paul and Nakisa Bidarian and Chief Executive Officer John Martin and backed by founding investors 885 Capital & Knighthead, MVP promotes some of the world's biggest combat sports events and represents a roster of nearly 400 elite athletes, including world champions, titleholders, contenders, and emerging stars. MVP's portfolio includes MVP, MVPW, and MVP MMA, bringing together premier boxing and mixed martial arts properties under one global brand.

Through partnerships with leading media and distribution platforms including Netflix, ESPN, Sky Sports, and an extensive international network reaching fans across more than 170 countries, MVP delivers world-class competition and entertainment to audiences worldwide. By combining elite athletes, premium live events, compelling storytelling, and global media reach, MVP is building the future of combat sports.

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