



JAIME MUNGUIA DISCUSSES PROMISING 2019 AS HE PREPARES TO DEFEND HIS WBO JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT WORLD TITLE AGAINST TAKESHI INOUE

SATURDAY, JAN. 26, 2019 AT TOYOTA CENTER IN HOUSTON, TEXAS
AND STREAMED LIVE ON DAZN



(ABOVE: Jaime Munguia works the double-end bag as he prepares to defend his WBO Junior Middleweight World Title against Takeshi Inoue on Jan. 26 at Toyota Center in Houston, Texas)

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LOS ANGELES (Jan. 11, 2019): **Jaime Munguia** (31-0, 26 KOs) discussed his busy plans for 2019 as he prepares to defend his WBO Junior Middleweight World Title against Japanese contender **Takeshi Inoue** (13-0-1, 7 KOs) in a 12-round battle. The action will take place on **Saturday, Jan. 26** at the Toyota Center in Houston, Texas and will be streamed live on [DAZN](#) - which is just \$9.99 per month after a one-month free trial. Fans in Houston can purchase tickets starting at just \$25 at [ToyotaCenter.com](#).

The native of Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico is working hard to make a successful third defense of his title in what will be his debut in Texas. Munguia is working under the expert tutelage of renowned trainer Robert Alcazar, who trained the likes of Oscar De La Hoya, Edwin Valero and Jessie Vargas. Munguia is training in the Southern California area, where he combines a morning run at the mountains with an intense boxing session at a private gym in the afternoon.

Below is what Jaime Munguia had to say during a recent training session:

"We are preparing very well. I feel better and more motivated than ever before. I'm stronger than ever, and I will do my best to give the best fights for the people on this new platform, DAZN."

"I have worked hard to be in the main events like this. I think for me this is just the start. I want to make history. I was happy to be the co-main event of Canelo vs. GGG 2, and now that I'm headlining this event, I am more motivated."

"Takeshi Inoue is a strong fighter. He comes forward. He doesn't mind taking a punch in order to land one. We have to be careful with that and come very prepared. We have to be careful with his right hand as well. We're going to come very well prepared on Jan. 26."

"After this fight, it looks like I will have a WBO mandatory bout against Dennis Hogan. But I would still like to unify the titles at 154 pounds with the other champions. We will resolve anything that is put in front of us."

"The plan is to move up to 160 pounds in about a year. We're fine making weight now. I have no problems, but I feel I can move up and fight in other divisions. My body is such that I could even go up to 168 pounds."

Munguia on the other fighters in his division:

"I thought the fight was a draw [regarding Jermell Charlo vs. Tony Harrison]. Charlo should have attacked more and not wait as much. That's my opinion of the fight. Tony Harrison is a good fighter. He's tough and has good skills. If he is put in front of us-or anyone for that matter-we will have to work."

"[Jarrett] Hurd is a very big 154-pounder. I think he's bigger than me. If a fight with him is presented to me, why not? We can unify the tittles or meet at 160 pounds."

"I don't know what to say about the political situation because we are on different platforms. We will see if a fight against them can happen. Perhaps not this year, but maybe we can meet them at 160 pounds."

"I've heard the things they've said about me. Maybe they don't respect me or think I'm too young. They've said a lot. I will make them respect me on the day they step in the ring with me."

Munguia on a potential fight against Canelo:

"I don't think there is any pressure with being mentioned with names like Canelo and Golovkin. I like this. It's fun. I'm happy to be in fights like this and to see that we are advancing. So, the truth is we are happy."

"I am conscious of what I am doing. I think I can move up to 160 pounds and fight any of the two. It's a risk because there will always be risks. Those are the two best fighters in the world. We would have to be very careful and come very well prepared. I don't think it would happen soon, so we have to see what the future holds for us."

Munguia vs. Inoue is a 12-round fight for the WBO Junior Middleweight World Title presented by Golden Boy Promotions in association with Zanfer Promotions. **Rojas vs. Can** is a 12-round fight for the WBA Featherweight World Title presented by Golden Boy Promotions in association with Universal Promotions. The event is sponsored by Tecate, "*THE OFFICIAL BEER OF BOXING*," and Hennessy "*Never Stop. Never Settle.*" The event will take place Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 at the Toyota Center in Houston, Texas and will be streamed live on DAZN.

Tickets for Munguia vs. Inoue are on sale now and are priced at \$150, \$100, \$60, \$40 and \$25 plus applicable taxes, fees and services charges. Tickets can be purchased online at www.ToyotaCenter.com and by phone at 1-866-4-HOU-TIX. Tickets will also be available at the Toyota Center Box Office.

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