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REY VARGAS TO DEFEND WBC SUPER BANTAMWEIGHT WORLD TITLE AGAINST NO. 1 CONTENDER TOMOKI 'EL MEXICANITO' KAMEDA

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VACANT WBO GLOBAL FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE

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CARSON, CALIF. (June 6, 2019): A thoroughly stacked night of Golden Boy action heads to the **Dignity Health Sports Park** in Carson, Calif. as **Rey Vargas** (33-0, 22 KOs) defends his WBC Super Bantamweight World Title in the 12-round main event against No. 1 Contender and former world champion **Tomoki "El Mexicanito" Kameda** (36-2, 20 KOs). The card will also feature the return of **Diego De La Hoya**, **Joet Gonzalez**, **Eduardo "Rocky" Hernandez**, **Alexis "Lex" Rocka** and **Jousse "Tito" Gonzalez**. The fights will take place on Saturday, July 13 and will be streamed live on [DAZN](#).

"Golden Boy is no stranger to big events with stacked undercards, and much less when it comes to having them at the Dignity Health Sports Park," said **Oscar De La Hoya**, Chairman and CEO of Golden Boy. "Not only is this place the home of the LA Galaxy, it has also become a battlefield for some of the most exciting wars this sport has ever seen. July 13 will not disappoint as the best 122-pounder in the world in Rey Vargas defends his world title against an explosive challenger. Most importantly, however, this stacked card will also demonstrate what we have been doing at the Golden Boy for many years: producing stars and making the best fights possible."

Vargas is a 28-year-old world champion who brings a considerable height and reach advantage to every fight, which he has used to defeat all of his previous opponents. In February 2017, Vargas traveled to the United Kingdom to defeat **Gavin McDonnell** for the vacant WBC Super Bantamweight Title. For that

fight, Vargas enlisted the help of Hall of Fame trainer **Ignacio "Nacho" Beristain**, who has been training him ever since. Vargas then defended the title against **Ronny Rios**, **Oscar "El Jaguar" Negrete**, **Azat "Crazy A" Hovhannyan** and **Franklin Manzanilla**. The native of Mexico City, Mexico will look to make the fifth defense of his title in his first main event fight in the United States.

"This is going to be a hard and complicated fight," said **Rey Vargas**. "Kameda is a difficult opponent who has been a world champion. Above all, however, he has a thorn in his side that he'll want to take out because I beat him in the amateurs several years ago. This is an interesting fight. He is a quick fighter and he'll look to take advantage of that, but thanks to God and my corner we are already working to counteract the strategy of this Japanese fighter. God willing, we will walk away with our hand in victory."

Kameda is a 27-year-old native of Tokyo, Japan who traveled to Mexico when he was only 15 years old to learn from and compete with its fighters, earning the nickname "Mexicanito" in the process. Since then, Kameda has developed into a complete fighter utilizing styles from both countries. In 2013, Kameda became a world champion by defeating **Paulus Ambunda** for the WBO Bantamweight World Title, defending it three times. He also challenged for a world title on two occasions by facing **Jamie McDonnell** for the WBA Bantamweight World Championship. Kameda then moved up to 122 pounds where he plans to become a two-division world champion.

"This is going to be a great battle," said **Tomoki Kameda**. "I know Rey Vargas very well. We fought in the amateurs during my time in Mexico. I look forward to getting my revenge against him and becoming a two-division world champion. I know Vargas is a tall fighter with long arms, but the Mexican style that I possess will give him a lot of trouble and make for a great fight for the fans!"

"This is a great fight where the two best super bantamweights in the world will meet," said **Oswaldo Kuchle**, President of Promociones del Pueblo. "Rey Vargas will prove that he is invincible, and that's why he has the belt with the highest ranking-the WBC belt."

"A former world champion who's fought on the big stage in Japan, Mexico and the U.S., Tomoki Kameda is more than ready for this opportunity to become a champion again on July 13," said **Tom Brown**, President of TGB Promotions. "At just 27-years-old, Kameda is still in his prime after already accomplishing a tremendous amount as a pro. He's going to bring a challenge that Rey Vargas has never seen before and deliver a memorable night for his fans all over the world."

In the co-main event, **Diego De La Hoya** (21-0, 13 KOs) of Mexicali, Mexico will take on hometown favorite **Ronny Rios** (30-3, 14 KOs) of Santa Ana, Calif. in a 12-round fight for the vacant WBA Gold Super Bantamweight Title.

"I'm excited for this great opportunity to showcase my skills at the Dignity Health Sports Park," said **Diego De La Hoya**. "This is another step closer to a world title challenge, and I promise to give my fans a night to remember. Ronny Rios is a tough fighter, but these types of challenges motivate me to perform at my best. I won't be denied a victory come July 13!"

"First and foremost, I would like to thank Golden Boy and DAZN for giving me this opportunity," said **Ronny Rios**. "Secondly, I would like to thank my team for helping me stay prepared, motivated and focused. I would also like to thank Diego De La Hoya and his camp for accepting this fight."

Joet Gonzalez (22-0, 10 KOs) of Glendora, Calif. will fight for the vacant WBO Global Featherweight Title in a 10-round fight against **Manuel "Tino" Avila** (23-1-1, 8 KOs) of Fairfield, Calif. This fight will feature two high-level Golden Boy contenders who are centimeters away from a world title shot.

Mexican rising star **Eduardo "Rocky" Hernandez** (28-0, 25 KOs) will return in a 10-round super featherweight fight. This will be Rocky's second fight after signing a co-promotional deal between Promociones del Pueblo and Golden Boy.

Welterweight prospect **Alexis "Lex" Rocha** (13-0, 8 KOs) of Santa Ana, Calif. will defend his WBC Continental Americas Welterweight Title in a 10-round bout against **Berlin Abreu** (14-2, 11 KOs) of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Jousse "Tito" Gonzalez (8-0-1, 8 KOs) of Glendora, Calif. will return in a six-round lightweight fight.

Jonathan Esquivel (10-0, 9 KOs) of Anaheim, Calif. will battle in a six-round super middleweight fight.

Adrian Benton (1-0) of Cincinnati, Ohio will participate in a four-round super lightweight fight.

The opponents for this undercard will be announced shortly.

Vargas vs. Kameda is a 12-round fight for the WBC Super Bantamweight World Title presented by Golden Boy in association with Promociones del Pueblo and TGB Promotions. The event is sponsored by Tecate, *"THE OFFICIAL BEER OF BOXING,"* and Hennessy *"Never Stop. Never Settle."* The event will take place Saturday, July 13 at Dignity Health Sports Park and will be streamed live on [DAZN](#).

Tickets for Vargas vs. Kameda go on sale Thursday, June 6 at 10:00 a.m. PT. Tickets are priced at \$75, \$50, \$25 and \$10, plus applicable taxes, fees and services charges. Tickets can be purchased at [goldenboytickets.com](#), [AXS.com](#), by phone at 888-9-AXS-TIX (888-929-7849), and at the Dignity Health Sports Park Box Office (Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. PT to 6 p.m. PT). VIP Suites are available by calling 877-604-8777. For more information on group discounts or VIP packages, call 877-234-8425.

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