

# Former National Amateur champion and undefeated junior welterweight Kenneth Sims, Jr. is ready for Israel Villela this Saturday night at The Claridge in Atlantic City

Atlantic City, NJ (April 19, 2017)- Undefeated junior welterweight Kenneth Sims, Jr. will look to make it 12 in a row without a loss when he takes on tough Mexican Israel Villela in a six-round co-feature bout this Saturday night at The Claridge Hotel In Atlantic City.

The bout will be part of a ten-bout card promoted by GH3 Promotions and D and D Promotions.

In the main event, undefeated junior welterweight Keenan Smith (10-0, 4 KO's) of Philadelphia takes on veteran Edgar Gabejan of the Philippines in a bout scheduled for eight-rounds.

Sims of Chicago, will be making his 2nd consecutive start on the boardwalk after his eight-round unanimous decision over Emmanuel Robles (15-1-1) on January 20th at Ballys. That fight was part of a ShoBox: The New Generation card seen live on Showtime.

Sims got the call to take a "Stay Busy" fight, before he steps back up later in the Summer.

"I found out about this fight three weeks ago. It is not a big deal, I already had been sparring, so I am in good shape and

ready for Saturday,” said Sims.

In Villela, Sims has seen little, but not a lot of his opponent, but he will be ready for anything that Villela will bring to the ring.

“I saw a few Youtube videos, but I did not see a lot to get to a feel for him. But I am an experienced fighter, and I just have to fight my fight. I am not underestimating him, and I know he will be trying to win.”

In the fight with Robles, Sims fought well throughout, and gave a brief critique of his performance.

“I looked over the last fight, and I looked better watching it on television than I thought I did in the ring. With that being said, I know I have things to work on, and I could have looked better.”

Sims is looking for a big performance on Saturday that will be a prelude to a busy Summer.

“It would be good to get a stoppage. I am looking to come back May 13th in Louisiana, then a fight back on television.”

Appearing in six-round bouts will be:

Tyrell Wright (9-0-1, 6 KO's) of Jersey City, NJ will face Dan Pasciolla (9-2-1) of Brick, New Jersey in a heavyweight bout.

In a battle of undefeated super lightweights, John Bauza (5-0, 2 KO's) of North Bergen, NJ will fight Jesus Salas (1-0, 1 KO) of Puerto Rico

In four-round bouts:

Elijah Vines (3-0, 3 KO's) of Philadelphia will take on James Robinson (4-7-4, 1 KO) of York, PA in a super welterweight bout.

Donald Smith (4-0, 3 KO's) of Philadelphia will square off

with Vincent Jennings (5-3, 4 K0's) of Grand Rapids, MI in a super featherweight tussle.

Dylan Price (1-0, 1 K0) of Sicklerville, NJ will fight Chris Nelson (1-3) of Kentucky in a super flyweight bout.

Emmanuel Rodriguez of Newark, NJ will make his pro debut against Jaxel Marrero (1-7-2) of Puerto Rico in a bantamweight bout.

Tickets range from \$50 – \$150 and can be purchased by calling 856-842-7577