

Local's Mussachio and Pham highlight undercard Saturday night at The Claridge in Atlantic City

Atlantic City, NJ (January 26, 2017) -Local favorites Chuck "The Professor" Mussachio and Gabriel Pham will see action in separate bouts that will highlight an outstanding undercard this Saturday night at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The card, which is promoted by Rising Promotions will feature,Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna taking on Eduardo Flores un a junior middleweight bout scheduled for eight rounds.

Mussachio (19-3-2, 5 K0's) of Wildwood, NJ takes on Michael Mitchell (3-7-2, 1 K0) of Paterson, NJ in a light heavyweight bout, while Pham (6-1, 2 K0's) of Pleasantville, NJ battles Jose Valderrama (5-17, 3 K0's) of Manati, Puerto Rico in a super middleweight bout.

Mussachio, who won a unanimous decision over Willis Lockett last May 27th. That nout was his first bout after a three-plus year off.

"I tried to get away from boxing, but something brought me back," said Mussachio. "I am happy to be on a card back in Atlantic City."

This will be Mussachio's 17th fight in Atlantic City.

Pham is on the rebound following his loss to Christopher Brooker on Last July 9th in Trenton, New Jersey.

Like most fighters, Pham chalked up the loss to Brooker as a learning experience.

“I have been training real hard. What I learned in the Brooker fight is that I always need to be in shape. The skills don’t leave you, but I need to stay in shape. I am just 27, so I need to take a nice slow progress. It is always nice to fight home. I don;t know much about Valderrama other then he is a journeyman and he won’t give up.”

In 4-round bouts:

Dan Murray (1-0) of Lanoka Harbor, NJ will square off with Nahir Albright (0-1) of Philadelphia in a junior welterweight bout.

Yurik Mamedov (3-0, 1 KO) of New York takes on pro debuting Jose Jimenez of Ocala, FL in a welterweight tussle.

Dallas Holden (1-0) of Atlantic City will fight Weusi Johnson (1-2) of Wilmington, DE in a bantamweight card.

Jamil Simmons of Pleasantville, NJ will make his pro debut against Thomas Roman of Brooklyn, NY in a lightweight affair.

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Thomas LaManna “I want my rematch with Dusty Harrison”

Atlantic City, NJ (January 25, 2017) – This Saturday night at The Claridge Hotel, Thomas “Cornflake” LaManna will take on battle tested Eduardo Flores in a junior middleweight bout that will headline an eight-bout card.

The card is promoted by Rising Promotions

LaManna of Millville, New Jersey has a record of 21-2 with 9 knockouts, and wants to avenge his September 15th defeat to Dusty Hernandez Harrison. But first he must get past the 52 fight veteran Flores.

"Flores has been in with numerous world champions," said LaManna of Flores, who has competed with the likes of Kermit Cintron Carlos Baldomir and Diego Chaves. "He is a rugged veteran, and has only been stopped a handful of times, and the last time that happened, he was fighting a middleweight. He will come to fight. I am looking to one-up all the champions that he has fought."

To do that, LaManna is looking to take a relaxed approach, and he is not going into the fight looking for a knockout.

"I believe in my boxing skills, ring generalship and I will get the job done. I plan a smart 8 rounds of boxing. It will be exciting because it will be packed inside The Claridge. I am looking to get this win and get back to a rematch with Dusty. Even though this fight is at junior middleweight, I am a welterweight, and I want that rematch."

"I had an amazing training camp. The loss to Harrison made me hungrier, and that has motivated me even more than before."

This will be LaManna's fourth appearance at the Claridge. This will be the 6th sold-out show and LaManna's relationship with the hotel is helping a rebirth of boxing in Atlantic City.

"I have a great team behind me. The Claridge has been great to work with and we are planning four more big shows here this year."

In the 6-round co-feature, Chuck Mussachio (19-3-2, 5 KO's) of Wildwood, NJ takes on Michael Mitchell (3-7-2, 1 KO) of Paterson, NJ in a light heavyweight bout.

Also in 6-round fight, Gabriel Pham (6-1, 2 KO's) of

Pleasantville, NJ battles Jose Valderrama (5-17, 3 KO's) of Manati, Puerto Rico in a super middleweight bout.

In 4-round bouts:

Quian Davis (4-0-2, 2 KO's) of Mays Landing, NJ fights Demonte Cherry (1-2, 1 KO) of North Carolina in a heavyweight bout.

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Thomas “Cornflake” LaManna to battle Eduardo Flores on Saturday, January 28th at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City

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LaManna will battle veteran Eduardo Flores eight-round junior middleweight bout on Saturday night, January 28th at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The bout will headline a card promoted by Rising Promotions.

CEO of Rising Promotions Debra LaManna stated, "We are starting 2017 with a tremendous card and we plan on only doing bigger and better things for boxing this year."

LaManna of Millville, New Jersey has a record of 21-2 with nine knockouts.

The 25 year-old is coming off a defeat to undefeated Dusty Hernandez Harrison in a thrilling bout that took place on September 15th in Philadelphia.

In that bout, LaManna fought a good fight and had solid moments throughout the hotly contested bout that was for the USBA Welterweight title.

LaManna is moving back up to the 154 pound division where LaManna is undefeated (7-0 between 148-154 pounds) in the division for which he turned professional in 2011.

LaManna won his first 16 bouts, where enjoyed wins over Ashanti Gibbs and Jamaal Davis.

After suffering his first professional defeat to undefeated middleweight prospect Antoine Douglas, LaManna ripped off five consecutive victories that was highlighted by by a 4th round stoppage over Kendal Mena (20-3).

"I'm looking forward to displaying my boxing skills against this rugged veteran," said LaManna He's been in the ring with a lot of good fighters and former world champions, but never been in there with me. I feel my height, youth and size will play a big role in this fight but it's all about making adjustments and fighting the smartest fight possible to get the win."

“My last fight, I took a L but that stands for “Lesson” and since that lesson, I’ve been training extremely hard and I’m very focus at this task at hand.”

Flores of Quito, Ecuador is a 52-fight veteran and sports a record of 25-24-3 with 15 knockouts.

The 30 year-old Flores is a 10 year professional, who has taken on the best fighters in the 135-154 pound divisions such as former world champions Carlos Baldomir, Diego Chaves & Kermit Cintron as well as 19 other undefeated opponents, for which Flores had three wins and a draw.

Flores is coming off a six-round unanimous decision defeat to undefeated Sammy Valentin (9-0) on November 18th in Kissimmee, Florida.

In the six-round co-feature, light heavyweight Chuck Mussachio (19-3-2, 5 K0’s) of Wildwood, New Jersey will fight Michael Mitchell (3-7-2, 1 K0) of Paterson, New Jersey.

Mitchell has faced terrific competition and has only been stopped once, and has fought four undefeated fighters.

Also scheduled to appear in a six-round bout will be:

Super Middleweight Gabriel Pham (6-1, 2 K0’s) of Pleasantville, NJ. takes on Jose Valderrama (5-17, 3 K0’s) of Manati, Puerto Rico.

John Bauza (5-0, 2 K0’s) of North Bergen, NJ will battle Tyrome Jones (4-0, 1 K0) of South Bend, Indiana in a battle of undefeated junior welterweights.

In four-round bouts:

Ernesto Perez of Vineland, NJ will make his pro debut against Courtney McCleave (2-5, 1 K0) of Concord, North Carolina in a junior middleweight bout.

Jamil Simmons of Pleasantville, NJ will make his pro debut against Tomas Romain (0-1) of Brooklyn, NY in a lightweight bout.

Bantamweight Dallas Holden of Atlantic City (1-0) will take on pro debuting Matthew Lyall of Pleasantville, NJ.

Quian Davis (4-0-2) of Mays Landing, New Jersey battles Demonte Cherry (1-2,1 K0) of North Carolina in a heavyweight bout.

Emmanuel Rodriguez of Quebradillas, Puerto Rico will make his pro debut against Weusi Johnson (1-2) of Wilmington, Delaware in a bantamweight bout.

Dan Murray (1-0) of Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey squares off with Nahir Albright (0-1) of Sicklerville, New Jersey in a junior welterweight bout.

Also scheduled to compete in four-round bouts will be junior welterweight Bryne Green (7-9-1, 3 K0's) of Paulsboro, NJ & welterweight Yurik Mamedov (3-0, 1 K0) of Brooklyn, NY against opponents to be announced.

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THERE WILL BE A PRESS CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 20TH IN ATLANTIC CITY—DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Thomas “Cornflake” LaManna

returns to action on Saturday, January 28th at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City

Atlantic City, NJ (December 22, 2016) – Thomas “Cornflake” LaManna will return to the ring in an eight-round junior middleweight bout on Saturday night, January 28th at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The bout will headline a card promoted by Rising Promotions.

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“I’m excited to be getting back in the ring at The Claridge!

It's like my adopted home in Atlantic City and the whole staff over there have been nothing but great to me and my Rising Star Promotions crew," said LaManna. "My last fight with Dusty was a rough one for me, I feel I was robbed of a decision win or at least a draw. I took some time off, enjoyed time with family and friends but I've been training for the passed 2 months and camp has been going really well."

"This is my second fight with new trainer Ray McCline and we expect to put on a show come January 28th."

"I'm looking for big fights in 2017, possibly another title fight and TV exposure but my main focus is on January 28th."

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Also scheduled to appear in a six-round bout will be:

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Also scheduled to compete in four-round bouts will be heavyweight Quian Davis (4-0-2) of Mays Landing, NJ; junior welterweight Bryne Green (7-9-1, 3 KO's) of Paulsboro, NJ;

junior welterweight Dan Murray (1-0) of Lanoka, NJ; welterweight Yurik Mamedov (3-0, 1 KO) of Brooklyn, NY & bantamweight Dallas Holden (1-0) of Atlantic City.

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Rising Promotions signs Isiah Seldon, Marvin Johnson, Dan Murray, David Sparks, Dion Sparks & Dallas Holden to promotional contracts

Millville NJ (October 3, 2016)–Rising Promotions is proud to announce the signings of super middleweight Isiah Seldon, super lightweight's Marvin Johnson & Dan Murray, bantamweight Dallas Holden, cruiserweight David Sparks and featherweight Dion Sparks to exclusive promotional contracts.

They join undefeated heavyweight Quian Davis (3-0-2, 2 KO's) as the first group of fighters to ink contracts under the Rising Promotions banner.

Davis is coming off a 28 second knockout this past Saturday night in Trenton, New Jersey over Jonathan Hafley

Seldon of Atlantic City, New Jersey has a record of 9-1 with three knockouts.

The 28 year-old son of former WBA Heavyweight world champion, Bruce Seldon, turned professional in 2010 and won his first

seven bouts. Following his lone blemish, Seldon has won two fights in 2016, which includes his latest outing when won a six-round unanimous decision over Eddie Edmond on May 27th in Atlantic City.

“I am happy and excited. I know they will keep me busy and they are bringing boxing back to Atlantic City. It’s a blessing,” said Seldon.

Johnson has a record of 1-0-1. The Bridgeton, New Jersey native is had a long amateur career of 211-31. He was a 2007 National PAL in 2007 and 6 time in Florida PAL champion. Johnson was a 3 time time Ringside World Championship Runner-Up; 3 time National PAL Runner-Up Johnson is

24 years-old and turned professional in 2014, and is is coming off a four-round unanimous decision over Lamont White on July 22nd in Atlantic City.

“It’s a blessing and great opportunity in my career. It puts my family in a better position. It gives me a good opportunity to fight in front of my hometown fans. I want to thank Debbie LaManna, Thomas LaManna and Vinny LaManna. It has effected and changed my family lives. I was on the shelf for a year and now I get the opportunities to show my skills,” said Johnson.

Murray, 24 years-old of Barnegat, New Jersey was 26-7 as an amateur. He was a New Jersey Golden Gloves and New Jersey Diamond Gloves champion.

Murray trains at the Atlantic City PAL.

“I am very excited and ready to go out and show the world what I have to offer, I am glad to sign with Rising Promotions and I will show everyone what I am all about. I worked very hard and hard work pays off,” said Murray

Holden, 20 years-old of Atlantic City was a highly regarded amateur who amassed 50 fights. Holden fought in the

Philadelphia Golden Gloves. He has a professional record of 1-0. Holden turned professional on July 22nd with a four-round unanimous decision over Kevin Asmat in Atlantic City.

“I have known Thomas for a long time and its going to be a good thing. It’s going to open a lot of doors. Because of my amateur career, people know me and now they want to see me fight as a professional,” said Holden.

David Sparks of Brooklyn, New York has a record of 2-0. The 31 year-old turned professional in 2014 and in his latest outing, he won a four-round unanimous decision over Marcellus Yates on March 28, 2015 in Queens, New York

Before turning pro, Sparks competed in 80 amateur fights and amassed 3 National championships, Golden Gloves and Ringside world championships

“Signing came at a great time. We needed a break in our career. We have been going through some difficult things. I expect to fight a lot . Hopefully every month or two. I am always in the gym. Hopefully eight to ten fights.

Dion Sparks, 19 years old, had 135 amateur fights. He won 3 national championships and 2 world championships, and at one point was ranked number-one in the United States.

“This is every exciting. I can do really great with Rising Promotions. I am young and talented. We been all over including at Mayweather Gym. I am always in shape and I am ready to fight. I have great expectations. I would like to fight 8 to 10 times and just stay active. I think within two or three years, we can get the right fights and fight for a championship. They set them up and we will knock them down,” said Dion Sparks. “we appreciate Rich Masini and all he has done for us.

“We are very excited to announce out first signings,” said Thomas LaManna of Rising Promotions. “When we started the

promotion, one of our missions was to give local fighters opportunities to showcase their abilities. So to have signed five fighters from New Jersey and two from New York is a great start for us. I think because of the success of our series at The Claridge has and will continue to attract top talent from this area. We will continue to look for and sign the best fighters and continue to put on the top-notch shows that we have over the past year.”

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