

# Boardwalk Brawls–Webster vs Harris Press Conference quotes

Atlantic City, New Jersey (August 3, 2017)–Below are quotes from Thursday afternoon's press conference at the Flagship Resort in Atlantic City before Saturday night's Boardwalk Brawls card at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The card, which is promoted by Mis Downing Promotions in association with Square Ring Promotions is headlined by super middleweight Derrick Webster (23-1, 12 KOs) of Glassboro, New Jersey taking on Lamar Harris (9-13-4, 5 KOs) of Saint Louis in a bout scheduled for eight-rounds.

## PRESS CONFERENCE QUOTES

Derrick Webster–“This fight is going to be very exciting. This is going to be an action-packed card. I want to thank Roy Jones, Jr. Roy always has time for anybody who wants to take a picture. I don't know what I would do without him.”

Prince Badi Ajamu–“I look forward to this special and great show. I have been helping a lot of fighters out over the years, and when you put that kind of energy and effort out, I want to be on the main stage and help myself. I am not over looking Perez. You might think a fighter is not good, but he is as good as he is the night of the fight so I am not taking anyone lightly. I am expecting him to come with his best.”

Zhang Zhilei–“I am from China and I came here three years ago to pursue my dream of being a professional boxer. I want to thank everyone for this opportunity, and it will be a great fight.”

Shaddy Gamhour–“I am from Sweden, but I am very happy for this

opportunity to fight in Atlantic City. I been here training three months, so this is just another fight.”

Roy Jones Jr—” It is very inspirational to see people come in and strive to do things we want to do in our careers. I had my 2nd career fight here in Atlantic City, and this is something we should bring back. I am happy to bringing my guys to fight on Mis Downing’s cards. It is possible that I will have a rematch with Prince Badi, but he has to do what he needs to do on Saturday.”

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## **After eight year hiatus, Prince Badi Ajamu back with a purpose**

Atlantic City, New Jersey (August 2, 2017)—In 2009, and after winning two in a row, Light Heavyweight contender Prince Badi Ajamu walked away from the ring at age 37.

Ajamu, who was a perennial contender had a record of 27-3-1 with 15 knockouts, but decided that he needed some time away from competitive action.

Fast forward eight years, Ajamu steps back in the ring as he takes on Edgar Perez in the six-round co-feature bout this Saturday night at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The card, which will be headlined by super middleweight Derrick Webster (23-1, 12 KOs) of Glassboro, New Jersey taking on Lamar Harris (9-13-4, 5 KOs) of Saint Louis, Missouri in a bout scheduled for eight rounds, is promoted by Mis Downing Promotions and Square Ring Promotions.

Ajamu, now 45 years-old of Camden, New Jersey has kept in great shape while away from the squared circle.

"I have been helping people in the gym the whole time, and I decided that if I am putting time in that, I mind as well get back in there and do this on my own," said Ajamu.

Ajama also believes that being in the ring will also help fight for a cause that he has been involved with for sometime.

"What better way to bring attention to child abduction, which is a big problem in this country then to be in the ring and help get the message out there."

Ajama said that at age 45 that this is not a one-and-done situation, as he plans to stick around for specific purposes.

"The goal is take this as far as I can. I want to win another title and tie another Camden legend, "Jersey" Joe Walcott," said the former Pennsylvania, IBC Inter-Continental, WBC Continental Americas, WBC Caribbean, , WBO NABO and World Boxing Foundation Light Heavyweight champion.

Another goal is a rematch with legendary Roy Jones, Jr.

Jones defeated Ajama in 2006, and its's more than a coincidence that Jones will be in a attendance as a co-promoter for the event.

"Yes there is definitely a reason why I am on this card, and Roy is co-promoting, but I have to get past Perez. I know he is a tough fighter who comes forward, and he is capable as I know Lavarn Harvell who was undefeated at the time that he beat him."

"I have been in the gym, and have been working on things. You will see a more technical version of me,. Like I said I been in the gym, and now I want to use the energy on something significant."

Also on the bill will be former United States Olympian Terrance Cauthen (36-8, 9 KO's) of Trenton, NJ will fight Nick Valliere (5-2, 2 KO's) of Forked River, New Jersey in a six-

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# Derrick Webster looking for big fight; targeting George Groves

Atlantic City, New Jersey (August 1, 2017)–Super Middleweight contender Derrick Webster is looking to fight the elite of the division, but he first first must get by Lamar Harris in a scheduled eight-round bout that will headline a big night of boxing at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The show is promoted by Mis Downing Promotions and Square Ring Promotions.

Webster of Glassboro, New Jersey has a record of 23-1 with 12 knockouts.

Webster has been on a roll, and now he looks to continue his momentum against Harris.

“I really don’t know much about him. I just know that he knows that he is fighting me. I don’t know him, but I am sure he knows who I am,” said Webster.

Webster attributes his most recent success to a more active schedule as this will be his 3rd fight of this year and 5th fight in the last 14 months.

“The more that I fight, the more consistent that I am. When I had other people in charge of my career, I was fighting less frequent. Maybe fighting every six or seven months. Now I have been more active and that goes hand in hand with my performances. I was getting in the ring to trying shake off ring-rust and now I am going in there not worrying about that.”

Webster is not overlooking Harris, but He is looking to close of 2017 fighting higher level of opponents, and in 2018

looking for a big title shot.

“My target is WBA champion George Groves. I never wanted to face Harris. I wanted to fight guys with better records and for many reasons including opponents pricing themselves out, but guys won’t fight me. I do appreciate that Harris stepped up for the challenge so I respect him for that. Hopefully I can fight someone like Mike Tiberi next for a major regional title, then have my eye towards a world title in 2018.”

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## **Derrick Webster to take on Lamar Harris on Saturday, August 5th at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City**

Atlantic City, New Jersey (July 27, 2017)—Super Middleweight contender Derrick Webster will take on Lamar Harris in the main event on Saturday night, August 5th at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

The show is promoted by Mid Downing Promotions and Square Ring Promotions.

Webster of Glassboro, New Jersey has a record of 23-1 with 12 knockouts.

The 35 year-old is an eight year-professional, and is riding a four-fight winning streak.



Webster won his first 19 bouts, which was highlighted by a first round stoppage over Obodai Sai (23-1). Since suffering his only professional blemish, which was a unanimous decision defeat to Arif Magomedov on ShoBox: The New Generation, Webster has rebounded nicely with wins over Thomas Awimbono (25-5) to win the USB0 Super Middleweight title, and his last outing when he stopped Frankie Filippone (22-5-1) in seven rounds on May 13th in Atlantic City, New Jersey to win the World Boxing Foundation International Super Middleweight title.

Harris of St. Louis, Missouri has a record of 9-13-4 with five knockouts.

The 32 year-old is a 12-year professional who has a win over previously undefeated Earl Walker (7-0) and a draw with undefeated Aaron Quintana (4-0).

Harris has been in the ring with 13 undefeated opponents which includes fights with former world champion Shawn Porter, former world title challenger Matt Korobov as well as perennial contender J'Leon Love.

Harris has dropped two in a row, with the last being an 8th round stoppage defeat to Dennis Morris on April 29th in Madison, Wisconsin.

In the eight-round co-feature, come-backing cruiserweight Prince Badi Ajamu (27-3-1, 15 K0's) of Camden, NJ will take on Edgar Perez (7-21, 3 Kos) of Chicago.

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**Gabriel Pham seeks 3rd**

# straight win this Saturday when he takes on Edgar Perez at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City

Atlantic City, NJ (June 7, 2017)–Super Middleweight Gabriel Pham (8-1, 4 K0's) will look for his 3rd consecutive victory when he takes on veteran Edgar Perez in a bout scheduled for six-rounds that will be part of a packed undercard this Saturday night at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City

The show is promoted by Rising Promotions.

In the main event, Thomas “Cornflake” LaManna (22-2, 9 K0's) takes on Carlos Winston Velasquez (24-28-2, 15 K0's) in an eight-round welterweight contest

Since suffering his only professional blemish, the 28 year-old Pham of Atlantic City, New Jersey has stopped his two previous opponents.

Pham believes he will only get better as his trainer, Chuck Eisenbeis will be back in his corner after being absent from Pham's last couple of bouts.

“It is good to have him back. He taught me everything that I know,” said Pham. “We have been working on footwork, and my jab. I have seen the improvement everyday. Chuck has been working with some UFC fighters and it is great to have him back.”

In Perez he is taking on a durable fighter, who has faced many top prospects, 13 undefeated fighters and a world champion in Jermall Charlo.

“He is a Puerto Rican. I know he is tough as I am Puerto Rican

as well. He has 27 fights, so that is three-times more than I have. He is experienced and he goes rounds for the most part. I have seen some film where can be slick, so I have to be cautious of that. I have been working hard, so I am confident that I will get the job done.”

With a win, Pham can see himself getting into contention for some regional title opportunities.

“A win will set me up for a step up fight. I will discuss that with my manager after this fight. I am happy where I am at as this will be the 3rd fight this year for me and this is by far the busiest stretch of my career. I am looking to impress the fans and keep doubling the expectations with each fight. This will be a top-shelf performance. I want to stop this guy. I don’t go in looking for it, but if I see that I have him staggered or hurt, I will try to get him out of there.”

In the eight-round co-feature, Anthony “Juice” Young (16-2, 6 KO’s) of Atlantic City battles George Sosa (15-8, 15 KO’s) of New Jersey in a welterweight bout.

In six-round bouts:

Frederick Julian (4-0, 2 KO’s) of Cambaul, France will take on Jose Valderrama (5-19, 3 KO’s) of Manati, PR in a light heavyweight bout.

Dan Pasciolla (9-2-2) of Brick, NJ will battle Lemarcus Tucker (4-2, 2 KO’s) of Batesville, AR in a rematch of heavyweights. Pasciolla took the first bout this past March via six-round split decision.

In four-round bouts:

Donald Smith (4-0, 3 KO’s) of Philadelphia will take on Sidell Blocker (1-7-1) of Pleasantville, NJ in a super featherweight bout.

Chris Thomas (6-0, 3 KO’s) of Toms River, NJ will take on

Oscar Valdez (1-2, 1 KO) of Batesville, AR in a middleweight bout

Elijah Vines (3-0, 3 KO'ts) of Philadelphia will take on Henry Tyrone Paige (0-4) of Batesville, ARK in a junior middleweight tilt.

Tomas Romain (2-1) of Brooklyn, NY will fight Lamont White (1-7, 1 KO) of Washington, DC in a lightweight bout.

THE WEIGH IN WILL BE STREAMED LIVE THIS FRIDAY AT 3 PM ET ON THE RISING PROMOTIONS FACEBOOK PAGE

Tickets for this great evening of boxing are priced at \$150, \$125, \$100, \$80 and \$55 and can be purchased at [www.rspboxing.com](http://www.rspboxing.com)

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## **Anthony “Juice” Young takes on Rogelio Casarez in headline bout on Saturday, March 11th at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City**

Atlantic City, NJ (February 14, 2017)–Anthony “Juice” Young will take on Rogelio Casarez in a welterweight bout scheduled for 8-rounds that will headline a big night of boxing on Saturday, March 11th at The Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City.

This will be the 7th card promoted at the Claridge by Rising Promotions.

Young of Atlantic City has a record of 15-2 with six knockouts.

The 29 year-old Young turned professional in 2011, and won his first ten bouts, which was highlighted by a win over Jose Javier Calderon (4-1-1).

After suffering his 1st loss, Young has won five of his last six, including four straight. In his last bout, Young won a six-round unanimous decision over James Robinson on January 20th in Atlantic City.

This will be Young's 9th appearance in Atlantic City.

"I don't know too much about my opponent, but I will be ready for him. I do know that he has a good record and is moving up in weight," said Young. "It's always good to fight at home in Atlantic City. I get to sleep in my bed, and get to fight in front of my hometown fans."

Casarez of Batesville, Arkansas has a record of 13-5 with 5 knockouts.

The 26 year-old is a five year-professional. On July 9, 2016, Casarez traveled all the way to Chengdu, China, and won a 12-round unanimous decision and upset the previously undefeated Ronnakit Boontree (8-0) to capture the NABF Junior Lightweight title.

On October 29, he defended that title with 12-round unanimous decision over Blake Franklin in Batesville, Arkansas.

"I watched some tape of Young, and he is fast and moves well," said Casarez. "I know that I am stronger, and will bring pressure to him. I feel confident after the win in China. That fight gave me good experience and it taught me that I just need to be in 100% condition to win fights, and it really does not matter where I fight."

In the 6-round co-feature, Gabriel Pham (7-1, 3 KO's) of

Atlantic City will take on Edgar Perez (7-19, 3 K0's) of Chicago in a super middleweight bout.

Also in 6-round bouts:

Yurik Mamedov (4-0, 2 K0's) of Brooklyn, NY will fight Rafael Montalvo (3-5, 3 K0's) of St. Clair, PA in a welterweight bout.

John Magda (11-1, 7 K0's) of Rutherford, NJ will take on Wesley Maldonado (8-2, 7 K0's) of Arecibo, Puerto Rico in a light heavyweight bout.

Dan Pasciolla (8-2) of Brick, NJ will take on LeMarcus Tucker (4-1, 2 K0's) of Forrest City, Arkansas in a heavyweight bout.

In 4-round bouts:

Brendon Barrett (4-0-2, 4 K0's) of Little Egg Harbor, NJ will take on Brian Donahue (3-13-3) in a heavyweight bout.

LeRoy Davila (5-0, 3 K0's) of New Brunswick, NJ will take on an opponent to be named in a bantamweight bout.

Adrian Wilson (0-3) of Atlantic City will take on Harry Tyrone Paige (0-3) of Little Rock Arkansas in a welterweight affair.

Tomas Romain (1-1) of New York, New York will fight Sidell Blocker (1-6-1) of Pleasantville, NJ in a lightweight fight.

There will be several amateur bouts that will precede the professional bouts beginning at 6 PM ET.

Tickets for this great evening of boxing are \$150, \$80 and \$55 and can be purchased at [www.RSPboxing.com](http://www.RSPboxing.com)

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# Dyah Davis, "My Father's spirit lives in me"

IMMOKALEE, FL. (January 28, 2016) – It has been about a month since Howard Davis Jr. passed away.

The former Olympic star and professional was one of the most well liked people in the boxing community. During the process of Davis falling ill, his son Dyah was by his side and he now vows to carry on the boxing legacy set forth by his father.

Davis of Coconut Creek, Florida will be back in the ring for the first time in a 17 months, will take on Edgar Perez on Sunday at the Seminole Casino Hotel Immokalee.

Davis has been trying to get back in the ring sooner, but could not find anyone to step up and fight him.

"I was trying to get fights and I always am decent shape", said the 34 year-old Davis.

"I guess that I am too much trouble for contenders and too dangerous for prospects. I guess that means I am high risk and no reward."

When his father passed away on December 30, 2015, Davis began to get even more motivated about his career.

"I found my motivation with the passing of my father. His legacy will continue on through me. His spirit is in me. My father was my best friend. He always knew that I have the ability and now it is time to show the world that."

With a possible fight on the horizon and his father living out his last days, Davis made the most of his time with Howard.

"My main objective in his last few weeks was to spend as much time as possible. We didn't talk too much boxing. We watched



some of his old tapes as we just saw the impact he made on so many people. It made me feel great to see the people who reached out following his passing. Lots of people reached out in so many ways.”

Dyah feels he has a new start in boxing as he has inked a deal with Marshall Kauffman’s King’s Promotions.

“I am fortunate that Marshall is giving me a shot. He has put on a lot of shows in the past couple years and I am looking for bigger fights. As seen by my record, I will fight anybody. It just seems everybody wants an easy route these days. My route is that I want to fight only big fights. I feel like I can get there by fighting the best. This is just a fight to get back in the mix of things. I really don’t know anything about him. I will get in there and take care of him.”

“The fans should look forward to see a new and improved Dyah Davis. My father’s spirit lives within and i will carry on his legacy.”

Davis – Perez is part of the undercard of a great night of boxing that will be showcased on PBC: The Next Round on Bounce TV. The telecast begins at 9 p.m. ET/PT and is headlined by undefeated rising star Erickson “The Hammer” Lubin taking on Mexican brawler Jose De Jesus Macias in a 10-round super welterweight battle while welterweights Alex “El Pollo” De Jesus and Joseph Elegele meet in an eight-round showdown.

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## **Undefeated and world ranked**

# **Jerry Odom returns this Saturday in Springfield, Virginia**

Springfield, VA (APRIL 22, 2014)–This Saturday night at the Springfield ABC, undefeated and world-ranked Super Middleweight Jerry “The Kings Son” Odom will make his 4th start in as many months when he takes on Edgar Perez in a six round bout on a card that is promoted by Jeter Promotions and RBA Promotions.

Odom is promoted by GH3 Promotions

Odom of Bowie, Maryland is 10-0 with 10 knockouts which shot him up to number-15 by the WBA. He has been picking up the competition as evidenced by his 1st round destruction over Douglas Otieno Okola on April 4 in Parsippany, New Jersey.

Perez of Chicago has a a record of 5-8 with three knockouts.

The combined record of his last 8 opponents is 68-3-1 which includes bouts with Steven Martinez, Jermall Charlo, Anthony Ogogo, Antoine Douglas and his last bout on January 10 with Joel De La Paz.

Tickets are \$50 for General Admission and \$75 for VIP.