

ADAM LOPEZ & ROMAN REYNOSO FIGHT TO A DRAW IN MAIN EVENT OF 15th ANNIVERSARY TELECAST OF SHOBOX: THE NEW GENERATION FRIDAY ON SHOWTIME®

MASHANTUCKET, Conn. (July 23, 2016) – With a potential title shot on the line, Adam Lopez and Roman Reynoso fought to a 10-round draw in the main event of the 15-year anniversary telecast of ShoBox: The New Generation Friday on SHOWTIME® from Foxwoods Resort Casino.

In attendance ringside before the fight, newly crowned IBF Junior Featherweight World Champion Jonathan Guzman (22-0, 22 KOs) announced that he'd like fight the winner of Lopez-Reynoso, raising the stakes for this matchup of 122-pound prospects. While the fight was close and entertaining, analyst Steve Farhood, who has called all 219 ShoBox telecasts, didn't believe either fighter did enough to earn an immediate title shot against Guzman.

The fight looked like a toss-up heading into the 10th – with Lopez leading by just one connect after nine rounds – and the Ronnie Shields pupil came up with a huge final round rally. The undefeated prospect hurt Reynoso (18-1-2, 7 KOs) in the final seconds with a flurry of shots, forcing the Argentine spit out his mouthpiece to buy himself nearly 30 seconds of rest. Seemingly out on his feet, Reynoso somehow survived the onslaught without falling to the canvas before the final bell. Lopez (15-0-1, 7 KOs) out-landed Reynoso 34-21 overall and 34-20 in power shots in the final round, but it wasn't enough to earn him the victory.

Judge Don Ackerman saw Lopez a 96-94 winner, while Bill Morande had it 97-93 Reynoso, and Peter Hary cast the deciding ballot at 95-95. All three judges scored the last round 10-9 for Lopez. Had Reynoso fell to the canvas in the final seconds, the 10-8 round would have given Lopez the win.

"It was a tough fight. He didn't want to engage," said Lopez, who out-landed Reynoso 158-144 overall and 131-125 in power shots. "He's slick and experienced and a good fighter. I feel that this was my best performance on ShoBox. I have been working on new things with Ronnie Shields and it showed in there. I know I hurt him in the last round.

"The decision was bullshit. He could not hit me."

"It was a close fight, but I feel I won," Reynoso said. "He never hurt me. The only thing that surprised me is that he was more aggressive than in other fights. I hurt my hand from hitting him."

Late replacement Jerry Odom knocked out previously once-beaten Julius Jackson with a vicious third round knockout (1:57) in the ShoBox co-feature.

Jackson (19-2, 15 KOs), the son of former two-division world champion Julian "The Hawk" Jackson, was outworking Odom through two rounds, who took the fight 10-days notice after Ronaldo Ellis suffered a hand injury. That was until Washington, D.C.'s Odom (14-2-1, 13 KOs) clocked Jackson with a flush right counter shot with one minute left in the third, spelling the end for Jackson, who couldn't beat the count and suffered his second consecutive knockout loss.

"I saw the right hand. I was throwing combinations and I saw the opening and landed a good shot," Odom said. "As opposed to the last couple fights, I am in a great place physically, mentally and spiritually. I have a great team around me. We are unbreakable."

“He threw the punch at the right time and caught me,” Jackson said. “I was OK, but the referee stopped the fight. I felt up until that point, I was boxing well and winning every round.”

Rolando Chinaea won a close, eight-round split decision victory over O’Shaquie Foster (10-2, 7 KOs) in a matchup of lightweights, scored 79-73 (Chinaea), 77-75 (Foster) and 78-74 (Chinaea).

Chinaea (13-1-1, 6 KOs) was the aggressor, dictating the tempo of the fight from the outset. And while most rounds were extremely close – closer than the relatively wide scorecards – Chinaea’s activity was the difference. Chinaea threw 733 total punches, compared to 641 for Foster, and he edged Foster by nearly 150 power punches (592-449).

“He is a hell of a fighter and it was fun to fight him,” said Chinaea, who was largely able to minimize the jab, Foster’s best weapon. “Like I said before the fight, he could not take pressure. I brought the pressure. I blocked and slipped a lot of his punches. My will and desire to win outweighed his will to punch.

“He did not take my pressure well. I worked my shots well inside and that was a difference in the fight.”

Foster, who’s record fell to 10-2 with 7 KOs, complained that he “had distractions and couldn’t focus.”

In the opening bout of the telecast, Ian Green handed previously undefeated super welterweight prospect Khiary Gray the first loss of his career with a stunning second round TKO (2:50).

With former world champion and fellow Paterson, N.J., Kendall Holt in his corner, Green (10-1, 8 KOs) came from behind to floor Gray with a big right cross to the chin that sent him tumbling face-forward into the canvas. Gray, a local favorite from nearby Worchester, Mass., tried to hold on with just 30

seconds left in the round, but he couldn't make it to the break and was falling backward into the ropes when the referee halted the contest.

"I got him good, and I got him out of there," said Green, who out-landed Gray 14-0 in the final minute. "He got me good one time, but I kept my left hand up and hung in there. We're going all the way up. This is just the start."

Gray (13-1, 10 KOs), who was seemingly in control of the fight and rocking Green with ease, became the 151st fighter to suffer his initial defeat on the prospect developmental series.

"He just caught me," Gray said. "I don't even know what punch it was. I didn't even see it. I tried to hold on and waste some time, but I got caught again. I just need to get back to the gym and fix my mistakes. I'll bounce back."

Friday's four-fight telecast will re-air this Monday at 10 p.m. ET/PT on SHOWTIME EXTREME.

Barry Tompkins called the ShoBox action from ringside with Steve Farhood and former world champion Raul Marquez serving as expert analysts. The executive producer was Gordon Hall with Rich Gaughan producing and Rick Phillips directing.

The event was promoted by GH3 Promotions in association with Classic Entertainment & Sports Inc. (CES) and Sampson Boxing.

Video: Ramon Ruben Reynoso

talks Adam Lopez fight

Video: Adam Lopez talks about his fight with Roman Ruben Reynoso

Video: Lopez Reynoso ShoBox Weigh in

Five members of GH3 Promotions stable to be on display this Friday on ShoBox: The New Generation at

Foxwoods

NEW YORK (July 18 2016) – This Friday at Foxwoods Resort Casino, GH3 Promotions will feature five of it's brightest prospects on a ShoBox: The New Generation card that will be broadcast live on SHOWTIME (10 p.m. ET/PT).

In the 10-round main event, undefeated top 10-ranked Adam "Mantequilla" Lopez (15-0, 7 KOs), of San Antonio, faces Roman Ruben Reynoso (18-1-1, 7 KOs), of Argentina, in a super bantamweight bout. Super middleweights Jerry Odom (13-2-1, 11 KOs) of Baltimore, and Julius Jackson (19-1, 15 KOs) of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, will collide in the eight-round co-feature.

Two eight-rounders will round out the four-fight telecast. O'Shaquie Foster (10-1, 7 KOs), of Orange, Texas, meets Rolando Chinaea (12-1-1, 6 KOs), of Lancaster, Penn., in a lightweight scrap.

Before the cameras roll, two United States Olympic Alternates will also see action as super flyweight LeRoy Davila (1-0, 1 KO), of New Brunswick, N.J., battled Edgar Cortes (2-2) of Vineland, N.J.

Also, Brent Venegas III, of Elk Grove, Calif., will make his pro debut against an opponent to be named in a bantamweight bout.

"We are very excited about Friday," said GH3 Promotios CEO Vito Mielnicki. "Adam Lopez is a couple of fights away from winning a world title. Jerry Odom has a real chance to put himself as a contender in the super middleweight division. O'Shaquie Foster is in a good fight to build on his last performance. We are really looking forward to seeing LeRoy Davila and Brent Venegas. They are the next two fighters that we are developing and they have huge upsides. We hope to fight them regularly and hope to have them on ShoBox in the next

year or so.”

Tickets for the GH3 Promotions event are priced at \$45, \$75 and \$150 and can be purchased by phone from the Foxwoods Resort Casino at 800.200.2882 or online at www.foxwoods.com.

JERRY ODOM TO FACE JULIUS JACKSON IN MATCHUP OF SUPER MIDDLEWEIGHTS NEXT FRIDAY, JULY 22 ON SHOBOX: THE NEW GENERATION

NEW YORK (July 15, 2016) – Prospect Jerry Odom steps up to face Julius Jackson in a matchup of super middleweights next Friday, July 22 on ShoBox: The New Generation live on SHOWTIME (10 p.m. ET/PT) from Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn.

The hard-hitting Odom (13-2-1, 12 KOs) replaces Ronald Ellis, who pulled out of the bout on Thursday with a right hand injury.

Odom was deep in training and looking to bounce back from a controversial draw with Ellis in February on ShoBox when he received the opportunity to face Jackson (19-1, 15 KOs). Jackson is the older brother of John and son of former two-division world champion Julian “The Hawk” Jackson.

“I have been training for a few fights that fell through. I’m in shape and ready to go,” Odom said. “When my team got the

call we decided it was the right decision to take this opportunity.

“My power will be a big factor. Jackson has faced punchers before, but he hasn’t faced one like me. This is a great opportunity, and I will put on a show next Friday.”

Undefeated top 10-ranked super bantamweight Adam “Mantequilla” Lopez (15-0, 7 KOs) faces Roman Ruben Reynoso (18-1-1, 7 KOs) in the 10-round main event. In an eight round lightweight bout, O’Shaquie Foster (10-1, 7 KOs) meets Rolando Chinaea (12-1-1, 6 KOs).

The July 22 ShoBox telecast marks the 15-year anniversary of the celebrated prospect developmental series.

SHOBOX: THE NEW GENERATION CELEBRATES 15TH ANNIVERSARY WITH FOUR-FIGHT TELECAST

NEW YORK (June 29, 2016) – The popular, prospect-orientated boxing series, ShoBox: The New Generation celebrates its 15th anniversary with a quadrupleheader on Friday, July 22, live on SHOWTIME (10 p.m. ET/PT, delayed on the West Coast) from Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn.

In the 10-round main event, undefeated top 10-ranked Adam “Mantequilla” Lopez (15-0, 7 KOs) of Phoenix faces Roman Ruben Reynoso (18-1-1, 7 KOs) of Argentina in a bantamweight bout. Super middleweights Ronald Ellis (12-0-1, 10 KOs) of Lynn., Mass., and Julius Jackson (19-1, 15 KOs) of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, will collide in the eight-round co-feature.

Two eight-rounders will round out the four-fight telecast. O'Shaquie Foster (10-1, 7 KOs), of Orange, Texas, meets Rolando Chinae (12-1-1, 6 KOs), of Lancaster, Penn., in a featherweight scrap and undefeated Khiary Gray-Pitts (13-0, 10 KOs), of Worcester, Mass., will be opposed by fellow unbeaten Ismael Garcia (10-0, 4 KOs), of Vineland, N.J., by way of Pahokee, Fla., in the super welterweight opener.

Tickets for the GH3 Promotions event are priced at \$45, \$75 and \$150 and can be purchased by phone from the Foxwoods Resort Casino at 800.200.2882 or online at www.foxwoods.com.

Since its premiere on July 21, 2001, 67 boxers who've appeared on ShoBox went on to become world champions; the most recent, Rau'Shee Warren. An additional 75 fighters who appeared on ShoBox have fought for a world title.

Testament to the ShoBox mission statement and to the competitiveness of the fights – prospects are matched against their toughest opposition to date – 150 fighters have suffered their first loss on the developmental series.

Lopez, Ellis and Foster fought on GH3's Feb. 19 ShoBox at Atlantic City. Lopez and Foster triumphed; Ellis boxed a draw.

Adam Lopez vs. Roman Ruben Reynoso: 10-round bantamweight bout
The steadily improving Lopez, now trained by Houston-based Ronnie Shields, will be making his fourth ShoBox start since March 2015. In his first three, he defeated previously unbeaten prospects (combined record: 44-0-2) on each occasion.

Last Feb. 19, the 5-foot-7, 25-year-old Lopez captured a career-best, highly competitive 10-round decision over Mario Muñoz (16-0-1) of Mexico. Lopez survived a nasty cut over his right eye to win by the scores of 98-92 twice and 97-93. In his other fights on ShoBox, Lopez won a (then personal-best) 10-round majority decision over Dominican Eliecer Aquino (17-0-1) on July 17, 2015, and by second-round knockout over Pablo Cruz (11-0) on March 13, 2015.

Regarding his upcoming fight against Reynoso, Lopez said, "Everything is good. I'm starting to turn up my sparring. I have switched trainers to Ronnie Shields in Houston. I see a lot of improvement since my last fight.

"Reynoso is a good fighter from Argentina. He is in Canada now, so I am sure he is getting good sparring there. He is kind of wild, but guys like that are hard to fight because you don't know where the punches are coming from, but we will be prepared for anything."

Born in Phoenix and raised in Los Angeles, Lopez moved to San Antonio at 15. He went 125-23 in the amateurs and won six national championships before turning pro at 21 in February 2012.

The 25-year-old Reynoso brings a 10-fight winning streak into his United States and ShoBox debut. A five-year pro, the South American lightweight champion fought his initial 18 fights in Buenos Aires before winning his last fight and lone start this year on a decision over Cristian Arrazola last May 20 in Canada. Reynoso's lone defeat came in his fourth fight.

"Everything is going well in training camp," Reynoso said. "We know that Lopez is tall for 122 pounds and he has good hand speed. He has a good name and we will try to learn more in the next few weeks.

"This is a big opportunity for us and we will do our best. This is a big fight and we know we have to win. With a win, we would hope to get a world title opportunity."

Ronald Ellis vs. Julius Jackson: Eight-round middleweight bout Ellis gets an immediate opportunity to regain his winning ways after taking a sizeable jump up in class and boxing an eight-round draw with hard-hitting Jerry Odom in his Feb. 19 ShoBox debut. A spirited, close contest throughout was scored 78-74 for Ellis and 76-76 apiece. The draw snapped a four-fight-knockout streak for Ellis, who's won all 10 of his knockouts

inside two rounds (eight in the first) since turning pro in 2011.

“This is going to be another coming out party for me,” the 5-foot-11, 25-year-old Ellis said. “The last fight was a draw. I had some problems with my hand, but I’m back and this is a step for me. Hopefully he comes to fight. I hope he brings it 100 percent because I am bringing 200 percent.

“I am glad to be on ShoBox again. I showed the fans a little bit in my last fight. They can expect the same thing but a little bit more on July 22.”

Jackson is making his second ShoBox start. In his debut – and initial go in the U.S. – the older brother of John and son of former two-division world champion Julian “The Hawk” Jackson registered two knockdowns en-route to a ninth-round TKO over Jonathan Nelson (19-2, 10 KOs) on Dec. 20, 2014.

Much like Ellis, Jackson is also getting a quick-fix chance to redeem himself and get back on the winning track. But, unlike Ellis, Jackson lost his most recent fight. His perfect record and 19-fight winning streak ended when he lost by second-round TKO to now top-rated super middleweight contender Jose Uzcategui last Oct. 6.

“I’m looking to redeem myself and come out with a win,” said the 6-foot-2 Jackson, who turns 29 on Aug. 1. “This is my second ShoBox fight and I’m excited to get back to let the world see my talent. I’m getting better, my training has been good. I expect to be in with another really good fighter. It should be a great fight.”

A 2008 Olympian for the Virgin Islands and a pro since January 2009, Jackson is fighting for the third time in a row in the U.S.

O’Shaquie Foster vs. Rolando Chinaea: Eight-round featherweight bout

O'Shaquie (pronounced "oh-SHACK-ee") Foster is making his third appearance on ShoBox. Last Feb. 19, he began to live up to expectations when he rebounded from a sub-standard performance in his ShoBox debut (an eight-round decision loss to Samuel Teah in November 2015) to register a seventh-round TKO over previously undefeated Lavisas Williams (8-0-1).

Foster, 22, dropped southpaw Williams four times – in the second, third, fourth and seventh rounds. Three of the knockdowns appeared to result from a push, but Williams' gloves touched the canvas each time so they went into the books as knockdowns. After the final knockdown in the seventh, the fight was stopped at 52 seconds into the round.

"Everything is going good," Foster said. "I've been doing a lot of conditioning. I am in the best shape of my life. Chinaea has a good jab and I know he will be in a good shape.

"Ever since I moved to Virginia to train, my conditioning, mentality and confidence has gone way up and that was the difference from my first fight to my last fight on ShoBox. On July 22, I will be even that much better."

A highly decorated amateur standout, the 5-foot-8½ inch Foster advanced to the 2012 U.S. Olympic Trials where he lost to unbeaten pro prospect, Joseph "Jo-Jo" Diaz. Before that, Foster was a 2010 PAL National Champion, a five-time Ringside National Champion and two-time National Junior Golden Gloves Champion.

Chinaea, a 5-foot-8, 25-year-old, is making his ShoBox debut. After going pro in November 2011, he went 10-0-1 before losing an eight-round decision to Ismail Muwendo in April 2015. He's won two straight since, including a six-round decision over previously undefeated Ladarius Miller (then 9-0) in his last fight on Feb. 16.

"I treat every opponent the same," Chinaea. "I give everything I got and I leave it all in the ring. I know Foster was a good

amateur. I know he can box and I know he has some pop.

“This is the moment I’ve dreamed about since I started boxing at 14. My main goal is to tune out the crowd and win. I want to be a main event fighter on SHOWTIME and this is the first step.”

Khiary Gray-Pitts vs. Ismael Garcia: Eight-round super welterweight bout

Gray-Pitts, 23, will be boxing on ShoBox for the first time. Ambidextrous with quick hands and feet, Gray-Pitts turned pro in June 2014. He fought three times that year, eight times in 2015 (8-0, 8 KOs, seven in the first, one in the second) and this will be his third fight in 2016.

“I’m very excited,” Gray-Pitts said. “Now I get to showcase my skillset to the whole world. It’s something I’ve been waiting for. There’s still more that people haven’t seen yet when it comes to me. Now I get to see what I have the ability to do. I’m able to block [the crowd] out.

“The more pressure there is, the more relaxed I am. I don’t know a lot about my opponent, but it doesn’t matter as long as I go in there and get done what I need to get done.”

The 5-foot-9 Gray-Pitts is coming off a second-round knockout over Quinton Willis last May 13. In his outing before last, the previous Feb. 19, won a 10-round decision over Eduardo Flores.

Garcia, 29, has fought sporadically since turning pro in March 2010, although he’s been more active in the last 14 months. He fought in May and October in 2015 and won his one start this year on a six-round split decision over Carlos Garcia last March 18. Garcia’s initial seven fights took place in Atlantic City, the last three in Philadelphia.

“It is my television debut, and everything we have been working on in my first 10 fights we will put together for this

fight," Garcia said. "This is SHOWTIME. Being on ShoBox is a long time coming for me. It's what I've dreamed about since I started boxing. It's his TV debut as well so I know he will be on top of his game. We will be preparing 100 percent for that and then some.

"I have seen a little of Gray-Pitts on tape. This will be my toughest test, as I will be his toughest test. When you have 13-0 fighting 10-0, it will be a good fight."

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