

# **VIDEO: Giovanni Santillan previews fight with Jeovannis Barraza**

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## **Undefeated Welterweight Giovanni Santillan takes on Jeovannis Barraza Saturday Night in ESPN Co-Feature**

New York, NY (April 8, 2022)- Undefeated welterweight contender Giovanni Santillan of Split-T Management will be back in action on Saturday night as he takes on Jeovannis Barraza in the co-feature bout of an ESPN card on Saturday night in Costa Mesa, California.

The 30 year-old Santillan of San Diego, has a record of 28-0 with 15 knockouts. A 10 year-veteran of the squared circle, Santillan is on the verge of a big fight. Of his 28 wins, some of his noted victories have been over Peter Haro (2-0), Michael Balasi (10-2), Daniyar Harryk (10-0), Osenohan Vazquez (7-1-1), Eduardo Rivera (9-1-2), Ernesto Ortiz Centeno (10-2), Omar Tieneda Bahena (18-3), Sammy Valentin (12-0), Dodzi Kahmeh (19-1), Alejandro Barboza (11-1), former world champion Antonio DeMarco, Cecil McCalla (23-4) and his last bout when he took a 10-round unanimous decision over Angel Ruiz (17-1) on October 15, 2021 in his hometown of San Diego.

Barraza of Barranquilla, Colombia is 23-2 with 15 knockouts.

The 26 year-old is an eight-year professional, and a former Colombian Welterweight champion who has defeated the likes of Francisco Marlmon (1-0), Luis Guillermo Berrio (5-1-1), Domicio Roldon (11-2), Carlos Saenz (19-2). Barraza is coming off a loss to Alexis Rocha on November 13, 2021 in Anaheim, California.

Giovani Santillan Press Conference Quotes:

“I like fighting in Southern California. It was great to have been able to fight in San Diego, my hometown. I think that San Diego has a lot of boxing fans, and to have a show out there is great for everybody. To be in the co-main event of that show was amazing. Now we’re in Costa Mesa, which is only an hour away from San Diego. I expect a lot of fans, friends and family to be there.”

“I’m ready for a title shot. I think I’m there. We definitely want the big fights. Hopefully, this year we get closer to something like that. Hopefully, we can be the main event in San Diego. This Saturday night will be important for me because it will set the tone for what I’m going to do for the rest of the year.”

“With every fight, there is always pressure. You always have to perform as a fighter, especially fighting on ESPN. You always want to do your best. I think I’m undefeated for a reason. We’re always thinking about trying to get the bigger fights. I’m always working hard because I want to give the best version of myself in each fight.”

At Friday’s weigh-in, Santillan was 147.4 lbs. Barraza was 148.6.

Santillan is co-promoted by Top Rank and Thompson Boxing.

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# **Erick DeLeon Stops Hevinson Herrera in One Round**

New York, NY (April 4, 2022)- Erick DeLeon stayed undefeated with an opening round stoppage of veteran Hevinson Herrera at Ford Community and Performing Arts Center in DeLeon's hometown of Detroit.

The bout was a scheduled eight-round welterweight contest.

DeLeon, who is managed by Split-T Management was all over Herrera, and dominated Herrera with a barrage of punches which registered a knockdown for, and the bout was stopped at 2:48.

With the win, DeLeon is now 20-0-1 with 12 knockouts.

"It felt amazing," said DeLeon, post-fight. "I'm so happy and blessed. Thank you to all my people who came out. I really appreciate all the love and support. This is for you guys. I wasn't surprised it ended so quickly. I have been working hard and I was ready for this moment. When I connected with that left hand, I knew it was only going to get worse for him."

DeLeon is promoted by Salita Promotions.

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## **Erick DeLeon Takes on**

# Hevinson Herrera TONIGHT in Detroit

New York, NY (April 2, 2022)- Undefeated Erick DeLeon is back in action when he takes on veteran Hevinson Herrera in a eight-round welterweight bout at The Ford Community and Performing Arts Center in Detroit.

DeLeon, 30 years-old, and is managed by Split-T Management is 19-0-1 with 11 knockouts.

The 10 year-professional has racked up wins over Fidel Navarrete (8-1-2), Jose Salinas (10-2-1), Daulis Prescott (31-4), Adrian Yung (25-2) and his last outing when he stopped Jose Gallegos in seven rounds on March 23, 2019 in Costa Mesa, California.

Herrera, 37 of Barranquilla, Colombia is 27-19-1 with 22 knockouts. A17 year-veteran, Herrera has been in with many top contenders, has wins over Evaristo Valdes (3-0) and Courtney Jackson (23-1). Herrera has won two in a row which started with the win over Jackson. He followed that up with a second round stoppage over Gustavo Sandoval on September 10, 2021 in Colombia.

DeLeon weighed 148.6 lbs. Herrera was 143.8 lbs.

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## Four More Big Wins By Split-T Management Fighters

New York, NY (March 29, 2022)- Split-T Management Fighters had their hand raised on Saturday. Those four were in addition to

Ebanie Bridges winning the IBF Bantamweight title on Saturday afternoon.

Saturday night at The Resorts World Hotel in Las Vegas, Split-T Management went three-for-three with impressive victories.

2021 U.S. Olympian Tiger Johnson stopped Sebastian Gabriel Chaves in around four of their six-round welterweight bout.

In round four, Johnson dropped Chaves with a right hand. Later in the round, Johnson dropped Chaves with a massive left hand and the fight was stopped at 1:42.

Johnson, 142 lbs of Cleveland, OH is 3-0 with two knockouts. Chaves, 143.2 lbs of Buenos Aires, ARG is 5-4.

Haven Brady Jr. stopped Juan Angel in round four of a scheduled six-round featherweight bout.

In round four, Brady landed a hard flurry of punches and was able to put Angel down with a double right. Brady finished off Angel by dropping him with an uppercut and the fight was stopped at 2:05.

Brady, 127 lbs of Albany, GA is 6-0 with four knockouts. Angel, 126.6 lbs of Chile is 8-3.

Dante Benjamin Jr. won a four-round unanimous decision over Kevin Johnson in a battle of undefeated light heavyweights.

Benjamin, 173.6 lbs of Cleveland, OH won by scores of 40-36 on all cards is now 2-0. Johnson, 174.4 lbs of Wichita, KS is 2-1.

Johnson, Brady and Benjamin are promoted by Top Rank.

At the Montreal Casino In Montreal, Mary Spencer needed just 23 seconds to take care of Beatriz Aguilar in their scheduled four-round six-round welterweight bout.

Spencer of Montreal, was a three-time world amateur champion

and Pan-American Games champion is now 4-0 with three first round knockouts.

Aguilar of Mexico is 7-7-2.

Spencer is promoted by Eye of the Tiger Management.

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# **HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHTER SONNY CONTO HOPES TO SHATTER TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA WHEN HE PUTS HIS UNDEFEATED RECORD ON THE LINE AND ENTERS THE BOXING RING AT PARX CASINO® ON FRIDAY, MAY 13**

South Philly heavyweight boxer Sonny Conto (9-0, 7KOs) looks to shatter triskaidekaphobia when he puts his undefeated record on the line and steps into the ring for a six-round bout against former USA New England Champion Justin Rolfe (7-3-1, 5KOs), of Fairfield, ME, at Parx Casino® on Friday, May 13 at 7 p.m.

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Daiyaan Butt (10-2, 5KOs), also of Philadelphia, PA, has two first round knockouts in his last four fights and looks to show his power in a six-round super lightweight bout.

Super featherweight Jordon Murphy (2-0, 1K0), originally from Bensalem, PA, and now residing in Deerfield Beach, FL, will be returning to Bensalem to fight in front of his family and friends when he competes in a four-round super featherweight bout.

Undefeated D'Angelo Fuentes (7-0, 4KOs), of Coconut Creek, FL, will have his hands full in a six-round featherweight bout as he tries to push his undefeated streak to eight.

The always entertaining Christopher Burgos (3-5-1, 1 K0), of North Philadelphia, PA, will face Philip Davis (2-5-1) of Worcester, MA, in a six-round lightweight contest.

Making his debut on the card will be 2014 Pennsylvania Golden Gloves champion Karl Wylie out of Coatesville, PA.

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#### ABOUT JOE HAND PROMOTIONS

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**Ebanie Bridges wins IBF  
Bantamweight World  
Championship of Maria Cecilia**



# Roman in Leeds, England

New York, NY (March 25, 2022)—Ebanie Bridges won the IBF Bantamweight title with a 10-round unanimous decision over Maria Cecilia Roman.

The bout took place in front of a sold-out crowd at The First District Arena in Leeds, England.

Bridges, who is managed by Split-T Management under Brian Cohen and Team Empire Boxing, out worked and out hustled Roman on the inside as well as landing some good punches to the body. Bridges was effective with her uppercut and took the lead from the outset.

Roman tried to make a fight out of it, but Bridges showed her championship heart, and was able to be very effective down the stretch to claim her first world title.

Bridges landed 205 of 645 punches; Roman was 156 of 430.

Bridges, 117.3 lbs of New South Wales, AUS won by scores of 100-91 and 97-93 twice and is now 8-1. Roman, 116.4 lbs of San Juan, ARG was a five year-champion, who had made seven defenses and is now 16-6-1.

“I am feeling proud of myself, and everything that I sacrificed has been worth it. This belt means all of the sacrifice and training. I was so happy for that kind of fight. I hope the fight was entreating. Cecilia brought the fight. I am grateful to win the title in this great city of Leeds,” said Bridges,

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# Massive Saturday For Split-T Management Fighters

New York, NY (March 25, 2022)—A landmark Saturday looms for six-members of the Split-T Management stable as the fighters, and will be featured in world title and, and high profile bouts on major platforms.

In Leeds, England, Popular Ebanie “The Blonde Bomber” Bridges makes her second attempt at a world title when she takes on IBF Bantamweight champion Maria Cecilia Roman.

Bridges of New South Wales, Australia, has a record of 7-1 with three knockouts. The 35 year-old Bridges has won two straight since her heroic effort against then WBA champion Shannon Courtenay on April 10, 2021. Bridges is coming off a points win over Mailys Gangloff on September 4, 2021 in Leeds.

Roman of San Juan Argentina is 16-5-1. The 39 year-old is a longtime and distinguished champion as she has defended her eight times. An eleven year professional, Roman defeated Carolina Duer (19-3-1) to win the IBF title on August 4, 2017 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Some of her bigger defenses came over Duer in a rematch, Julieta Cardozzo (12-3) and her last bout when she defeated Daniela Rivero on November 26th in San Juan, Argentina

Bridges, who is managed by Brian Cohen’s Empire Boxing. checked in at 117.3 lbs. Roman was 116.4 lbs.

The fight will be streamed live on DAZN at 3 PM ET

Bridges / Roman Photos by Marc Robinson of Matchroom Boxing.

Photo by Esther Lin / SHOWTIME

In Minneapolis, lightweight Joseph Adorno faces off with Michel Rivera in the co-feature of a SHOWTIME® Championship

Boxing card ( 9 PM ET)

Adorno of Allentown, Pennsylvania is undefeated at 14-0-2 with 12 knockouts, is 22 years-old, has a win over previously undefeated Kevin Cruz (8-0) and is coming off a draw with Jamaine Ortiz on April 24, 2021 in Kissimmee, Florida.

Rivera of Miami, Florida via the Dominican Republic is 22-0 with 14 knockouts.

Considered a big-prospect, Rivera has wins over Marco Acevedo (10-0), Manuel Botis (23-1-1), Jampier Osis (12-1-1), Yankiel Leon (12-0), Rene Telez Giron (13-0), Fidel Maldonado (27-4-1), Ladarius Miller (21-1), Jon Fernandez (21-1) and his last bout when Rivera took a 10-round unanimous decision over Jose Matias Romero (24-1) on October 30, 2021 in Las Vegas.

Adorno was 136 3/4 lbs; Rivera was 136 1/2 lbs

Adorno is promoted by GH3 Promotions.

In Las Vegas, three of Split-T Management's undefeated prospects will see action as part of an ESPN+ stream.

2021 United States Olympian Tiger Johnson looks for win number-three without a loss when he takes on Sebastian Gabriel Chaves in a six-round welterweight contest.

Johnson, 23, had a highly decorated amateur career finishing with a record of 188-17, and saw him win a Gold Medal in the 2016 Youth World Championships; a Bronze Medal at the 2019 Pan Am Games; a 2019 Last Chance Qualifier Championship; Four 2017 Elite National Championships; a 2016 Elite National Championship; a 2015 Youth National Championship; and a 2014 National Junior Olympic Championship.

Johnson made it to the quarterfinals of the 2021 Olympic Games in Tokyo before losing to the eventual Gold Medal winner, Cuban Roniel Iglesias.

In his last bout, Johnson won a four-round unanimous decision over Xavier Madrid on January 29th in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Chaves of Buenos Aires, Argentina is 5-3 with two knockouts. The 27 year-old sports first-round stoppage over Dorian Maidana (5-0). Chaves is coming off a loss to undefeated Alex Vargas on November 11, 2021 in Huntington, New York.

Undefeated featherweight Haven Brady Jr. will take on Jose Angel in a six-round bout.

Brady of Albany, Georgia is 5-0 with three knockouts. The 20 year-old Brady has been a professional for two years.

Brady's amateur career saw him go 65-10 with 30 knockouts, and won the 2018 Jr. Nationals. Brady won the 2019 Eastern Qualifiers and 2019 Jr. National PAL.

Brady has a win over Roberto Negrete (3-0) and in his last bout, Brady won a six-round unanimous decision over Diuhl Olguin on January 29th in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Angel of Carolina is 8-2 with two knockouts. The 27 year-old Angel is coming off a loss to undefeated Jaywon Garrett on June 19, 2021 in Miami.

Light Heavyweight Dante Benjamin is primed to make his 2nd start when he takes on Kevin Johnson in a battle of undefeated fighters.

Benjamin, 19 years-old of Cleveland, Ohio amassed over 100 wins as an amateur, and was a seven-time national champion as he was a 2016 and 2017 Junior National Champion, 2017 Eastern Regional Champion, and a 2018 Youth National champion. He also took first place in the Emil Jechev International tournament in Botevgrad, Bulgaria.

In 2017, he was named the Under Armour Fighter of the Year.

Benjamin won his pro debut via opening round stoppage over

Herman Rendon on January 29th in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Johnson, Brady and Benjamin are promoted by Top Rank. Photo Credit: Mikey Williams/Top Rank via Getty Images

In Montreal, undefeated junior welterweight Mary Spencer will take on Beatriz Aguilar.

Spencer of Montreal, has a record of 3-0 with two knockouts. This will be Spencer's fourth fight in seven months and she is coming off a unanimous decision over Milagros Diaz Perez on January 29th in Tijuana, Mexico.

Aguilar of Mexico is 7-6-1 with one knockout. Aguilar has wins over two undefeated opponents in Karla Ramos Zamora (2-0) and Estefina Zapiain (1-0). Aguilar is coming off a loss to former world champion Delfine Persoon on November 1, 2021 in Belgium

Spencer, who is managed by Brian Cohen of Empire Boxing, weighed 141 3/4 lbs. Aguilar was 141 1/4 lbs.

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## **Split-T Management Fighters Go Two-For-Two on Saturday Night**

New York, NY (March 21, 2022)-Split-T Management fighters came home with two wins in as many fights on Saturday night as junior welterweight John Bauza and junior lightweight Dalis Kaleiopu remained undefeated with wins in New York and Los Angeles respectively.

At The Hulu Theater at Madison Square Garden, John Bauza remained undefeated with an eight-round unanimous decision

over Tony Luis in a junior welterweight bout.

Bauza boxed well, and controlled the fight with his quicker hands and variety of punches.

Bauza landed 109 of 329 punches; Luis was 90 of 449.

Bauza, 140.2 lbs of Coamo, PR won by scores of 80-72, 79-73 and 78-74 and is now 17-0. Luis, 140.8 lbs of Cornwall, ONT, CAN is now 29-5.

The bout was televised live on ESPN.

Bauza is promoted by Top Rank.

Photo By Tom Hogan / Golden Boy

At the Galen Center In Los Angeles, Dalis Kaleiopu stopped Manuel Lara in the fourth and final round of their lightweight bout.

In round one, Kaleiopu dropped Lara with a right to the head. Later in the round, Lara went down from a body shot.

In round four, it was a three-punch combination to the head that dropped Lara to his knees and the bout was stopped at 2:15.

Kaleiopu, 132.4 lbs of Waianae, HI. is 2-0 with two knockouts. Lara, 134.2 lbs of Celaya, MEX is 2-8.

Kaleiopu is promoted by Golden Boy Promotions.

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# Split-T Management's Dalis Kaleiupu in Action Tonight in Los Angeles

New York, NY (March 19, 2022)-Tonight, Split-T Management lightweight prospect Dalis Kaleiupu will look to stay undefeated when he takes on Manuel Lara in a four-round bout at The Galen Center in Los Angeles.

Kaleiupu, 23 years-old of Waianae, Hawaii is 1-0 with one knockout as he looks to build upon his pro debut when he took out Eduardo Sanchez in three rounds on February 13, 2021 in Indio, California.

Lara of Ciudad, Mexico is 2-7 and will be facing his fifth undefeated opponent.

Kaleiupu, 21 years-old won the Western Elite championships in 2018, and in the same year, Kaleiupu was a National Championship runner-up.

Kaleiupu was 132.4 lbs at Friday's weigh-in, while Lara was 134.2

Kaleiupu is promoted by Golden Boy Promotions.