

Totowa, NJ - Kathy Duva, Main Events CEO, announced their promotional firm won the purse bid held at IBF headquarters in East Orange, NJ, Thursday. The bid was for the right to hold the IBF's junior welterweight title fight between Zab Judah of Brooklyn, NY and Las Vegas, and South Africa's Kaizer Mabuza.

IBF Championships Chairman, Lindsay Tucker explained, "It is a 50-50 split of the earnings

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between the two fighters. Kaizer is ranked No. 1 by the IBF, and Judah is No. 2. Where the fight will be held is up to the winning bidder."

Judah (39-6, 26 KOs) is promoted by Main Events and his own firm Super Judah Promotions, and Branco Milenkovic, of South Africa, promotes Mabuza (23-6-3, 14 KOs).

Kathy Duva confirmed the fight will take place at Prudential Center in Newark, NJ, late February or early March this year as part of Main Events' Brick City Boxing Series. (Saturday Update: the fight is March 5th, in NJ at the Pru Center. The bout will be part of a PPV card.)

"We are very happy that Zab has the opportunity to fight for the IBF Junior Welterweight title right here in New Jersey. Winning this fight will put Zab right in the mix with the winner of Bradley-Alexander and Amir Khan." Duva elaborated, "Zab will work very hard to win this fight so that he will be one step closer to his ultimate goal of unifying all of the Junior Welterweight titles by the end of 2011!"

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## brownsugar says:

I like the new Judah, dedicated, restrained, positive,...and sterling example of what the image of the mature fighter should be... He seems to be working harder than a former Concentration Camp Commander trying to get into Heaven as he labors to climb back into contention... But does he have enough left at the age of 36 to get where he needs to be??. Judging by his last fight it's an uphill battle. While I can fault no man for getting religion in the 11th hour,... the challenges are far greater now than when he was in his 30 year old body... it's not impossible but it's not guaranteed either. Zab is coming up the rough side of the mountain and this fight will be every bit as difficult as his last one. If Judah can stay on track and truly get his groove back he'll be a dangerous foe for anybody.

#### Isaiah says:

Zab was supposed to have matured and rediscovered himself after every loss. After getting pancaked by Kotsya Tszyu, it was because Zab was young and inexeperienced. After giving the fight away to Carlos Baldomir, a man he should have beaten on ANY night, he was rewarded with a Floyd Mayweather fight. After actually holding his own against Mayweather and then some, "guess what?", he gives the fight away! After besting Miguel Cotto for a little while, he gets low blowed and then has nothing left. He also couldn't stand up to Joshua Clottey so I guess even if Zab has all the talent in the world, that still doesn't buy him heart. I'll wait and see because I do want him to succeed but he's dissapointed me to many times before.

@brownsugar. Don't make Zab older then what he is. He needs all the youth he can get. LOL! I think he's only 33.

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Your Right Isaiah my bad he is 33... (looked it up on the wiki),.. although he did look 36 in his last fight(I imagine the adjustment back to 140 might have had something to do with it), at the age of 33 however, his future gets a little brighter and thats a good thing.. Zab recently converted from Judaism to Christianity and his new outlook and dedication is tangible... doesn't mean that a fighter gets better just because he finds God.. but it usually adds a good 10% to their confidence level along with the benefit of a less stressful lifestyle. That being said... I'd love to see Zab shake up some of the young guns at 140. and hopefully we won't see him tossing stools across the ring and threatening the referree.

### Isaiah says:

I congratulate Zab Judah on his recent leaving of "religion" and instead, going to the TRUE GOD (give you a hint, it's NOT Allah the Pagan moon "god) with his newfound RELATIONSHIP with Jesus. Not all, but many Jews refuse to act no better than FAKE Christians such as Catholics who slaughtered hundreds of people during the dark ages, totally go against the LORD HIMSELF by having the Sabbath on Sunday instead of Saturday, putting mother Mary on the same level as the LORD, confessing their sins to other sinful men instead of to GOD and exhalting the Pope as the voice of GOD. For this, Catholics have made a MOCKERY of Christianity. (Sorry Manny Pacquiao, but it is what it is.) Not to be outdone, Atheists want to pretend they're so "awesome," "moral," "freethinking" and "good people" when nothing could be further from the truth. I say, how are you "moral" people when there is no moral law giver? Who decides morals then? Mankind? Sure, worked out for Atheist Dictator General Mao who had 100 million people murdered, Adolf Hitler who befriended the Catholic church only until he rose to power, turned on them and had slaughtered 6 million Jews and Atheist Dictator Pol Pot who had murdered millions himself. Us bad so called "religious" people with our GOD given morals and rights sure can't hold a candle in thousands of years to what the atheist scum can do in just a few decades. Sorry atheists, but nothing is good or evil since only mankind decides such things, right? So, poor misunderstood Hitler only had a difference of opinion, right? Now, let me just also say, there's a HUGE difference between REAL Jews and ones who deny the Messiah. Jesus actually did live. (Any REAL historian will point that out.) He fullfilled around 300 prophecies down to the T written hundreds of years before he was born and he will return. The Jews who are still waiting for the "Messiah" to show up are in for a big surprise when they find out who this next guy will be. May GOD have mercy on the decieved world when this happens. Yahweh and Yeshua are the same being, but the Yeshua needs to be turned to for SALVATION alone. "I am the way, the truth and the life."-Jesus the Christ. There is NO OTHER GOD. He is 3, yet 1. Congrats once again to Zab for leaving "religion" and finding RELATIONSHIP.

### **Editor Mike says:**

I'm an agnostic and try to live in the "treat others as you want to be treated" mode. Pretty simple stuff. I don't maintain that this makes me "awesome" or "moral." Now, is Zab going to be able to handle Mbuza?

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...I feel like Zab will always be Zab. He lacks a deepseated belief in himself. I think he fears real success, fears that he won't be able to live up to it. I know, dime store psychology.

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## brownsugar says:

actually it's worth a quarter,...but like you say,.. for now Zab still has lots to prove.

## the Roast says:

Skim. Don't read. Roll eyes. Wink.

### admin says:

Agreed...But Feroz is right. We don't want to be too rigid with our rules here. Sometimes we do discuss stuff other than boxing, because there is a world outside the fightgame. But we don't want to offend readers, and fellow TSS Universe Family, right? PEACE ALL