

## Fonfara To Headline March 17 in Chicago

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**TICKET ALERT!!!!**

### POLISH PRINCE ANDRZEJ FONFARA HEADLINES

▣ **WINDY CITY FIGHT NIGHT 22**

**POPOCA AND POLYAKOV FEATURED ON UNDERCARD**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH AT THE UIC PAVILION**

CHICAGO, IL (January 24, 2012) **Chicago's Polish Prince and world ranked light heavyweight Andrzej Fonfara** will return to battle on **Saturday, March 17th**

at  
**Windy City Fight Night 22**  
, it was announced today by  
**Dominic Pesoli**  
, President of  
**8 Count Productions**

Advance tickets, priced at \$31, \$51, \$76 and \$101 are available through Ticketmaster, ([www.Ticketmaster.com](http://www.Ticketmaster.com)), the UIC Pavilion Box Office (Phone

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[312-413-5740](tel:312-413-5740)

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The heavy-handed 24-year-old Fonfara, sporting a record of 20-2-1 with eleven knockouts continues to draw very large “loud and proud” crowds at the UIC Pavilion from the massive Polish population in Chicago. Most recently Fonfara crushed **Phil Williams** on December 16th, drilling him to the canvas in the third round to earn the stoppage.

**Currently ranked #9 by the World Boxing Organization**, the Warsaw, Poland native has resided in Chicago since turning professional five years ago. He will appear in a scheduled ten round bout for the **USBO Light Heavyweight Title** against an opponent to be named.

Undefeated in his last eleven bouts, the last eight by knockout, Fonfara has received a sensational amount of interest nationally and overseas due to his highlight real stoppages, many of which have garnered tens of thousands of viewings on **Youtube.com**.

Said Pesoli, “This is going to be a big year for Andrzej. His improvement over the last two years has been incredible. We’ve drawn tremendous crowds for his fights at the UIC Pavilion and after each one I receive a larger amount of requests for news on his next fight. I would strongly encourage fans to make their purchases early as the best seats will go quickly.”

Also battling at **Windy City Fight Night 22** will be Chicago based Mexican warrior **Ivan “EL Marro” Popoca**

. A native of Guerrero, Mexico, Popoca has enjoyed a sensational amount of support from Chicago fight fans over his five-year career.

Undefeated in his first fifteen professional bouts, Popoca went to war with world ranked **Ruslan Provodnikov** on April 15, 2011, in a bout broadcast on **ESPN2’s Friday Night Fights**

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. After seven sensational rounds, the fight was stopped abruptly in the eighth after Popoca was knocked down for the first time.

Campaigning as a lightweight, Popoca will return to action in a scheduled six round tilt against an opponent to be announced.

Also announced for **Windy City Fight Night 22** is former Ukrainian Olympian and current undefeated middleweight **Viktor Polyakov**. A native of Perm, Russia, now residing in Chicago, Polyakov has made a resounding return to Chicago, winning his most recent two bouts with six round unanimous decision shutouts over **Romaro Johnson** on September 23rd and **Foster Nkodo** on December 16th.

More information on these and other exciting bouts will be announced shortly.

Doors on the night of the event will open at 7pm with the first bell at 8pm. The UIC Pavilion is located at 525 S. Racine, at the corner of Harrison and Racine, just one block south of the Eisenhower Expressway in the West Loop area of Chicago.

8 Count Productions, **HOME OF THE BEST IN CHICAGO BOXING**, was started by Dominic Pesoli in 1998 and has consistently presented the highest quality professional boxing events in Chicagoland.

Fighters currently under the 8 Count Productions banner include; super middleweight contender **Donovan George**, world ranked light heavyweight **Andrzej Fonfara**, former world title challenger **Edner Cherry**, middleweight prospect **Viktor Polyakov**, junior welterweight prospects **Ivan Popoca** and **Adrian Granados**

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