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NEW YORK (December 13, 2012) -- The Theater at Madison Square Garden will go from Season's Greetings to Season's Beatings when it hosts three world championship fights in January.

ORLANDO "Siri" SALIDO will defend his World Boxing Organization (WBO) featherweight title against undefeated No. 1 contender **MIKEY GARCIA**; undefeated World Boxing Association (WBA) / International Boxing Organization (IBO) middleweight champion

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ENNADY "GGG" GOLOVKIN

will look to extend his reign into its third year against world-rated contender **"King"**

GABRIEL ROSADO

and two-time WBO junior lightweight champion

ROMAN "Rocky" MARTINEZ

will put it all on the line when he goes mano a mano with No. 1 contender

JUAN CARLOS "Mini" BURGOS.

All three fights will be televised live on

HBO Boxing After Dark

®,

Saturday, January 19,

beginning at

9:45 p.m. ET/PT.

These six warriors have a combined record of 170-18-3 (123 KOs) -- a winning percentage of 89% and a victory by knockout ratio of 72%.

Promoted by Top Rank® and K2 Promotions, in association with Tecate and Madison Square Garden, remaining tickets, priced at \$200, \$100, \$50 and \$25, are currently available for

purchase at the Madison Square Garden Box Office, all Ticketmaster outlets, Ticketmaster charge by phone ([866-858-0008](tel:866-858-0008)) and online at www.ticketmaster.com or www.thegarden.com

"The tripleheader which Top Rank is promoting in conjunction with K2 Promotions is worthy of being at the Mecca of Boxing Madison Square Garden," said Hall of Fame promoter Bob Arum. "This spectacular event will be staged at the Theatre in Madison Square Garden. Each bout figures to be a real barnburner."

"Gennady Golovkin has become one of the hottest fighters since making his debut on HBO. Defending his middleweight titles against an exciting fighter like Gabriel Rosado will only bring more fireworks," said Tom Loeffler, managing director of K2 Promotions. "Fighting at 'The Mecca of Boxing' is every fighters' dream and Gennady looks forward to performing on the world's greatest stage. While others have avoided a fight with Golovkin at all costs, Rosado jumped at the chance. Both fighters think they are going to win and neither is going to go backwards, that is what makes this such a great fight. GGG at MSG on HBO is an exciting combination."

"Three world titles featuring a host of exciting and hard-hitting competitors hosted by Madison Square Garden is an ideal way to launch an all-new season of HBO Boxing After Dark," said Kery Davis, senior vice president of programming, HBO Sports.

Salido (39-11-2, 27 KOs), of Ciudad Obregon, Sonora, México, captured his first world title in his third attempt. After No Decision to Robert Guerrero in 2006 and a split decision loss to Cristobal Cruz in 2008, Salido finally captured the International Boxing Federation (IBF) featherweight title in 2010 avenging his loss to Cruz by winning a split decision. His title reign was short-lived, losing a unification fight to WBA featherweight champion Yuriorkis Gamboa later that same year. Salido bounced back in a big way, stopping undefeated WBO featherweight champion Juan Manuel Lopez in the eighth round in 2011 to capture his second world championship crown. Salido enters this fight having won his last five fights by knockout, including title defenses against Kenichi Yamaguchi in 2011 and a rematch with Lopez in March.

Garcia (30-0, 26 KOs), of Oxnard, Calif., returns to the ring having won 14 of his past 15 bouts by knockout. Considered to be one of boxing's top young prospects, Garcia, 24, had a career-best year in 2011, knocking out previously undefeated contender Matt Remillard in the 10th round in March to capture his NABF and NABO title belts. He followed that with four-round knockout title defense victories of Rafael Guzman and Juan Carlos Martinez in June and

October, respectively. Guzman and Martinez had a combined record of 47-14-1 when they fought Garcia. This year he continued his winning ways, knocking out one-time world title challenger Bernabe Concepcion and former world champion Mauricio Pastrana, in the seventh and second rounds, respectively. In his last fight , on November 10, Garcia knocked out former WBA featherweight champion Jonathan Barros i the eighth round. Trained by his father Eduardo Garcia and co-managed by his brother Robert Garcia, the former IBF junior lightweight champion, Garcia is currently the World Boxing Organization's (WBO) No. 1-rated featherweight contender.

Golovkin (24-0, 21 KOs), a native of Kazakhstan, now training in Big Bear, Calif., came from a sterling amateur background having won Olympic silver in 2004 and winning the World Championships in 2002 and 2003. Significant amateur victories in those competitions included Daniel Geale, Andre Dirrell, Lucian Bute, Andy Lee and Matvey Korobov. Known for his outstanding conditioning and tremendous two-fisted power, Golovkin captured the WBA interim middleweight title on August 14, 2010, knocking out Milton Nuñez in the first round. He became the WBA middleweight champion in his next fight, knocking out Nilson Julio in the third round, on December 16, 2010. He has successfully defended his WBA title four times while adding the IBO title to his trophy case via a first-round KO of Lajuan Simon last December. Golovkin returns to the ring having won his last 11 fights by knockout, dating back to 2008. On September 1, he made his highly-anticipated U.S. and HBO debuts, successfully defending his titles against No. 3-rated Grzegorz Proksa via a fifth-round TKO.

Rosado (21-5, 13 KOs), of Philadelphia, PA, enters this fight riding a two-year, seven-bout winning streak, with five of those victories coming by way of knockout. His current streak has included three career-best victories, all this year, against Jesus Soto-Karass in January, Sechew Powell in June, and Charles Whittaker in September, all by knockout. The Powell victory included the WBO Inter-Continental junior middleweight title while the defeat of Whittaker in an IBF title elimination bout propelled Rosado to the top of the IBF ratings.

Martinez (26-1-1, 16 KOs), of Vega Baja, Puerto Rico, is one of the division's more exciting fighters. he won his first world title -- the WBO junior lightweight championship -- on March 14, 2009, knocking out defending champion Nicky Cook in Manchester, England in the fourth round. Martinez successfully defended the title twice -- with knockout victories over Feider Vilorio in 2009 and Gonzalo Munguia in 2010. He lost the title later that year, via a unanimous decision , to local favorite Ricky Burns in Glasgow, Scotland. After scoring a sixth-round TKO of Daniel Attah for the WBO Inter-Continental junior lightwleght belt, Martinez reclaimed the WBO crown winning a fire fight split decision against Miguel Beltran, Jr. on September 15.

Salido, Golovkin, Martinez Headline in NY Jan. 19

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Burgos (30-1, 29 KOs), of Tijuana, México, will be making his second attempt at a world title. After unsuccessfully challenging Hozumi Hasagawa for the vacant World Boxing Council (WBC) featherweight title in 2010. he moved up to the junior lightweight division stringing together a two-year, five-bout winning streak, including Luis Cruz for the NABO title, last year, and former world champion Cristobal Cruz for the WBC Silver championship belt last February. In his most recent fight, he stopped undefeated Cesar Vazquez in the third round, catapulting Burgos into the No. 1 contender position.

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