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NEVADA BOXING HALL OF FAME TO HONOR 19 GREATS ON AUGUST 10 IN LAS VEGAS

Tickets to the Historic Inaugural Gala Dinner Go On Sale This Monday!

LAS VEGAS, NEV. (June 7, 2013) -- Legends **MIKE TYSON, SUGAR RAY LEONARD** and **O SCAR DE LA HOYA**

head up the list to be feted at the Monte Carlo Resort & Casino in Las Vegas.

The star-studded inaugural class of the **Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame** will be officially inducted in a gala dinner on **Satur**

day, August 10

, at the

Monte Carlo Resort & Casino.

Tickets for the event, ranging from \$50 to \$250, will go on sale on **This Monday! June 10, at 1 p.m. ET/10 a.m. PT**

at the Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame website at

<http://nvbhof.com>

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The 19 inductees represent some of the best in the sport's glorious history in Nevada and includes 12 who are already in the International Boxing Hall of Fame.

The Hall's board of directors selected the 19 enshrinees in eight categories: Nevada resident boxers; Non-Nevada resident boxers; Officials; Trainers; Promoters; Media; Executives; and Special Contributors.

"A true Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame has been long overdue, considering this state's rich tradition in the sport," NVBHOF founder and CEO Rich Marotta said. "The NVBHOF is ready to honor the significant contributors to boxing in Nevada. Our board of directors has been pointing to this night and is planning a gala, Las Vegas-worthy event. The Nevada boxing community comes together August 10."

Some of boxing's greatest champions and most well known names are among those who will be honored at the Monte Carlo.

Former undisputed heavyweight champion "**Iron**" **Mike Tyson**, former three-division world champion **Mike "The Body Snatcher" McCallum** and two-division world champion **Diego "Chico" Corrales** were chosen in the Nevada resident category.

The non-Nevada resident category is comprised of nothing but members of the International Boxing Hall of Fame: Former heavyweight champion **Larry Holmes**; 1976 Olympic gold medalist and multiple division world champion **Sugar Ray Leonard** ; **Julio César Chávez**, México's greatest boxer; and **Oscar De La Hoya** , boxing's biggest pay-per-view star and a world title-holder in six weight classes.

The legendary **Eddie Futch** and **Freddie Roach** were chosen in the Trainers category. In the

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Officials category, open to both referees and judges, voters selected

Mills Lane

and

Joe "Fair But Firm" Cortez.

Long-time Showtime and ESPN broadcaster **Al Bernstein** and former Las Vegas Review-Journal boxing writer

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are the inductees in Media.

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Bob Arum of Top Rank and **Don King** of Don King Productions, arguably the two greatest promoters in the sport's history, are going in together in the Promoters' division.

Two long-time contributors to the Nevada Athletic Commission, former executive director **Marc Ratner**

and ex-commissioner

Dr. James Nave,

were the picks in the Executives division.

And in the Special Contributors class, chosen were MGM Grand owner **Kirk Kerkorian** and Las Vegas power broker

Sig Rogich.

In addition to inducting its first class, the NVBHOF will announce selections for male and female professional Fighter of the Year from Nevada; its Nevada Fight of the Year; as well as its Nevada Prospect and Amateur of the Year.

Gold Circle Ringside VIP tickets are \$250 apiece or \$2,500 for a table of 10. The ticket includes dinner, preferred seating and other amenities to be announced shortly. Ringside tickets are \$150 per ticket or \$1,500 for a table of 10. It includes dinner and a seat for the gala. A limited number of \$50 General Admission tickets that do not include dinner but will allow access to the gala, will also be available.

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The Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit charity organization committed to helping boxing-related causes. In keeping with its mission, the NVBHOF will award its donations to several groups, organizations, clubs and schools working hard to promote the positive aspects of boxing.

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