

Kendall Holt Geared Up For Danny Garcia

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TOTOWA, NJ (September 28, 2011) -- Former world champion **Kendall** "Rated R" **Holt** is on a mission to recapture a world title belt, but first he must score a win over unbeaten prospect

Danny

"Swift"

Garcia

when they meet Oct. 15 on the "Believe It Or Not: Hopkins vs. Dawson" pay-per-view undercard at STAPLES Center in Los Angeles for the vacant NABO Junior Welterweight title, as well as for the WBC #1 and IBF #2 ratings positions.

A single parent raising his son, the 30-year-old Holt (27-4, 15 KOs) is managed by New York Giants running back Brandon Jacobs, and now trained by Buddy McGirt. Kendall captured the WBO Junior Welterweight World Title in 2008, sensationally stopping Ricardo Torres in the opening round. The Paterson, New Jersey boxer successfully defended his crown against Demetrius Hopkins and now, once again, Holt positioned himself for another world title shot.

"Nothing has ever been given to Kendall," Holt's promoter Gary Shaw said. "He's worked very

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hard for everything he's accomplished in the ring, never losing sight of another world title shot, and he's worked his way back up the ratings. We're confident that his experience, skills and determination will drive him to another impressive victory against Garcia."

Holt, presently rated WBO #3, WBC #4 and IBF #6 at 140 lbs. continued. "This fight is extremely important for me. I need to show the public that I'm a force to be reckoned with and that I can and will be world champion again.

"I've been working hard my whole career. My first chance wasn't easy. I had to fight my way to become the mandatory challenger to force Torres to fight me, so, this is just like another day at the office for me."

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Garcia, 23, has a perfect 21-0 (14 KOs) record against lesser quality opponents than Holt has faced. Fighting out of Philadelphia, he is a world-class fighter who is rated WBC #8, IBF #10 and WBO #13.

“I see me being victorious,” Holt predicted. “Garcia’s a good, young fighter but my experience and skill level are much better than his. It’s not so much what he’s done, but what Golden Boy has done for him. They’ve picked the right opponents for him and his matchmaking has been great to get him to the top of the mountain. It’s my turn to push him off the cliff because he’s not ready for this level. He may have been a good amateur and he’s a good pro prospect, but this is an entirely different level. They picked the wrong guy this time. They shouldn’t have picked me because I have too much experience and better skills.”

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Tickets for Hopkins vs. Dawson, priced at \$300, \$150, \$75 and \$25, are available for purchase online at www.staplescenter.com and www.ticketmaster.com, via Ticketmaster charge-by-phone lines at [\(800\) 745-3000](tel:8007453000) and at the STAPLES Center box office.