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HBO LATINO BOXING DOUBLEHEADER ANNOUNCED FOR MAY 31

Fortuna v. Rodriguez, Rosa v. Del Valle at The New Tropicana Resort in Las Vegas

NEW YORK, N Y (April 21, 2014) - On Saturday, May 31, boxing returns to The New Tropicana resort in Las Vegas with an exciting doubleheader featuring **Javier "El**

Abejon" Fortuna

taking on

Juan Antonio Rodriguez

and

Luis Rosa

against

Luis "Orlandito" Del Valle

. Tickets start at just \$37 for the event, which will take place in the Tropicana Pavilion. The doubleheader will be televised live on HBO Latino at 12 midnight EST (9 p.m. local start time in Las Vegas). In addition to the HBO Latino telecast, the HBO2 service will air the doubleheader with English language commentary at 12 midnight (ET/PT).

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The main event will feature former world champion Javier "El Abejon" Fortuna (24-0-1, 18 KOs) taking on heavy-handed contender Juan Antonio Rodriguez (26-4, 23 KOs) for 10 rounds in the super featherweight division. The co-feature will pit undefeated contender Luis Rosa (16-0, 7 KOs) against the once-beaten, top 10-rated Luis "Orlandito" Del Valle (18-1, 13 KOs) for 10 rounds in the super bantamweight division.

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This Las Vegas boxing event is being promoted by DiBella Entertainment and Sampson Boxing in association with Right Hook Promotions.

"From top to bottom, this is going to be an exciting card filled with action-packed fights," said promoter Lou DiBella. "Javier Fortuna has been flirting with stardom for a couple of years now, and an impressive showing on May 31 further cements that. The co-feature is one of the absolute best matchups that you can possibly make at that weight. We are happy to be able to bring boxing back to The New Tropicana Las Vegas."

"This doubleheader will be an exciting event, which will bring together four very exciting boxers who are ready to challenge the best of their respective divisions. I am very happy to bring this event to my hometown, especially to the recently transformed Tropicana Las Vegas," said promoter Sampson Lewkowicz.

"We're absolutely thrilled to be hosting this event," said Fred Harmon, vice president and chief marketing officer for The New Tropicana Las Vegas. "We look forward to welcoming the boxing community and their fans to our all-new resort and casino, and are delighted to provide our guests with this exhilarating entertainment option."

Also scheduled to appear on the card in a special attraction eight-round middleweight bout will be former WBA junior middleweight world champion and "The Contender" champion, WBA #10-rated Sergio "The Latin Snake" Mora (25-3-2, 8 KOs) taking on once-beaten Samuel Rogers (14-1, 8 KOs).

Additional Las Vegas boxing bouts and a complete list of the undercard will be announced soon.

Tickets are priced at \$85, \$65 and \$37, plus applicable taxes and fees and will go on sale today, Monday, April 21. They will be available for purchase online (www.troplv.com), in person at the Tropicana Las Vegas Show Tickets desk or by phone ([800-829-9034](tel:800-829-9034)) starting today.

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oubobcat says:

I am glad to see HBO is using some of their other channels to show live boxing. I think this is something they should do with more consistency as a vast number of their subscribers as big time boxing fans. In addition, I think HBO should start showing the undercard bouts for their World Championship Boxing and Boxing After Dark events on one of their other stations. The production is already set up so why not show the undercard bouts on one of their many networks before the main fights start.