

# OSCAR MOLINA BIOGRAPHY

### **FIGHT RECORD:**

WON: 6

LOST: 0

DRAW: 0 KOs: 5

TITLES HELD: 2012 MEXICAN OLYMPIAN

NICKNAME: "NONE"

A 23-year old native of Norwalk, California, Oscar Molina compiled a 142-26 record as an amateur. Among his notable achievements in the amateur ranks were winning a Gold medal in the 2008 Youth World Amateur Boxing Championships in Guadalajara, Mexico. He also earned Silver medals at the 2010 Central American & Caribbean Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico and the 2011 Pan American Games in Guadalajara.

But his biggest accomplishment was qualifying to represent Mexico in the 2012 Olympic Games in London where, unfortunately, he lost his opening bout by a count of 12-8 to Canadian Custio Clayton.

In October 2012 he joined his twin brother Javier, in signing a promotional deal with Goossen Tutor Promotions and a management agreement with Arnulfo Bravo, who also trains him.

Oscar made his professional debut on January 26, 2013 in Chihuahua, Mexico, where he won a four-round unanimous decision over Hector Mendoza. Since then, Oscar has stopped all five of his opponents in a very short period of time.

After knocking down Willie Walton in the second round in Costa Mesa, CA, on March 9 Oscar unleashed a barrage of bunches and stopped him on his feet.

Just three weeks later, on March 30, Oscar went back to Mexico and registered a first-round TKO (1:41) over Francisco Sahuari.

On April 12, Oscar made his television debut on ESPN by knocking out Daryl Gardner in just 2:39 of the first round in Shelton, WA, underneath the Rico Ramos-Oscar Gonzalez main event.

On the April 27 undercard of the Chris Arreola-Bermane Stiverne fight in Ontario, CA, Oscar took just 55 seconds to dispose of Jose Martell in front of his family and many friends in attendance.

# **MOST RECENT BOUT:**

In his first scheduled six-round bout, Oscar stopped Ruben Lopez at 2:41 of the second round in Chihuahua, Mexico on July 27, 2013.

#### **FAMILY:**

Oscar's parents were both born in Mexico. His father, Miguel, had two pro fights but stopped boxing when he moved to California. Mother, Gloria, serves as the cook in the Molina brother's training camp. Oscar has six brothers and two of them are also boxers: his twin, Javier, was on the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team in Beijing and his older brother, Carlos, age 27, is currently 17-1-1 as a light welterweight in the pro ranks. And he also has a cousin named Danny Ramirez, who is 2-0 as a young pro fighting at light welterweight.

# **EDUCATION:**

Oscar started in the Norwalk school system by attending Dolores Huerta Elementary School, followed by Waite Middle School. Oscar went to John Glenn High School for three years before accepting an invitation to train in Mexico and represent the country in the Nationals one month after starting his senior year. He returned from Mexico in 2009 to complete his high school education.

# WHY BOXING:

"I would always go watch my older brother Carlos and my cousin George train, and when I was about 7 or 8 years old my twin brother and I decided to join them since we both enjoyed watching them so much and were always in the gym anyway."

**CHILDHOOD HERO:** "My parents. We always played a lot of sports and they supported us with everything."

**PEOPLE MOST ADMIRED:** "Tony Romo. I'm a big Dallas Cowboys fan."

**EARLIEST BOXING MEMORY**: "I remember being real nervous before my first amateur fight at 8 years old. My opponent was 5-0 and I really didn't know what to expect. But once I was up in the ring and we started throwing punches, I was fine and I won."

**GREATEST SPORTS MOMENT:** "I'm a Miami Heat fan too. When Ray Allen hit that shot to go to overtime and I actually bet with my manager, Bravo on that game and the Heat won in overtime. My own greatest sports moment had to be when I qualified for the London Olympics in Brazil."

**PRE-FIGHT FEELING**: "I think it's normal to feel nervous before a fight. But I am focused on my game plan. Everybody's nervous, but once you step in the ring the nerves go away."

**HOBBIES/INTERESTS:** "I love sports, man. We play baseball. Every Sunday we have a game, but we play baseball around our training. Anytime we have a fight coming up, we stop playing to avoid any injuries. I'm a big fan of all sports and a Dodgers fan too."

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** "Saving Private Ryan. Any war movie."

FAVORITE MUSIC: "Rap, Hip-Hop, and Mariachi."

**FAVORITE MEAL:** "Beef tacos with carne asada."

FAVORITE BREAKFAST CEREAL: "Reese's Peanut Butter Puffs."

**FAVORITE JUNK FOOD:** "Hot Cheetos."

**FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR(S):** "Chocolate."

**FIRST JOB:** "Being a boxer. I got paid at the training center, so I never had to work another job."

**FAVORITE BOXERS TO WATCH:** "Francisco "Panchito" Bojado, Fernando Vargas, Andre Ward and Floyd Mayweather.

**TOUGHEST OPPONENT:** "Cuban fighter Carlos Banteux, who beat me for the gold at the 2011 Pan American Games in Mexico.

**FAVORITE FIGHT (OWN):** "My first ESPN fight as a pro when I knocked out Daryl Gardner in Shelton, Washington."

**MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT:** "None that I can think of."

**CHILDHOOD DREAMS:** "To be able to compete in the Olympic Games. We were actually training in the same gym as Panchito Bojado when he qualified for the 2000 Olympics in Sydney. That's when I decided I wanted to go to the Olympic Games. I looked up to Panchito."

**GOALS:** "To not only win a world championship, but to be the best pound for pound like Floyd Mayweather. And I don't believe there were ever three brothers who were world champions at the same time, so another goal would be to reign as champion with Carlos and Javier. That would be real special!"

**THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE BOXING FANS TO KNOW ABOUT YOU:** "I am a big fan of TV music shows like 'American Idol' and 'X Factor'. I have a great appreciation for musical talent."

#### PRESENT:

Oscar is back in the gym and training for his next bout which has yet to be scheduled.