

Power Slap and MGM Resorts International Announce Five-Year Las Vegas Event Partnership

MGM Resorts to become the exclusive Official Home of Power Slap in Las Vegas from 2026-2030 Power Slap 19 to be held Friday, April 17 at The Chelsea at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (March 23, 2026) – MGM Resorts International, the global gaming and entertainment icon, and [Power Slap](#), the world's leading slap fighting promotion led by Dana White, are announcing a five-year live event residency and partnership. As the **Official Home of Power Slap** through 2030, MGM Resorts will host four live Power Slap events per year, beginning with **Power Slap 19** on Friday, April 17 at The Chelsea at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas. **Power Slap 20** will take place Friday, May 15, **Power Slap 21** will take place Friday, July 10 during International Fight Week, and the fourth Power Slap event under the 2026 residency will be announced at a later date. The partnership will also see MGM Resorts and Power Slap teaming up to provide fans with exclusive on-site experiences and hospitality at the events.



In its three-year history, Power Slap has grown to a globally recognized combat sport with more than 30 million followers and over 25 billion views across social and digital media. Known for its world-class sold-out live events, social media virality and influencer & celebrity attendance, the promotion moves to the heart of The Las Vegas Strip with MGM Resorts, the home of sports and entertainment in Las Vegas.

"MGM Resorts International has a long history hosting the biggest and best combat sporting events," said Dana White, Founder of Power Slap. "It's been home to UFC for decades, and starting in April, it becomes the home of Power Slap. This sport continues to explode and a partnership with a legacy brand like MGM just shows how big Power Slap has become in such a short amount of time."

Ryan Abboushi, MGM Resorts International's President of Entertainment, said, "Power Slap has quickly become one of the most popular combat sports worldwide. We look forward to adding Power Slap to our sports programming portfolio and the opportunity to deliver our eventgoers memorable experiences at The Chelsea at The Cosmopolitan."

The first event in the long-term partnership – *VeChain Power Slap 19: Da Hawaiian Hitman vs. Manu presented by Monster Energy* – will take place Friday, April 17 during Wrestlemania Weekend in Las Vegas.

Power Slap 19 will be headlined by a Super Heavyweight Title match between defending champion Dayne "Da Hawaiian Hitman" Viernes (3-2), and undefeated #1 ranked Super Heavyweight contender Makini "Big Mak" Manu (5-0). At a combined weight of over 800 pounds, both slap fighters are known for ground-shaking knockouts and iron chins.

Also on the card, a Heavyweight Title showdown between champion Damien "The Bell" Dibbell (7-1) and challenger and slap fighting pioneer, Darius "The Destroyer" Mata-Varona (14-3). Dibbell is undefeated in Power Slap, and has dominated the Heavyweight division with over 1,000 days as champion and seven consecutive wins. Mata-Varona – one of the two coaches from Season 1 of *Power Slap: Road to the Title* has been on an impressive 3-match win streak and looks to regain his place at the top of Power Slap.

Tickets for *Power Slap 19* are now available for purchase through Ticketmaster [Power Slap 19 Tickets](#)].

All matches are live and subject to change, and more information can be found at [PowerSlap.com](#). Please click [here](#) to apply for the event.

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ABOUT POWER SLAP

Power Slap is the world's premier slap fighting promotion, regulated and sanctioned by the Nevada State Athletic Commission, and other athletic commissions across the United States. Power Slap was founded by Dana White & Lorenzo Fertitta, in partnership with Ultimate Fighting Championship. Power Slap airs exclusively across the globe on YouTube. For more information, visit [PowerSlap.com](#) and follow or subscribe to Power Slap on YouTube (@powerslap), TikTok (@powerslap), Instagram (@powerslap), Facebook (/slap), Snapchat (@powerslap) and X (@powerslap).

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