

# MIRAMAR RESIDENT TAKES HOME CHAMPIONSHIP BELT AT **MIRAMAR MIX-UP** GAMER EVENT!

(Miramar, FL - April 9, 2019) The **5th Miramar Mix-Up Fighting Game Tournament** was another huge success this past weekend. On April 7th, over 100 gamers showed up to the Vernon E. Hargray Youth Enrichment Center vying to stake their claim at cash prizes and winnings across the board. Sponsors **Collector Cup** provided Street Fighter V winners with prizes and **GG Labs** added a cash bonus for Dragon Ball FighterZ and Tekken 7. Our own Miramar resident **Aldo De Los Santos** (Gamertag: Inca) was the proud winner of Tekken 7, taking home the South Florida Championship Belt. Alejandro "Detroit\_Smash" Ferret earned his first Miramar Mix-Up Street Fighter V championship. Issac "Secreas" Ojeda did much of the same in the Dragon Ball FighterZ bracket defeating Carlos "GGL Borrero" Borrero after a stunning match reset.



The success of Miramar's Gaming Event would not have been possible without the strong support and involvement of **Zowie**, a BenQ brand dedicated to the development of professional e-Sports equipment. Partner of this event, Zowie donated the use of 16 RL2460 units which allow two monitors to link together with zero latency, creating a head-to-head situation where players can have their own screen, rather than share, while playing off of the same gaming console. This technology enabled players to fully immerse themselves in the experience, creating a seamless feeling of control between the game and the gamer.



"The City of Miramar is proud to host to this event for our South Florida gamers," says Phillip Pratt, event organizer and City of Miramar employee. "E-Sports has become a multi-billion-dollar industry. The largest Fighting Game event is the Evolution Champion Series held at Mandalay Bay Resort in Las Vegas with the second largest, CEO, held at the Daytona Beach Convention Center. Both draw competitors from all over the world. Currently, we are the only city in the tri-county area of Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach that hosts a gaming event. Our location between Miami-Dade and Ft. Lauderdale makes Miramar easily accessible, allowing visitors to enjoy the rest of South Florida while here."

The Miramar Mix-Up has enjoyed a growing presence in the South Florida area. Our first event, only having one game (Street Fighter V) drew in 50 players. The 2nd event saw us add Tekken 7 and the number increased to roughly 75. By the time we partnered with Zowie for our 3rd and 4th event, that number doubled and drew in participants from as far as Jacksonville. Notable names that have participated in the tournament since it's initiation are: Tayson Defas (Marvel Vs Capcom Infinite, Street Fighter V), Paco "Gandido" Vilaro (Tekken 7), Michael "Marvelo" Arvelo (Marvel Vs Capcom Infinite, Dragon Ball FighterZ), Job "Flocker" Figueroa (Street Fighter V, Marvel Vs Capcom Infinite) and two-time Miramar Mix-Up Street Fighter V champion, Jorge "PapaGuaty" Guaty.

Details for the next Miramar Mix-Up are currently in progress, with a tentative date scheduled in June/July of 2019. Please contact **Phillip Pratt** in the City of Miramar's Parks and Recreation Department at **(954) 602-4793** for more information and to be added to our FGC email list.