



Chicago Amateur Boxing looks at the rich history of the Chicago Golden Gloves and Catholic Youth Organization boxing tournaments that were so popular in the mid-20th century and sent so many local fighters up the professional ranks. The Chicago Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions produced future world title holders such as Joe Louis (1937, 175 pounds) and Ernie Terrell (1957, 175 pounds), both of whom went on to win the world heavyweight championship.

Sean Curtin and J. J. Johnston, authors of *Chicago Boxing*, do it again as they take readers on a visual journey of Chicago's amateur ring history. Curtin, who was himself a Catholic Youth Organization champion in the late 1950s, is now a respected referee who has devoted his life to the sport and served as chief of the Illinois Boxing Commission from 1998 to 2003. Johnston was also a Chicago amateur boxer and is now a nationally known stage and screen actor. Both are noted boxing historians and collectors whose work has appeared in *Boxing Digest* and other top publications.

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