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LEEDS BOXER JOSH WARRINGTON JOINS STARS AT TOP TOURISM EVENT

Boxing champion Josh Warrington is joining the VIP line-up at next week's Yorkshire tourism awards.

Fresh from his win over the weekend against Dennis Ceylan at Leeds Arena, the 26-year-old WBC international champion will join a host of sporting heroes at the annual Welcome to Yorkshire White Rose Awards.

Victory for the Leeds featherweight now paves the way for a shot at a world title against the current IBF featherweight champion Lee Selby.

Welcome to Yorkshire Chief Executive Sir Gary Verity said: "We're delighted that Josh will be joining us for our Big Night Out next week. The White Rose awards not only celebrate what a great year we've had for tourism, but also salute some of our great sportsmen and women who have achieved so much."

Josh will be among 1,000 guests at the awards including our Yorkshire Rugby League heroes the Leeds Rhinos, Castleford Tigers, Bradford Bulls' Women and Hull FC who swept the board this season and will be showing off their silverware at the event.

All those attending the event on Monday 30 October at Leeds Arena will enjoy some Michelin-star inspired food and fantastic live entertainment.

There's still time to grab some of the few remaining tickets and join your sports heroes on the night!

Doors open at 6pm with a drinks reception and tickets are £75 +VAT but hurry, they're going fast!

Go to www.whiteroseawards.com, contact efarlam@yorkshire.com or call 0113 322 3500 for more information and to book your place.

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Editors' Notes:

- Welcome to Yorkshire is the official destination management organisation for Yorkshire, working to grow the county's visitor economy.
- Welcome to Yorkshire is a not-for-profit membership organisation, funded in part by grants, sponsorship and Welcome to Yorkshire members. All money raised is reinvested directly back into promoting Yorkshire.

Key facts

- Tourism in Yorkshire is worth £7 billion annually
- The county's industry employs almost a quarter of a million people

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