

Houston, TX Native, David Chavez, Earns Title, “World’s Best Bricklayer”

This is the second World Championship Title for Chavez, after winning it all in 2018



(pictures from left to right: Mason David Chavez and mason tender Guadalupe Hernandez posing in a new Ford F250 4x4 truck, mason David Chavez laying brick in the SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500, 2021 SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500 Arena)

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Las Vegas, NV – He laid 678 in only one hour! Mason David Chavez and mason tender Guadalupe Hernandez with Ranch Masonry in Houston, TX teamed up to earn the title, “World’s Best Bricklayer.” This is the second time Chavez has earned the World Champion title; winning it all in 2018. The recognition comes after beating the best-of-the-best in the most exciting contest in masonry, the SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500®. 20 of the best masons and tenders in the world came together at the World of Concrete expo at the Las Vegas Convention Center to test their skill, speed and stamina by battling to determine who can build the largest and best 26-foot-long brick wall, with the least amount of errors, in one hour. The event headlined the first convention of its size to be held in Las Vegas since efforts to combat the pandemic caused a national shutdown.

It was an action-packed competition featuring some of the most decorated craftsmen in North America. Not even temperatures in the 90’s could slow down Chavez, as he wins a new Ford F250 4x4 Super Duty Truck, \$5,000 in cash, a Multiquip Essick Pro12 Mortar Mixer and other great prizes.

Chavez felt confident coming into the event, saying, “I feel happy and I want to say thank you to Ranch Masonry for supporting me. I’m ready to get to work preparing for next year.”

The SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500 World Championship title wasn't the only prestigious award handed out during the event. For the third year in a row, mason Darian Douthit and mason tender Nigel Delmez won the SPEC MIX TOP CRAFTSMAN, which goes to the team with the "most sellable" wall, as determined by a panel of judges. For his precision, Douthit is taking home a new Kubota RTV-X1140, \$5,000 in cash, an Essick Pro12 Mortar Mixer along with additional sponsorship prizes.

Douthit said, "I'm feeling really great. When you are going up against the best, you never know what is going to happen. Winning the SPEC MIX TOP CRAFTSMAN was my goal, and I'm happy for the chance to return again next year to defend the title."

With over \$125,000 in cash and prizes to be earned, masons from across North America were invited to Las Vegas to compete in the SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500 after winning a regional series qualifying event. 20 total masons lined the arena in Las Vegas for one of the most exciting and anticipated events in the world of masonry.

With workforce development being the primary battle cry for the skilled trades, the SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500 is a tool designed to create interest from a new generation of masons in the rewards and opportunity possible in masonry and construction.

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