

**Zayas, Edgard:** Born: From: Canóvanas, Puerto Rico.

24 yrs. old 2017 B. Cup. Grew up minutes away from the racetrack near his hometown of Canóvanas. He didn't come from a racing family or riding background, but he always took joy away from his encounters with the equine athletes during trips to the track with his grandfather.

After graduating from high school decided he'd give Jockey School "a try". Most of his success in the U.S. has come in South Florida (moved there from Puerto Rico in 2012) but in a short period of time he's won over 1,000 races and multiple graded stakes races. During that time he's also sustained several injuries.

Despite being sidelined at various points throughout 2014 for a broken collarbone, a broken rib, and ligament strain in his left knee, Zayas still compiled more than \$5.1 million in earnings in both 2015 and 2016.