

WWE Superstar and NXT Champion Keith Lee Interview  
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Hours ahead of NXT TakeOver XXX, The Sports Haven contributor Ricardo Johnson sat down for a virtual interview with NXT champion Keith Lee.

Transcript:

RJ: Hey champ, nice to meet you!

KL: Yooo, Good morning, How are you?

RJ: I'm good, I'm good. My name is Ricardo Johnson, I'm a sports writer for The Sports Haven, I just wanted to know If I could ask you a couple of questions?

KL: Shoot, Mr. Ricardo.

RJ: Right on, We're just a few hours away from your NXT Championship Title defense against Karrion Kross, Where's your mind at right now?

KL: [clears throat] Um, I think that right now man, I'm having so much fun just chatting with the fans, it's almost, uh, like an afterthought right now. Now, here in a few hours, it's going to be earbuds in, music hitting and really getting my body primed. Eventually, I'll have to take these sunglasses off and kinda test the intensity of the lights because obviously they're a little sensitive but ,um, yeah man, I'm just real focused.

RJ: Karrion Kross, a dangerous man, going into this fight what's your approach? Are you going for the 1-2-3 or do you want to make him tap out?

KL: Part of me just wants to beat him until he taps out but I think that for a guy like that you have to pin him and that's kinda the intent tonight. So the focus is to hit the Big Bang Catastrophe and do my best to avoid his fire mage...witch...sorceress person [Scarlett].

RJ: At last month's Great American Bash, you dedicated your win to your former trainer *Killer* Tim Brooks who unfortunately passed away this summer. Tonight, Who are you fighting for?

KL: Um, so, uh, well yeah I don't mind unloading this. Two days ago, I found out that an uncle of mine passed away...

RJ: I'm sorry

KL:...and, thank you, uh, I have three cousins,who right before I came to WWE, the very weekend before I traveled here to move, my aunt,their mother, I had to bury her and my grandmother at the same time. Which also their mother and then my uncle that passed is their father. So, I think that tonight I'm dedicating all my activity to my cousins.

RJ: I think you got it champ. My last question, if you could pick one: Lee vs Lesnar, Lee vs Lashley or Lee vs Cena?

KL: Cena.

RJ: Why do you say that?

KL: Bro, he's like the poster child, man. That's, that's legendary.

RJ: Good luck champ!

[End of Interview]

NXT TakeOver 30 begins tonight at 7pm EST.