PRE-TOURNAMENT INTERVIEW: CARLOS ORTIZ

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Q. Back home in Mexico for the OHL Classic. Just give me your thoughts coming into this week and how important of a week is this for you.

CARLOS ORTIZ: It's great. It's like a major for me being back home. It's a dream come true. Last year was my first year playing as a full-time member on the PGA TOUR and playing in my home country was really special. When you can play in front of your people and your family and everybody, it's a little bit more special than normal. Obviously I try to win every week and I do my best effort every week. It will be more special winning this week in my home country.

Q. Did you learn anything from last year in dealing with all the off-course distractions with extra family?

CARLOS ORTIZ: Yeah, it makes some things tougher because you have a lot of things to do. Just try to keep everything just before the tournament. Once the tournament starts, you try to keep it simple. It's actually great. People are really cheering for you, they really want you to do well and you can feel those vibes, so it gives you a little bit of extra motivation.

Q. What do you remember from last year, you and Oscar had top 10s here. What's your main memory of last year and what do you take away that you'll bring into this year?

CARLOS ORTIZ: I mean, mainly I stay patient. I didn't putt it as well as I wanted to. If you stay patient, you have every chance of finishing good down the stretch. If you're playing good and you're staying patient, it means that you're right there. And if you finish strong, you'll have a chance of maybe being in contention or finishing top 10 because when you finish top 25, top 10, it's a good week.