"You Be Boy and I Be Girl"

Presented by TRUE Skool's Be Girl & Be Boy Projects

TRUE Skool presents "You Be Boy and I Be Girl", an event that will engage both males' and females' perspectives as we challenge and aim to change the perceptions of gender specific roles in the urban arts, in media, in the creative and entertainment industries and in community leadership roles.

The daylong event, starting at 12noon, will feature an interactive community art project led by local youth artists/activists, panel and breakout sessions led by experts in the creative, entertainment and community leadership fields and ending with a free and all ages live Hip Hop show featuring Pharoahe Monch and Jean Grae with additional performances by Signif, KILLwaukee Xperiment, and Genesis.

Through the panel and breakout discussions, our goal is to provide an open forum to explore perceptions and gender roles and to ask the questions is this part of typical social interaction and/or is it influenced by media, community leadership, and Hip Hop music? How do we appropriately identify the factors causing strained relationships between young women and men? Breakout sessions, led by panelists, will immediately follow as we work together as a community to identify strategies to create and implement solutions in our individual lives and in our communities.

"You Be Boy and I Be Girl" Event Agenda



Wednesday March 27th, 2013 **UW-Milwaukee Union Ballroom** 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard Milwaukee, WI 53211 12noon-9pm

12:30-2:30pm Interactive/Multimedia Panel Discussion

> Featuring Hip Hop artists Pharoahe Monch, Jean Grae, and Signif (NYC/MKE) Rubin Whitmore II, Film & Media maker & Professor at Art Institute of WI Roberto Rivera, President of The Good Life Organization (Chicago, IL) Sarah Dollhausen, Executive Director of TRUE Skool (Milwaukee, WI)

Moderator: Viva Fidel

2:30-3:30pm **Breakout Discussions** led by panelists and community organizations

The Good Life Organization, Urban Underground, ACLU, No Condom No Way,

Reproductive Justice Collective

4:00-6:30pm **DINNER BREAK**

6:30pm **DOORS OPEN for performances**

7:00-9:00pm FREE & ALL AGES Hip Hop Show featuring Pharoahe Monch and Jean Grae

Performances by: Mr. Len, Signif, KILLwaukee Xperiment and Genesis.

The Be Girl Project and Be Boy Project are new additions to TRUE Skool's Urban Arts Program which launches spring 2013. The event titled "You Be Boy and I Be Girl" introduces our programming to the community in the hopes of creating dialogue and engaging community involvement in the discussion of the themes presented and as a recruitment tool for youth, adult mentors, volunteers and artists to engage in ongoing afterschool and summer programming. The Be Girl Project runs concurrently with our Be Boy Project and is in partnership with Urban Underground's Sister to Sister and Brother to Brother programs.

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