

## An Evening of Hip Hop History

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The Hip Hop Culture Center announces “An Evening of Hip Hop History”. Recognized for its Hip Hop centric education programs, large flyer collection, and record-breaking Rapathon, the integrated complex is celebrating the History of Hip Hop and Black America.

Set to take place on Friday, February 20th at The Hip Hop Culture Center, 2ND Floor of the Magic Johnson Theater on 2309 Frederick Douglass Blvd in Harlem, “An Evening of Hip Hop History” will observe Black history month & Hip Hop through art exhibitions, film screenings, and special performances. Additionally, this event will be used as a platform to educate and empower the community.

The Evening will kick off with a screening of “The Lesson Plan”, a powerful short film directed by Eddy Duran, about Willie Lynch and his impact on Black America. An exhibit of talented artist Renaldo Davidson’s latest series of pictures on President Obama & family will be displayed and available for purchase. We are quite pleased to announce that noted Hip Hop photographer and author Jamel Shabazz, will demonstrate his work and vision through a presentation, Q & A, and book signing. A mini show hosted by the Hottest Poets will include poetry and special performances by Rapathon Alumni, who will pay homage to Hip Hop icons such as Rakim, Nas, Notorious B.I.G., Brand Nubian, Tupac (2Pac), and Jay Z. This event is open to the general public, and the best freestyle emcee/spoken word artists of the evening will win a cash prize totaling \$200.00.

The Hip Hop Culture Center has utilized its massive 8,000 square foot facility to serve as a classroom, rehearsal space, and more importantly a vehicle of community. As a venue, the Hip Hop Culture Center is one of a kind in aesthetics as well as capability. Please take the time to view this link ( <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MBxB61GRGd8> ) it will give you a sense of how the youth programming is conducted. The Hip Hop Culture Center is accessible by trains A, B, C, D, 2, and 3.

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