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**Bronx WritersCorps Teaching Artists Mix It Up and Perform for their Students on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at the Bronx Museum of the Arts**

(March 13, 2014 — Bronx, NY) The Bronx WritersCorps, a program of the Bronx Council on the Arts, celebrates twenty years of giving voice to Bronx youth on Wednesday, April 2nd, from 5:00-8:00pm, at the Bronx Museum of the Arts. In this premiere event, the program’s talented teaching artists — all renowned in the hip-hop and spoken word communities — will perform for their students. The Bronx Museum of the Arts is located at 1040 Grand Concourse at 165th Street. Phone: 718-681-6000. For directions, visit their website at [www.bronxmuseum.org](http://www.bronxmuseum.org). Admission to the event is free and open to the public. All are welcome.



Pictured clockwise are Brother Earl (your host for the evening), Intikana, Caridad “La Bruja” de la Luz, Kasim Allah and Divine who will perform for their students in a table-turning event where the instructors take the stage to showcase their performance strategy and word-sculpting skills. This special event will be co-hosted by Bronx hip-hop music and media group Circa '95 (Reph Star and Patty Dukes, bottom left).

For two decades, the Bronx WritersCorps has been giving voice to Bronx youth by creating weekly afterschool workshops led by the roster of talented teaching artists who will be performing this evening. The participants benefit by learning public and professional presentation techniques, improving language skills, enhancing their writing skills and developing a higher sense of self-esteem.

Bronx WritersCorps teaching artists operate in six under-served South Bronx sites: three BronxWorks family shelters, two Good Shepherd Services Non-Secure Detention (NSD) Residences and the Horizon Juvenile Detention Center. Each of these sites hosts regular workshops where youth, ages 13-18, develop spoken word writing, revision and performance skills. Each location produces a yearly poetry anthology and sends participants to the Bronx WritersCorps Annual Youth Poetry Showcase slated for June of this year. Information on this showcase will be posted on [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org).

For information on this event, or on other programs and activities of the Bronx Council on the Arts, visit [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org) or call 718-931-9500.

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