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In response to feedback from the first annual Hip-Hop and Spoken Word Festival, the St. Joseph's Historic Foundation, Inc. / Hayti Heritage Center is proud to present an artist showcase and networking event called the FANTASTIC FOUR, representing the four traditional elements of Hip Hop: DJing, B-Boying/B-Girling, MCing, Graffiti Art, Sunday, June 12, 2005 at 6PM. The showcase will be hosted by Language Arts, Zayd Malik, and DJ India,WXDU 88.7radio personality,Special guest DJ will be DJ Skaz of the Butta Team and we will also have a guest appearance by Durham?s own Nasty Fruit.

The event will begin with the hour long networking and listening party for those that wish to get feedback on their music and make the connections w/ the areas tastemakers, movers and shakers. Then there will be an artist showcase featuring some of the best performers in the area. The networking portion of the evening will be held from 6-7pm. The Showcase will begin at 7pm.

Featured artists have been chosen through a committee selection process. The showcases will allow artists to come together and present their element of the Hip Hop culture. The artists participating include Felicia of 18 Wheeler, Alpha 2 Omega, B.I.P., Val Richardson, All-Stars from the B-boy crew the Mighty Arms of Atlas, and more. A networking session will provide artists, managers, label reps, producers, and DJs a chance to meet and build new relationships. The networking session will include a new music listening party, promotional items from up and coming artists, and special gifts from label street teams. All artists represent at least one of the (4) elements of Hip Hop.

Admission for the general public is \$5 and tickets can be purchased at the door.

The submission process is ongoing for future consideration. The selection committee will review submitted materials the first Monday of each month. Submitted materials will not be returned. Submissions should be mailed or hand delivered to:

Hayti Heritage Center C/O Fantastic Four 804 Old Fayetteville Street Durham, NC 27701

For more information please visit http://www.hayti.org or call the Hayti Heritage Center at (919) 683-1709. All events are held at the Hayti Heritage Center located at 804 Old Fayetteville Street.