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On Thursday, November 20, revolutionary, powerhouse, Viper Records President and outspoken independent hip hop / rap recording artist Immortal Technique, will perform live on stage at DNA Lounge, returning to the Bay to raise funds in support of a badly needed orphanage and medical center in war torn Afghanistan. Working closely with human rights advocacy organization, Omeid International, outspoken hip hop artist Immortal Technique's performance raises funds earmarked for developing the Amin institute in Kabul where some of the two million orphaned and 60,000 homeless children of Afghanistan will receive full-scale rehabilitation from the devastating effects of war. Besides just doing the benefit show the hip hop artist Immortal Technique is pledging \$10,000 of his own money and is traveling to the war torn heartland of Afghanistan to assure the final stages of construction are completed.

Known far beyond the hip hop community for his fiery assaults on corruption, racism, classism and oppression, Immortal Technique has also garnered a reputation for backing his politics with action, historical context and personal responsibility. The Institute, which is set to begin operating in March 2009, will provide safe housing, education, medical and psychological care and some sense of hope to twenty of these displaced children.

"My people this was not brought to you by some corporate sponsor, nor was it manufactured by some organization that takes 60% of the \$ donated for "administrative" purposes. I am not a millionaire. I am not a movie star or a charity organization. I am just a man that heard the call and responded." -Immortal Technique

Wars and other conflicts, regardless of their political meaning or benefit always leave in their wake a devastating trail of destitution and hopelessness, especially for children. These young survivors have no politics. They have neither desire for property, prestige or domination over others; rather simply they struggle only to see another day. These orphaned souls face the dangers of hunger and disease along with the constant threats endemic to failed states in the third world, including extremists, human and opium traffickers and other such predators who take advantage of these helpless children.

The Institute will be a beacon of goodwill in a place that has seen so much negativity and pain, giving many a chance at a real future that otherwise would be incredibly bleak. Real lives will be changed as they are shown what the determination and willingness of compassion can accomplish.

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If you are in or will be in San Francisco, California on Nov. 20th please check out and support this cause. If you are not able to attend contact Immortal Technique on his myspace page <u>Http://www.Myspace.com/ImmortalTechnique</u> to see other ways to donate to this important cause.

Thursday, November 20th, 2008

Tastemaker Live, Angel Magik & Omeid International present:

Benefit for Afghanistan's Children of War with Immortal Technique :: live performance

DNA Lounge

375 Eleventh St., San Francisco, CA

415-756-0732

All Ages / Doors 8:30pm, Show 9:30pm

\$19 ADV Tickets at <u>www.dnalounge.com</u> or \$22 DOS

About Immortal Technique

Immortal Technique is the voice of those victims of Government's lies and carnage. Having toured the world several times with over 200k albums sold-to-date independently, Immortal Technique has graced publications such as The Source, XXL, VIBE, The Washington Post, The

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New York Times, LA Times, Village Voice, Playboy and even featured on the cover of URB magazine. While his lyrics are controversial, they are meaningful ideas and circumstances based on FACT. They are lyrics lived and seen through the eyes of Immortal Technique, a young but seasoned veteran and proven leader in the political and musical arena. His Billboard charted album, "The 3rd World" is currently out in stores.

Visit Immortal Technique on his myspace page and support and respect the real.

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