

## Rosa Clemente Hip-Hop Activist

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Due to the tremendous success and enthusiastic response from youth,

student activists and community leaders to Know Thy Self Productions

and its renowned Hip Hop activism tours, Know Thy Self Productions is

pleased to present a groundbreaking workshop and lecture:

AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND LATINO HIP HOP RESISTANCE: UNITING OUR

GENERATION!

Presenting this interactive workshop, is nationally renowned Hip Hop

activist and journalist Rosa Clemente. Rosa Clemente is a Black Puerto

Rican grassroots organizer, journalist, and entrepreneur. She is one of

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one of the most inspirational and dynamic speakers of the Hip Hop

generation. After hearing her speak you will be inspired to join the

movement for social justice!" Having worked with a who's who in the hip

hop industry she has seen the need for our communities to come together

to create the social change that is necessary in order for Black and

Latino's to unite, celebrate our similarities and respect our

differences.

As more and more people in American, particularly youth of color begin

to feel the effects of an expanding United States military and prison

industrial complex, Hip Hoppers throughout the United States are

resisting. African-American and Latino youth are coming together like

they did so when creating the culture of Hip Hop. This

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lecture/interactive workshop will show the historical legacy of

African-American and Latino unity, trace its history throughout the

60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and finally urges our two similar communities to

join forces to bring about change in this country. Through this

workshop and presentation participants will be able to discuss their

views, identify community issues and effectively use Hip Hop culture as

a tool for uniting African-American and Latino's "This decade will be a

defining one in the history of the Hip Hop Generation, African American

and Latino's must unite, Hip Hop has always been a tool of resistance,

by speaking truth to power we continue this tradition."

Other workshop and presentations include, include:

? The National Hip Hop Political Assembly: Building and Independent

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### Political Party for the Hip Hop Generation

? It's Bigger than Hip Hop: Political Activism and the Hip Hop

### Generation

? Who is Black? A Puerto Rican Claims Her place in the African Diaspora

? Women of Color: Developing Radical Leadership for the 21st Century

? Young Lords to Vieques: The Radical Tradition and History of the

Puerto Rican Struggle for Independence.

To book Rosa for your event please call or email

718.684.1666/knowthyself@mac.com

Rosa Clemente founded KNOW THY SELF MEDIA RELATIONS in 1993. Seeing a

need for young people, particularly young people of color to be heard

and taken seriously she began presenting workshops and lectures at

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colleges, universities, high schools, and prisons. KTSP has produced

three major Hip Hop activism tours, Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win with

M1 of dead prez and Fred Hampton Jr.; The ACLU College Freedom Tour

with dead prez, DJ Kuttin Kandi, Mystic and comedian Dave Chapelle; and

the Speak Truth to Power Tour a collaborative tour of award winning

HipHop activists.

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With earned degrees from the University of Albany and Cornell

University she is committed to scholar-activism and youth organizing.

Her work as an activist has taken her across the United States and

internationally.

She has delivered lectures on topics such as; African-American and

Latino/a Intercultural Relations, Hip-Hop Activism, The History of the

Young Lords Party, and Organizing to Free United States Political

Prisoners.

Rosa has written for Clamor Magazine, The Ave. magazine, The Black

World Today, The Final Call and numerous websites. She has been the

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She has appeared on CNN, C-Span, Democracy Now and Street Soldiers. In

2001 she was a youth representative at the United Nations World

Conference against Racism in South Africa and in 2002 was named by Red

Eye Magazine as one of the top 50 Hip Hop Activists to look out for.

MOST RECENTLY Rosa was a cofounder and coordinator of the National Hip

Hop political Convention that drew over 3000 Hip Hop generation

activists brought together to create a national agenda for the hip-hop

generation and merging the grassroots with electoral politics.

Currently she is a producer with WBAI's (99.5 FM/NYC), an organizer

with the Malcolm X Grassroots Movement, spokesperson for the National

Hip Hop Assembly and a Board Member for the National Coalition Against

the Death Penalty (NCADP).

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