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"Incarcerate This: Young Men of Comedy" at the Ice House in Pasadena on Saturday offers an opportunity to feel good twice. It is a night to relax and laugh, and also a way of helping others.

This will be the first stop from comedians Kenji Thomas, Jimmy Ouyang, Martin Rizo and Flaco Martinez, who will be taking their show on tour throughout the Los Angeles area to benefit Young Angels of America.

Young Angels of America is an after-school program that teaches business skills and financial literacy to lower-income middle and high school students using the entertainment industry as its platform.

Emerging artists and executives work with schools to review their resources and develop plans to help generate funds. Higher-income schools give lower-income schools a step up in starting their own programs.

The children are involved in every step of the process, learning the key aspects of business, including math, marketing, advertising and banking, along with acquiring leadership and fundraising skills.

Passing it forward with laughter

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The entertainers of "Incarcerate This" all draw the funny from the various aspects of young urban life. They have performed at many comedy venues, including the Jon Lovitz Club at Universal CityWalk. Ouyang was recently named one of the top 30 young comedians in America by FunnyorDie.

The \$10 tickets include a \$5 voucher good for a visit to The Ice House; the \$25 tickets include a ticket for a return visit to the Ice House for as many as four people.

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