

***Los Angeles Non-Profit Young Angels of America
launch comedy tour on August 13, 2011***

PASADENA – A talented group of young comics work it out on the comedy stage at The Ice House Comedy Night Club and Restaurant in Pasadena, Calif, on Saturday, August 13, 2011 at 8:00 p.m., in support of the Young Angels of America Leadership Program.

Hosted by acclaimed comedian Reggie Brown, Brown has made a name for himself as the best President Obama impersonator. Brown recently made national headlines when he was escorted off the stage at the June 2011 Republican Leadership Conference after he made several jokes about the Republican presidential hopefuls and President Obama’s biracial roots to a room of conservative activists. He has also been featured on Jimmy Kimmel Live, Bill Maher, and Fox News with Mike Huckabee.

Featuring comedians Kenji Thomas, Jimmy Ouyang, Martin Rizo, and Flaco Martinez, *Incarcerate This: Young Men Of Comedy* will debut at ‘The Ice House’ and continue to tour throughout Los Angeles. The show will also be offered to lower-income schools throughout Los Angeles County at no cost for fundraising opportunities.

The Young Angels of America Comedy Project began in 2010 at two Green Dot Charter High Schools in Watts, California. Inspired by the Dellums Commission report, “Young Men of Color in the Media: Images and Impacts” a publication of the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, “*Incarcerate This*” provides a platform for young men to start conversations and voice concerns about issues such as the juvenile justice system and the misrepresentation of young minority men in the media.

“The statistics relating to juvenile incarceration are all you need to look at to understand the need for young male comics to lend their voice to the issues facing young men today. The comics involved in this project work in the classroom with us, and offer an example of how powerful it is to have an opinion and a voice,” said Rachel Butler Green, Director of Young Angels Emerging Artists & Executives.

The Ice House Comedy Night Club and Restaurant is located at 24 North Mentor Ave, in Pasadena, Calif. Tickets can be purchased for pre-sale at www.youngangelsofamerica.org, or at the door for \$10.00 and \$25.00 for reserved seats. As a thank you, ‘The Ice House’ is

offering those who purchase a \$10 ticket, a \$5 admission ticket, redeemable on their next visit. For those who purchase a \$25 ‘reserved seat’ ticket, they will receive a complimentary admission ticket redeemable for up to four guests for their next visit. Cocktails with the comics will follow after the show. Press passes will be provided upon confirmation of attendance.

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Founded in 2002, Young Angels of America’s mission is to foster a culture of philanthropy and financial independence in adolescent Americans. Through a program of peer event production and business, student Team members learn leadership skills necessary to offer effective support to their communities.