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A-List Speaker Series Hosts Second Annual Event Chicago Youth Connect with Hollywood Insiders

Chicago, IL (August 22, 2017) - The second annual motivational A-List Speaker Series will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at the Thorne Auditorium of Northwestern University's Pritzker School of Law from 1:00 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Last year's event drew hundreds of African American and Latino young adults from across the city. The A-List Speaker Series was created to inspire and motivate young adults interested in pursuing careers in the entertainment industry. It is geared towards minority young adults ages 14 to 24. Students and young professionals meet minorities in Hollywood's elite and learn practical strategies to achieve success in the entertainment business.

A-List Speaker Series invites attendees to join and experience the ultimate entertainment engagement - four accomplished industry speakers. The panel experts will discuss the latest trends in the industry and provide information on best practices. It is an opportunity for attendees to learn about their vision and ask the featured speakers questions; business and legal affairs, the power of public relations, photography and visual effects and telling your story through cinema. This event is free and open to the public.

[Jeanne Sparrow](#), Emmy-winning television host and reporter, will moderate the event. [Lisa Marie Boykin](#), Senior Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs at Annapurna Pictures (*Zero Dark Thirty*, *The Hurt Locker* and *Detroit*), will serve as key note speaker and the event will be rounded out with three talented and celebrated guest panelists; [Robin E. Beaman](#), publicist (Harpo Productions, HBO and Revlon), [Noel Occomy](#), editor and cinematographer, (HGTV, CHI-RAQ) and [Parrish Lewis](#) photographer and director (photographed President Obama, Beyonce and LeBron James)

"We're excited to be back at Northwestern University and with our partner/sponsors Cinespace and Embarc, bring this much needed dialog to the Chicago community," said A-List Speaker Series' creator and producer, Imani Khayyuh. "We are building off of last year's success and adding new experts to further round-out and hopefully inspire future storytellers of tomorrow.

About the A List Speaker's Series

The A-List Speaker Series was created to serve our youth and young adults in the City of Chicago and Chicagoland community. Produced by the Green Thumb Consulting Group, the A-List Speaker Series makes the seemingly inaccessible, accessible, connecting an expected audience of more than 450 aspiring young adults between the ages of 14-24 with Hollywood's elite. For more information, visit: www.alistspeakerseries.com.

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