

## MediaBridge Screenwriters' Lab Hosts Lookingglass Theatre Company

August 6-10, 2007

Press Release

## MediaBridge Goes Through the 'Lookingglass'

Professional Actors Present the Work of Teen Screenwriters

Chicago, IL - On August 6, a creative meeting of the minds will occur as the "United Nations of film" partners with one of Chicago's most innovative theatre companies. lokingglass

As part of Facets' second annual MediaBridge Screenwriters' Lab, held August 6-10 at the Harold Washington Cultural Center (4701 S. King Dr.), five members of Chicago's acclaimed Lookingglass Theatre Company are bringing their collective talents to the MediaBridge Screenwriters' Lab.

Jasmin Cardenas, Niki Prugh, Adeoye, Meredith Glidden, and James D. Farruggio will perform the screenplays of twenty-five budding filmmakers. Fourteen youth ambassadors from eight different countries, in collaboration with eleven Illinois teens, have produced original screenplays as the result of a university-level screenwriting course. The Lookingglass actors will bring the words on the page to life, while Chicago film professionals advise the MediaBridge writers on creative choices, character development, and plot. Select scenes will be staged and filmed on the Harold Washington Cultural Center's sound stage.

"We're delighted to have such a talented team working with these remarkable young screenwriters," says MediaBridge Manager Nate Sears. "Having actors of this caliber will enhance the whole process of the Lab."

The Screenwriters' Lab will be held through August 10 at the Harold Washington

Cultural Center (47th and King Drive).

For more information about the MediaBridge Program, please contact Josh Flanders at 773-281-9075, email <a href="mailto:kidsfest@facets.org">kidsfest@facets.org</a>, or click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> for more information on the MediaBridge summer youth filmmaking program.

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