

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AMONG YOUTH

Our panel presentations and discussions concluded with a look at addressing the issues of intimate partner violence among youth. This panel was conducted by Ivan Juzang (MEE Productions, Inc), Leah Aldridge (Commission on Assaults Against Women) and Byron Hurt (God Bless The Child Productions).

IVAN JUZANG

- A few themes I've seen emerge in my work.
 - Young men respect women who wait.
 - Men have their own issues around sexual health care.
- If you're working with youth, you must add "communicator" to your title.
- Hip-Hop is an oral-based culture, so how are you persuasive with an oral-based culture?
- How do we use media to our advantage?
- How do we use peer-to-peer communication?
- How do adults talk to youth? Have adults earned their respect?
- How, as a community, do we support parenting?

LEAH ALDRIDGE

- People don't need to wait until they're 21 years old to experience domestic violence. Young people experience it in their partner relationships and often these are the best relationships they have.
- We have to be prepared to address the needs of our youth holistically before we can even begin to address healthy relationships.

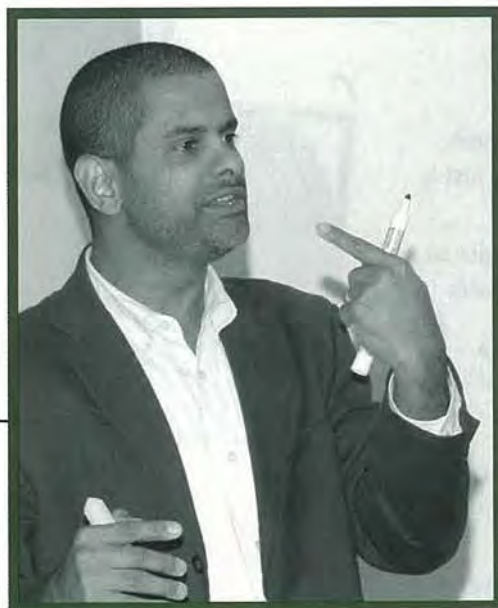
- We have to think of and respond to their economic, health, physical, social, housing needs, to name just a few.
- We can also help them learn how to criticize media so they can deconstruct it then make consumer choices based on a deeper understanding of media.

BYRON HURT

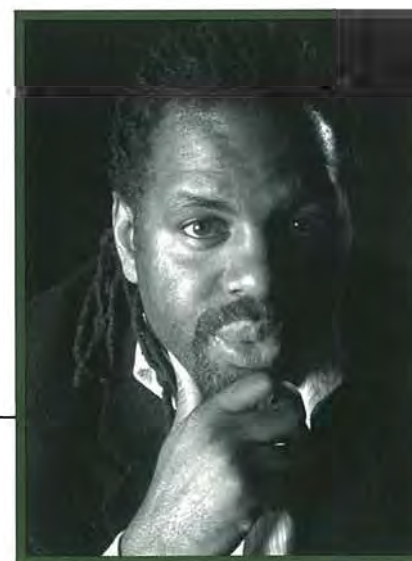
- "Men, do you do anything on a daily basis to protect yourself, on a daily basis, against sexual assault or rape?" This question changed my life.
- For the past ten years, I've been on a real journey.
- The more I've learned, the more I challenged other men, the more I had to question what I heard in Hip-Hop.
- I want to inspire men to speak out against anything to do with misogyny, homophobia, ultra-masculinity. As men, we can do something about it!



FILM PRESENTATIONS



Ivan Juzang, founder of MEE Productions, a unique and groundbreaking market research and communications company which adheres to a founding principle of using socially responsible entrepreneurship to reach and positively influence urban youth and difficult-to-reach ethnic minority populations, presented the video *This is My Reality: Sexuality in the Lives of Urban Black Youth*.

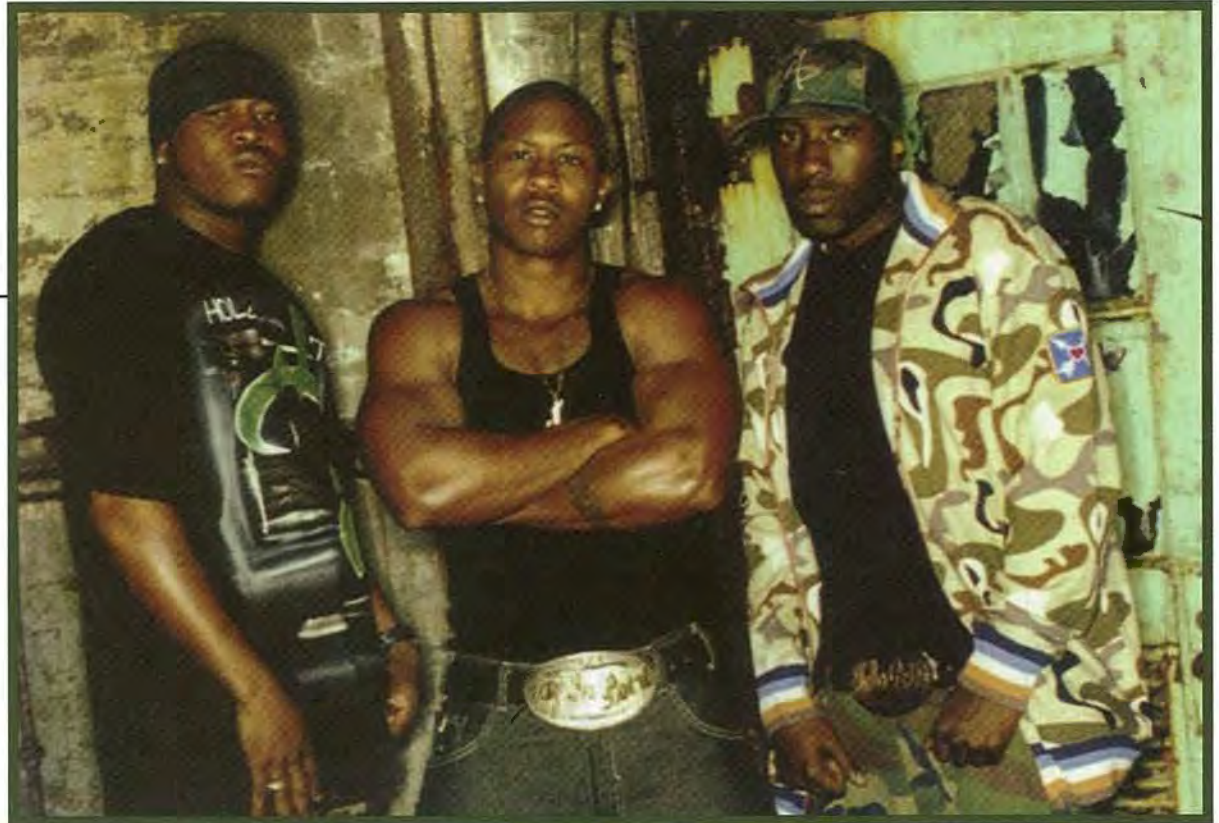


Byron Hurt, producer of the award-winning documentary film *I am a Man: Black Masculinity in America*, screened his current film-in-progress *Beyond Beats and Rhymes: Masculinity in Hip-Hop Culture*, a film that takes an in-depth look at machismo in rap music and Hip-Hop culture. The film includes voices of rap fans and social critics from inside and outside the Hip-Hop world who speak candidly about the struggle to negotiate the exciting creativity, addictive rhythms and intoxicating beats of rap music and blatant misogyny, cavalier violence and deeply rooted homophobia that permeates the art form.

FILM PRESENTATIONS

Blessed with a unique style that incorporates both the deep knowledge and understanding of the great musicians of their city's past and a new school sensibility that is sure to tap into a modern day rap fan's consciousness, the three-man group Holla Point, boasts more than your average MC collective. Rhyme partners Malachi, Aimos and Trap anchor the group with their deeply moving vocals and signature flows.

A video of their Hip-Hop song entitled *Baby Mama* was viewed in order to offer constructive reaction and feedback regarding the content and lyrics of the song to the artists.



AWARDS

We congratulated and thanked our award winners.



Practice Award
Presented to

Leah Aldridge



The Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community recognizes your gifts, contributions and tireless efforts to heal the African American Community with particular emphasis on youth associated with the issue of domestic violence.

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Angel Award
Presented to

Sandra Camacho



The Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community recognizes an individual whose life and work has resulted in the lives of women, children and men being healed from the damaging affects of violence.

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Angel Award
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Susan Schecter



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Wellstone Humanitarian Award
Presented to
Susan Taylor



As a recipient of this award, you embody the same selfless commitment and altruistic spirit as demonstrated by the late Shelia and Senator Paul Wellstone. *The Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community* commends you for your commitment to your community, tireless effort to heal and raise public consciousness concerning the issues of domestic violence Among African Americans.

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Research Award
Presented to
Ivan Juzang



The Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community presents this award to you for your outstanding efforts to explore challenges associated with domestic violence in the African American community. You are further recognized for the important and unique way you share and disseminate the results of your findings to practitioners, policy makers, researchers and the target audience of your research effort. You are valued for your leadership.

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Media Award
Presented to
Byron Hurt



The Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community recognizes your contributions and efforts that inspire and empower African Americans to confront domestic violence within the African American community through your media, information sharing, and public education efforts.

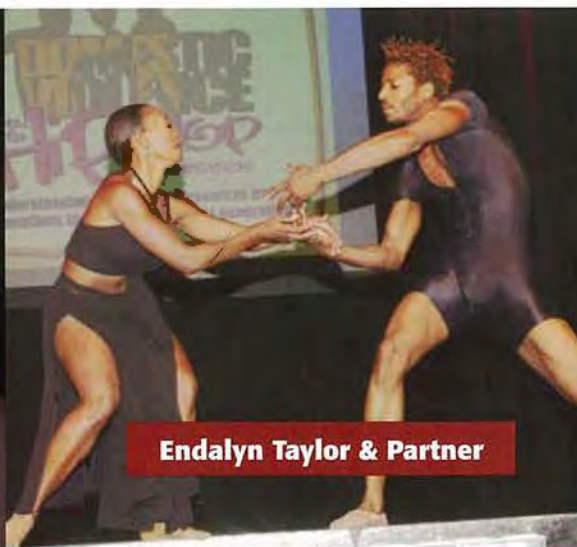
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LIVE PERFORMANCES

We concluded our conference with live performances and presentations by Kevin Powell, Endalyn Taylor, June Smith Bryant, Camille Yarborough, Baysley Bombers, NaNa Soul, and asha bandele.



Kevin Powell



Endalyn Taylor & Partner



Baysley Bombers



asha bandele



NaNa Soul

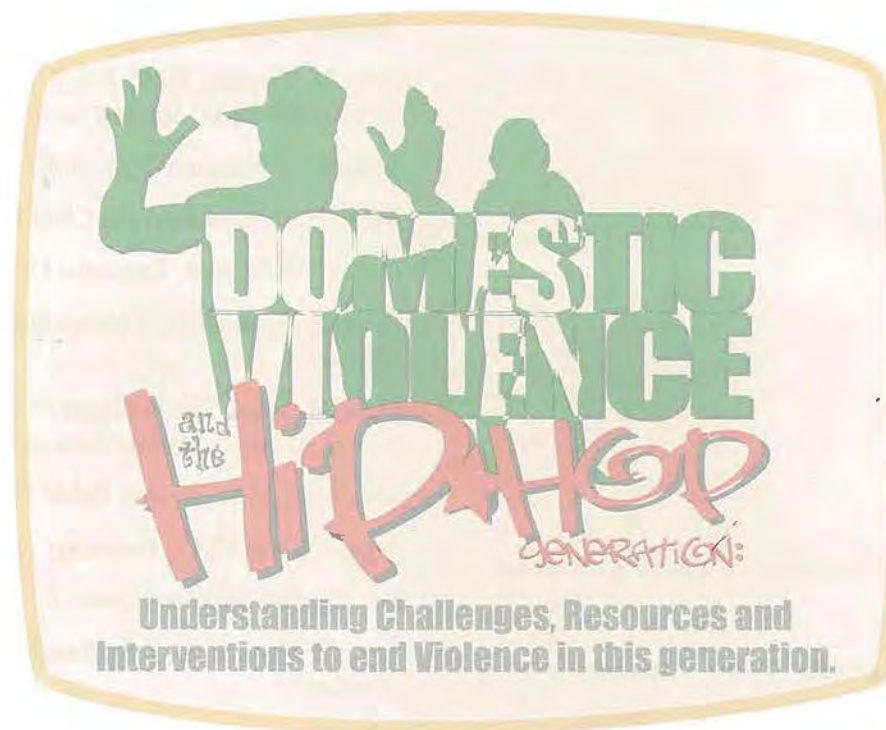


Camille Yarborough



June Smith Bryant & Endalyn Taylor

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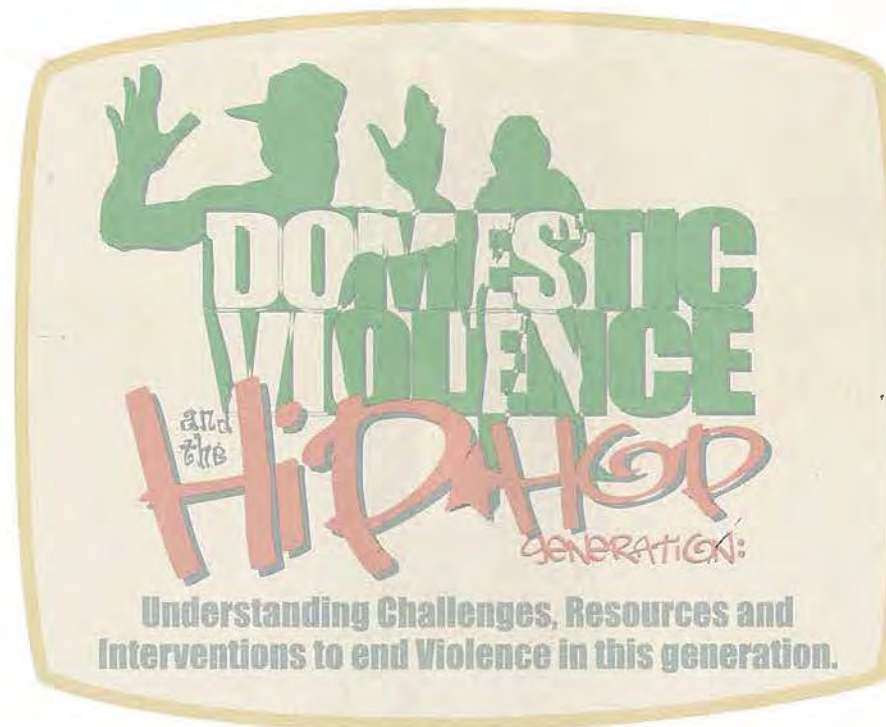


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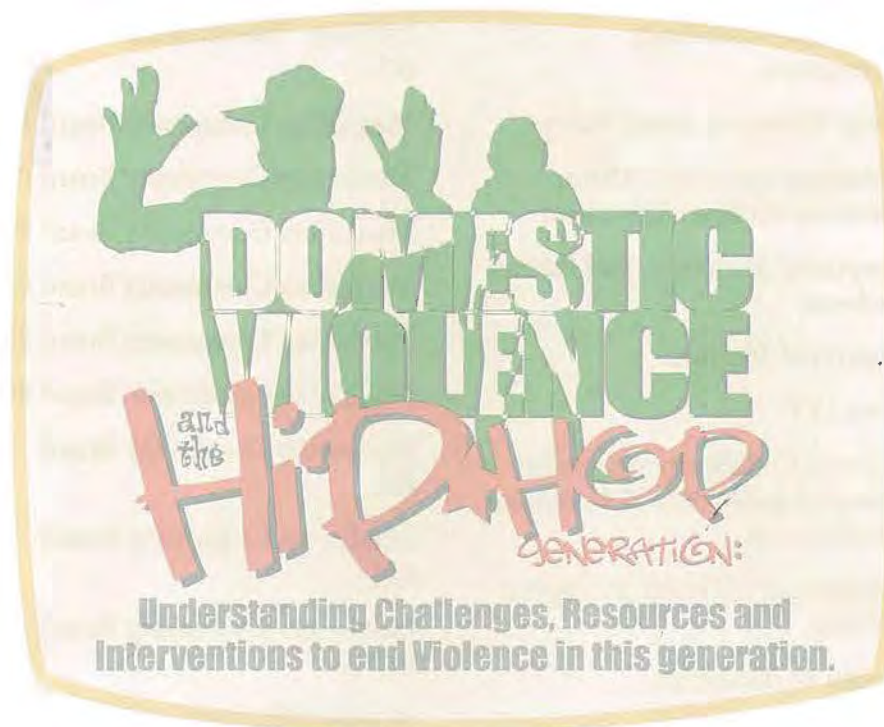


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Back row standing left to right - Dr. Oliver J. Williams, Kelly Mitchell-Clark, Dr. William Oliver, Dr. Linner Ward-Griffin, Dr. Robert L. Hampton. Front row sitting left to right - Joyce N. Thomas, Shelia Hankins, Dr. Esther J. Jenkins, Antonnia A. Vann, Dr. Beth Richie

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