

SOME SEE A HOPELESS END,
WHILE OTHERS SEE AN ENDLESS HOPE.



MISSION

Hope's Voice educates, inspires and empowers.
We are driven by inspiring, relevant, real and
often misunderstood stories of hope.

DIVAS OF DIVERSITY



Today higher educational institutions have become more aware and committed to ending the discrimination endured by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) members on their campus. For students, diversity is an everyday part of campus life and yet differences continue to divide young people.

According to Campus Pride's State of Higher Education for LGBT People Report more than one-third of LGBT undergraduate students reported experiencing harassment, while 79% of those harassed identified students as the source of the bullying. LGBT students have expressed fear for their physical safety with over half reporting concealing their sexual orientation and/or gender identity to avoid intimidation.

DIVAS OF DIVERSITY, in partnership with Campus Pride, is presented by the unforgettable talent of Logo's hit show RuPaul's Drag Race. The divas are putting on their heels to entertain and educate campuses. The event provides the opportunity for young people to have a platform to embrace their differences and celebrate diversity—all while having a great time!

DIVAS OF DIVERSITY includes the diva sharing their story of discrimination and acceptance, a powerful drag show performance and always time for questions and answers, hosted by a member of the campus community. The performance will have the audience on their feet and it's easy to see why they are the best in the country!



bebe zahara benet

Marshall, born in Cameroon, grew up determined to follow his dreams. During a runway show in France, Marshall stepped out of his trousers and into an elegant evening gown after a model failed to arrive. Gorgeously-graceful Bebe Zahara Benet was born. Bebe has delighted audiences with a strong, bold and entertaining character. She was the winner of the inaugural season of RuPaul's Drag Race. "We are not here to tolerate each other. We are here to accept and work with our differences and similarities."



raja gemini

Sutan Amrull is not an easy name to have for a boy growing up in La Puente, California, a primarily hispanic neighborhood. Growing up his fantasy world was far more exciting to him than making friends. Throughout school, he found himself feeling misunderstood and was tormented by name calling and harassment. Sutan was an art major at California State University Fullerton and found his passion--the theater department. Raja was born. As the lead make-up artist on America's Next Top Model for six cycles and the winner of RuPaul's Drag Race she has become a household name in today's pop culture. Raja inspires young people to follow their passion and creativity.



shangela

Darius' story starts with a big personality and even bigger hair. He grew up with a veteran, single mom and loving grandparents. Darius, first in his family to graduate from college, moved to Los Angeles to pursue his dreams. Within months the money was gone and he found himself trading his dignity for a bag of groceries. Today Darius, known as Shangela, entertains audiences and inspires young people to know, "It's okay to fall. It's how you get back up that counts."

shannel

Bryan's past has made him the person he is today. As a teenager he struggled with his weight and encountered the discrimination from his peers because they considered him to be "different." Bryan combated his shyness by taking a debate class and his weight by dedicating his time to getting into shape. The experience changed his life. Today Bryan, known as Shannel, is an expert in the art of female impersonation. Her over-the-top performances have been leaving audiences in awe.



diva 101

workshop

The Talent of **DIVAS OF DIVERSITY** are the best in the country for a reason! The art of transforming into drag is often a tedious task that can take several hours. The **DIVAS OF DIVERSITY** have had to learn their own tricks and industry secrets to become the drag superstars they are today!

The **DRAG 101** workshop includes the history of drag and a lesson on the skills and tools needed to make the incredible transformation. The diva becomes the professor and the participants are the students. The workshop includes an informative and eye-opening personal perspective on the past struggles and successes of the drag community, walking in heels (not an easy task), applying and blending makeup, picking the right wig, the perfect outfit and tips on putting together a show that will have the audience on their feet!

At the conclusion of **DRAG 101** the participants will show off their skills and participate in the **DIVAS OF DIVERSITY** event. This important and entertaining workshop will have the participants finding their inner diva!

diva for a day

workshop

The **DIVA FOR A DAY** workshop is coming to campuses to turn a student, chosen by the Sponsor, into an over-the-top show-stopping glamorous diva!

The professor of drag will teach their student the art of doing drag. The transformation will be done by the professor who will apply make-up, pick the perfect wig and put together an amazing outfit. The transformation wouldn't be complete unless the diva for a day learned how to get their audience on their feet.

Once in drag the diva will learn how to walk in heels, get the audience excited and learn how to embrace their inner diva. You won't believe your eyes when the divas for a day hit the stage! It's time to trade the high tops for a pair of high heels. The diva performs in a runway style "drag off" performance. The winner, chosen by the audience, will be crowned as the campus diva for a day complete with a sash and crown, provided by Hope's Voice.

DOES HIV LOOK LIKE ME?

MY FACE, MY VOICE, MY STORY

According to the Center of Disease Control there are over 1.2 million people living with HIV or AIDS in the United States. Each year over 55,000 Americans, half under the age of 25, are infected with HIV. It is estimated that one out of every five individuals of those living with HIV or AIDS, do not know they are infected.

DOES HIV LOOK LIKE ME? is presented by young people living with HIV or AIDS. The event includes an informative HIV and AIDS 101, the Talent sharing their story of being diagnosed and living with the disease and always time for questions and answers. The Talent offer a variety of diverse stories with information and a personal connection to young people by sharing their unique perspective and the realities of their own life of living, not dying, with the disease.

DOES HIV LOOK LIKE ME? is encouraging young people to know their status and end stigma and discrimination against those living with the disease—all without using fear.



chelsea white

Chelsea was the girl next door. She attended her college classes, worked to pay the bills and played wife to a man who was her love, her life and who would eventually bring her heartbreak. Chelsea had an HIV test after learning her partner had been unfaithful. A few weeks later she received the news that she was not only HIV positive but six weeks pregnant. Devastated and alone Chelsea now had to deal with being an HIV positive woman and expectant mother in today's harsh world.



christina rock

In 1986, at the age of 2½, Christina's mother, Elizabeth fell extremely ill and tested positive for HIV. Shortly thereafter, Christina was tested and became the first infant to be perinatally infected with HIV in the Florida Keys. In the early days of the epidemic HIV and AIDS meant exclusion, fear and judgment. She lived to do what once was thought to be impossible—graduate from high school, go to college and become a proud parent to a beautiful HIV negative son and daughter.

kelly gluckman

Kelly was dating the man of her dreams but couldn't shake a voice in her head and she knew it was time to start listening. Kelly found out news that would set her life on a new path—she was HIV positive and was infected by the man she loved. She immediately knew she had two options—be angry or take responsibility. Kelly was heartbroken and after attempting to make it work with him it was clear it was time to let go and move on. Her journey has taken her to difficult places but she has forgiven herself and is committed to inspiring other young people to protect themselves.



Want to know the rest of their stories, watch their videos, learn more about **DOES HIV LOOK LIKE ME?**, request a catalog and book an event? Visit www.hopesvoice.org



kevin fletcher

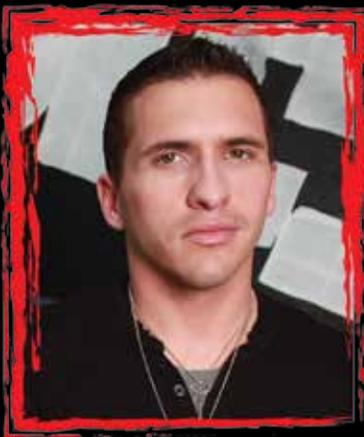
Kevin grew up in an all-American family. After receiving his associates degree he attended Gallaudet University. Kevin struggled with depression and began to self medicate by consuming alcohol often to the point of losing consciousness and making poor decisions. Kevin took an HIV test, after learning a partner had tested positive for the virus. He too learned he had HIV. "My goal with my story is to be the voice that was never granted to me, to speak up where others won't and to never stop talking about this devastating virus."

lolisa gibson

Lolisa's childhood was full of fun and adventure. At the age of sixteen, she started to notice physical problems with her body. The discomfort turned into uncontrollable pain and when it had reached a breaking point her mother carried her into the hospital, demanding answers. Her doctor suggested that she have an HIV test. Lolisa, with her mother by her side, learned she was HIV positive. Later she learned her mother was also living with HIV and most likely Lolisa was born with the virus.



todd murray



Todd grew up in a family with strong parents who were loving and supportive. He was involved in church, school and the community, but he always felt "different." Taunts from his peers turned into daily abuse and bullying and out of fear for his safety he left public high school. He moved to New York City and found a sense of freedom. He accompanied his best friend to get an HIV test. Two weeks later Todd found out the news that would change his life forever- he was HIV positive.

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true beauty

The expectation and pressure to meet the standard of beauty that society and media puts on young people often means students struggle to love themselves and celebrate who they are, creating issues that reach far beyond everyday campus life.

TRUE BEAUTY is presented by the incredible cast of the hit show *The Glee Project*, a show based on acceptance. The cast is taking a break from William McKinley High School and heading to college and university campuses to educate and entertain. **TRUE BEAUTY** addresses the importance of self worth and self esteem.

TRUE BEAUTY includes the Talent sharing their struggles and successes with creating their own definition of beauty and following their dreams, two unforgettable performances and always time for questions and answers, hosted by a member of the campus community.

TRUE BEAUTY encourages young people to come together to be inspired and to create a conversation about self acceptance. The event will have participants embracing what makes them unique and beautiful.





emily vasquez

The obstacles in Emily's life have made her a stronger person today. Growing up she was driven to break the cycle of alcoholism and drug abuse that had broken her family. Her greatest love has always been singing and she was determined to define her destiny. A man, whom she trusted, abused her and took advantage of her love of music. She struggled to find her self confidence but she found her worth and voice again. Today she is standing tall, following her dreams and inspiring audiences to know they are beautiful and a shining star.

hannah mcialwain

Hannah is a confident, determined and successful young woman but it hasn't always been that way. Growing up her parents were in the military which meant she was always on the move and making new friends and finding her place wasn't easy. Hannah, like many young people, struggled with body image issues and finding her self confidence. All her life she has been the "chubby" girl and it has taken a long time to break free from the stereotype. Today, Hannah has pushed past her insecurities and has discovered her true beauty.



matheus fernandes

People are whispering. People are staring. Moments that have been a part of Matheus' life. It has made him want to hide in the shadows--it wasn't easy being different. It made life seem unfair. After countless doctor visits he received a diagnosis--he was just plain short. For Matheus, music brought happiness and was an escape from the bullying. He struggled with thoughts of not "fitting in" or being "normal" until he found the courage to perform. He was done hiding and left behind his insecurities. Matheus' story shows that when you love yourself, your true beauty shines.



tyler ford

Tyler has always felt different. He was born a female but struggled with the overwhelming feeling that he was born in the wrong body. He found it difficult to express the thoughts that filled his head. The demanding gender roles from society led to a dark depression. Tyler repressed his gender issues until he forgot they existed and then everything changed--he started living his truth. Today, Tyler is living proof that when you learn to accept yourself, you can lead the life you love.

SOUND OFF

workshop

The **SOUND OFF** workshop is coming to colleges and universities to transform a student, chosen by the campus, into the Glee-tastic star they were born to be!

As part of the **SOUND OFF** workshop, campuses have their own singing Glee Competition, prior to the **TRUE BEAUTY** event. The format of the competition and electronic promotional materials, provided by Hope's Voice, will encourage the entire campus to come out to vote for their favorite contestant.

The **TRUE BEAUTY** Talent becomes the professor and the Glee Competition winner will have their own vocal lesson and will prepare their star-studded debut. At the conclusion of the **TRUE BEAUTY** event, the Glee Competition winner will show off their skills and perform a powerful duet with the **TRUE BEAUTY** Talent.

Silent Statement

workshop

The **SILENT STATEMENT** workshop is coming to campuses to inspire young people to know that being vulnerable and being different is beautiful.

The **TRUE BEAUTY** Talent will share their own experience of exposing one of their deepest insecurities on The Glee Project and the impact it had on their life and fans of the show around the world. The workshop will then ask each participant to be brave, acknowledging that being vulnerable is personal and difficult.

The workshop participants will identify a word or phrase about the one thing that makes them feel insecure and/or vulnerable. The participants will talk about the word they have chosen and the struggles it has brought to their life. As a group, with the **TRUE BEAUTY** Talent, the participants can walk across the campus wearing the signs with their word, created during the workshop.

The bold and powerful silent statement creates a campus that embraces differences and let's their peers know who share their vulnerabilities, that it's okay and they are not alone. At the **TRUE BEAUTY** event participants of the workshop will be asked to share their experience. The life-changing workshop will have participants finding their inner strength and owning their vulnerabilities--while inspiring others.

FLASH MOB



Flash Mobs have become a social media phenomenon and have inspired groups of people around the world to suddenly come together in a public place to perform showstopping entertainment. **FLASH MOB**, presented by Hope's Voice, is taking over college and university campuses!

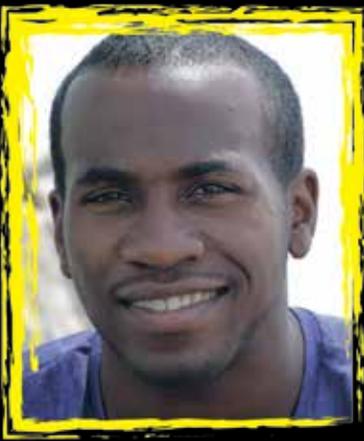
A world renown dancer and fan favorite from the hit show So You Think You Can Dance will head to the campus and become the professor and lead the dance workshop teaching the participants their steps for the **FLASH MOB**. The professor will choreograph the dance, teach the steps and have the students turning their two left feet into dancing legends.

Hope's Voice provides a production team who bring their talents and creativity to capture the flash mob, coordinated by the Sponsor, on video. The **FLASH MOB** video will be edited and provided to the Sponsor. Facebook and YouTube have become a hit with students and the **FLASH MOB** music video will be sure to become a viral hit on the internet, across the campus and is an amazing recruitment tool for schools.

FLASH MOB, fantastic for orientation and/or graduation, inspires young people no matter their differences to come together to create one common goal and to have a great time!



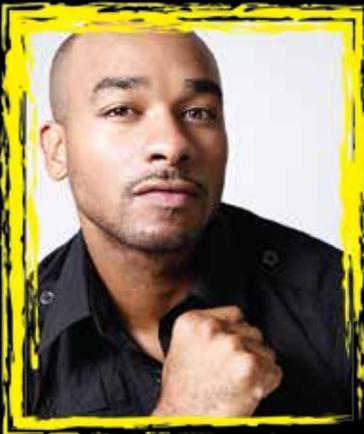
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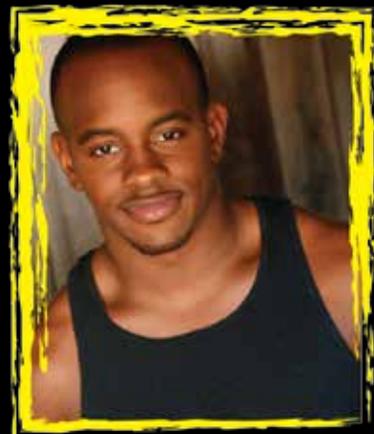
wadi jones



alex wong



anthony kurrell



brandon mitchell

fill the seats!

Hope's Voice provides each school with the GET CONNECTED handout and a glossy electronic promotional kit. The kit is a fantastic tool to promote the event and bring awareness to the campus and community.

what's the impact?

We know the impact of our events and want you to be able to show the difference Hope's Voice makes on your campus.

Hope's Voice provides each school with the GET FEEDBACK survey. The survey is distributed and completed by attendees at each event. The survey is a powerful tool to show the need for future programming.

hope's voice is giving back!

Hope's Voice recognizes that in order for students to understand issues that are real, relevant and often misunderstood we support the tireless efforts of the organizations that have committed to the issues our events are based on.

CHARITY OF CHOICE is an opportunity for your campus to not only educate and inspire students but for you to support those who are doing amazing work. Each Talent of Hope's Voice has chosen a charity that is important to them and who have been instrumental in finding their own voice of hope. For each event booked, Hope's Voice makes a donation to the charity of the Talent's choice. You can learn more about the charities by visiting www.hopesvoice.org

Hope's Voice is excited to bring the personal and powerful events to your campus!

We invite you to visit www.hopesvoice.org to meet our Talent, read their stories, watch their videos, learn about our workshops, promotions and book an event.

DIVAS OF DIVERSITY - \$3,000.00 + air + lodging per Talent.

DOES HIV LOOK LIKE ME? - \$3,000.00 + air + lodging per Talent.

FLASH MOB - \$6,200.00 + air + lodging per Talent
(includes production crew of two).

TRUE BEAUTY - \$3,000.00 + air + lodging per Talent.

We have experience working with a variety of budgets. If you are interested in booking multiple Talent and/or events, discounts will be applied on the price quote.

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