



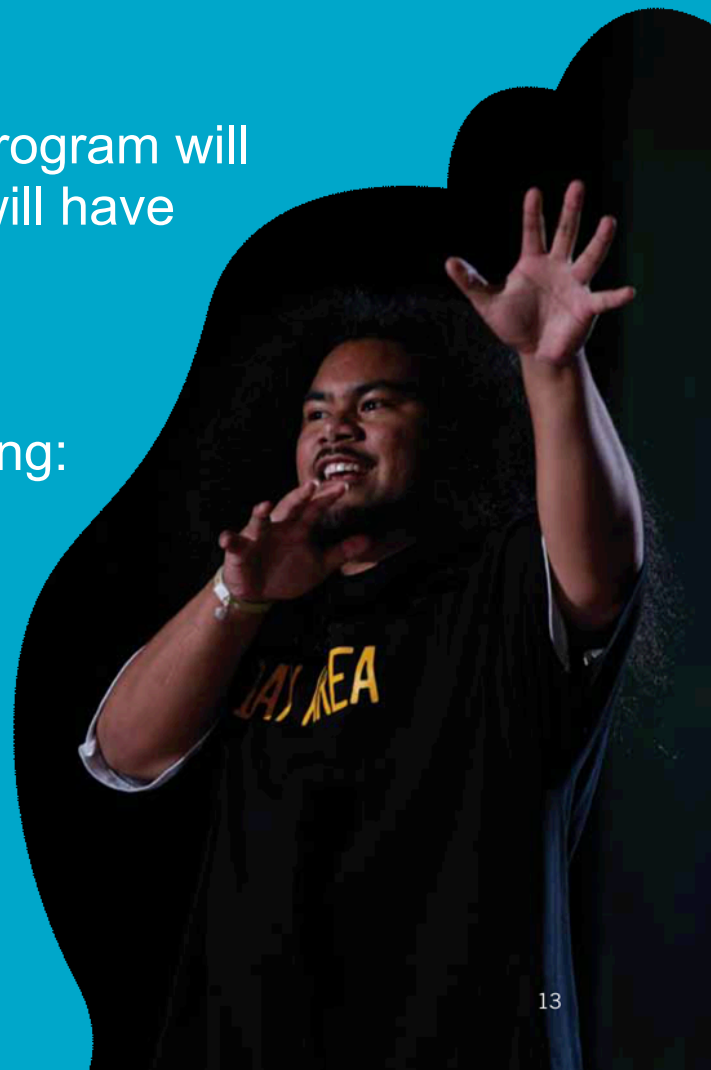
Audience reactions at Lincoln Theatre

# BNV FUTURE CORPS INFO / NOMINATION / APPLICATION

Participants in this new BNV Program will help facilitate the festival and will have all registration, entourage and housing fees waived.

Application includes the following:

- BNV Future Corps Nomination Form
- 500 Word Essay (Personal Statement)
- BNV Future Corps Application



# BNV 2010 Future Corps

The Brave New Voices Future Corps is a group of BNV alumni (19-24 years old) who attend the festival to serve as hosts, organizers, late night facilitators and culture keepers. The purpose of the Future Corps is to facilitate opportunity for alumni to continue to make a lasting contribution to the Brave New Voices community, while also learning valuable skills in producing and facilitating major events and the festival at large.

Future Corps members will be able to attend Brave New Voices free of charge, and will be required to sign a contract saying that in exchange for room, board and other festival-related expenses, participants will agree to serve the BNV Community in multiple capacities throughout the week.

## Requirements:

To be eligible to be a BNV Future Corps Member, you must be an alumni of the Brave New Voices Festival. Organizations are encouraged to nominate Future Corps participants, and applicants can also nominate themselves or their peers independently. Each applicant must fill out the application. No more than two representatives per organization can serve as Future Corps positions each year.

Future Corps applicants cannot be currently competing or coaching a participating team.

Applicants are required to write a maximum 500 word essay detailing why they want to attend Brave New Voices and what they wish to add to the experience, which will be reviewed by Members of the Youth Speaks and Brave New Voices staff.

Is this your first year at BNV? (circle one) If no, what was your first year?                      Y      N      \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If this will be your first time at Brave New Voices, please attach a 1-page description and history of the work you/your organization/school does with teenagers and spoken word.*

Future Corps participants will be directly supervised by a member of the Youth Speaks Staff, will be required to attend daily meetings, and will work during the Festival in roles that include but are not limited to:

MCing Slam Preliminaries	Late Night Activities	Workshop Evaluations
Judging During the Slam	Ushering at Major Events	Hosting Open Mics
Town Hall Facilitation	BNV Production Team	Conflict Management

# BNV Future Corps Application

## Application Deadline April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### Contact Information for Future Corps Applicant

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Future Corps Applicant Name & Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell): \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**As an applicant for the BNV Future Corps I \_\_\_\_\_ (name) under-stand the following expectations:**

1 – I agree to participate at BNV as a staff member and contribute to the facilitation of events and activities under the direction of Youth Speaks and Brave New Voices Staff.

2 – I agree to assist in maintaining Festival rules and procedures and to contribute positively to the culture of the Festival.

3 – I agree to make myself available to learn how to be a better organizer and activist for Brave New Voices in my local community.

4 – I agree to work with Youth Speaks Staff members and understand that my compensation for this work will be my inclusion in the Festival and Training as a Poet-Mentor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name Here**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Email**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

### **BNV Future Corps Application must include:**

- 250 – 500 Word Essay: (choose one)
  - Why do you want to be a member of future corps?
  - How has the experience of attending Brave New Voices impacted your life?
  - How has Spoken Word poetry helped to define your identity?
  
- BNV Future Corps Nomination Form

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This form is for **individuals, organizers or peers to nominate individual BNV Alum** to attend Brave New Voices 2010 as a member of Future Corps. This opportunity comes with responsibility to work the festival, be accessible to staff and youth and generally learn to serve as a facilitator of the experience rather than solely as a participant. Applicants and Nominees should be responsible, reliable, courteous and respectful. Each Applicant should also have an express interest in promoting the Youth Spoken Word Movement, becoming a better Poet Mentor and Teaching Artist, Arts Activist and Educator. Future Corps is intended to be a rigorous, hands on introduction to Festival and Event Production. Future Corps will also be depended on to carry the culture of Brave New Voices, and help facilitate the key events that help create and strengthen that culture including workshops, opening ceremony, town hall meeting, and late night activities.

Nominees Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominators Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell): \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

This limited opportunity will be available for up to 10 individuals this year. We anticipate competition for these limited spots to be fierce so be sure to nominate strong candidates for this exclusive program. It is our hope and intention that the skills these youth learn and the experience they have will translate directly into a greater contribution on their part to your local programming in the future.

**Deadline for Nomination: April 15<sup>th</sup>**