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Comedy Central invites YEP youth to behind-the-scenes tour with entertainment industry pros during taping of new season of Comedy Central Stand-up Presents at Civic Theater

New Orleans, LA – On Saturday, December 9, 2017, a group of approximately 15 young people and staff connected to the Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) will receive a private, behind-the-scenes tour of the Comedy Central Stand-Up Presents series that will be taped inside the Civic Theater. Comedy Central executives specializing in stand-up and scripted development along with other production team members will educate YEP youth participants and staff about the entertainment industry.

WHAT: Comedy Central to give YEP youth behind-the-scenes tour of official taping

WHEN: Saturday, December 9, 2017.

WHERE: Civic Theater, 510 O’Keefe Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70113

WHEN: 3 – 4 pm

Part of YEP's programming is to encourage young people to learn about a variety of professional opportunities available to them and the organization appreciates Comedy Central's willingness to include young people in New Orleans in their local productions.

"To see everything that goes into producing one of these shows, and meeting the people that work in the entertainment industry is such a valuable experience for our young people. We all get to see the people on television and in movies, but YEP believes that having access to these types of experiences will help our youth participants realize how many more opportunities are out there for them if they are passionate about working in media or entertainment," said YEP Director of Programs Darrin McCall.

ABOUT YEP: Founded in 2004, the Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) in a community-based nonprofit organization that engages underserved young people through community-based education, mentoring, employment readiness and enrichment programming. In 2017, YEP served 1252 young people through a total of 11 programs at six sites. To learn more about YEP visit: www.youthempowermentproject.org or follow us: @YEPNOLA

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