FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Kathleen Adams hiphopkitchen@gmail.com 216.849.7458

MOMMA'S HIP HOP KITCHEN VOL. II JOINS FORCES WITH CASA ATABEX ACHE FOR A WOMEN OF COLOR RESPONSE TO FAITH, FEMINISM, AND HIP HOP

A MUSIC, DANCE, SPOKEN WORD, AND VISUAL ARTS EVENT CHANGING THE WAY THE WORLD VIEWS WOMEN OF COLOR AND HIP HOP

New York (February 28th, 2009)—Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen (MHHK) announced today its second annual women of color in hip hop concert sponsored by the Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture. MHHK serves as a community organizing event that uses hip hop as an outlet for justice and the empowerment of women while educating the audience on social justice, HIV/AIDS, and other important issues.

The second annual Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen Vol. II: Faith, Feminism, and Hip Hop will take place on Saturday March 7th, 2009 from 2-5pm at the Hostos Community College Main Theater, 450 Grand Concourse (at 149th St.) in the Bronx. The event is FREE and open to all ages.

The event is created for the community, by the community and features established and up and coming hip hop artists. The event will feature:

- Lah Tere of Rebel Diaz
- La Bruja
- Patty Dukes
- Rokafella aka La Roka
- Queen GodIs
- Misnomer(s)
- Bless Roxwell
- Charlotte Mishell
- LMNOP
- YaliniDream
- Yolanda Shoshana
- DJ SoYo
- DJ Jasmine Solano
- M-Squared
- Demostina
- GNU (Likwuid, Kween Kash, AtLas')

- Kayan A. James
- Jennifer Cendaña Armas
- Denice Frohman aka Ms. Misconception
- United Steppaz
- 3XLADYCREW
- Big Nay the Ice Queen
- JoiLynn Productions
- Ciara
- Desire Lii
- Ne Ne Ali
- Nova
- BombaYo "Afro-Puerto Rican Youth Project"
- Las Dinosauras
- Sipainaru
- NY Bomberas

-more-

Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen Concert/2

The public is invited to attend and enjoy performances by female DJ's, Emcees, B-girls, poets, and artists (live art). This event was inspired by women and focuses on the intersections of hip hop, reproductive justice, and AIDS in communities of color. This year the theme focuses on faith and feminism.

For additional information regarding Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen please contact Kathleen Adams at <u>hiphopkitchen@gmail.com</u>. To learn more about Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen please visit <u>www.myspace.com/hiphopkitchen</u>.

Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen Vol. II, Faith, Feminism, and Hip Hop Collaborators:

Casa Atabex Ache, Advocates for Youth, Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture, Rebel Diaz Arts Collective, Vamos a la Pena del Bronx, and Trabajadoras por la Paz.

About Momma's Hip Hop Kitchen:

MHHK came to fruition through Kathleen Adams from Advocates for Youth and Lah Tere of Rebel Diaz to bring women of color activists together for an interactive community event. They were irritated with hip hop because it has dramatically changed in its 30-year evolution. Once a voice of the oppressed, commercialism and corporate America now make a mockery of the struggle of communities of color. These abusers use hip hop as a tool for violence, degradation of communities of color, and commit rampant violations against the feminine psyche and spirit. MHHK believes women of color are in a state of emergency. Where the face of women in hip hop was a powerful emcee promoting self-respect and esteem, the public is now bombarded with provocative, lustful images and it is our responsibility to take this issue by force and re-establish what it means to be a woman in the culture of hip hop.

###