





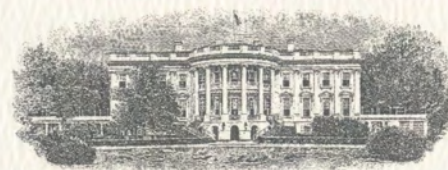
THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH

welcome you to

THE WHITE HOUSE

in celebration of

BLACK MUSIC MONTH



Friday, June 22, 2007

RACHEL SMITH

The 2002 Miss Tennessee Teen USA realized a lifelong dream in March 2007 when she was named Miss USA. Rachel graduated with honors from Belmont University in 2006. During college, she served as managing editor of the campus newspaper and radio station, and interned at Nashville's CBS affiliate and Oprah Winfrey's company Harpo Productions. Committed to volunteerism, Rachel advocates for several causes in her official capacity as Miss USA, including breast and ovarian cancer.

KARINA PASIAN

Karina Pasian has always loved music and dance. She began performing for schools and other public institutions at the age of five, and by age eight, she was participating in inauguration ceremonies for state and federal officials. She has performed with many renowned artists, including Alicia Keys, Stevie Wonder and Prince, and was featured in Quincy Jones' "We Are The Future," a concert in Rome to support children of war torn countries.

KEM

KEM was born in Nashville and raised in Detroit. His love of music began when he was a child and saw him through the darkest moments of his life. After high school, KEM spent several years in drug rehabilitation and homeless shelters. Sober since 1989, he credits his faith in God and his love of music with helping him persevere. Through his music KEM delivers the message that with faith people can achieve what they want.

NUTTIN' BUT STRINGZ

Teenage brothers, Tourie and Damien Escobar, have played the violin for over 12 years. Reared in Queens, they left school for a time and lost their musical focus. Back on track and in school, they both attended Julliard. Combining the classical sound of the violin with pop, R&B and hip-hop, they won the 2005 Apollo Theatre amateur talent contest. Now they perform on television and at public schools, where they talk to children about music and staying in school.



PROGRAM

Introductions

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