Comedian Benji Brown to host talent show at PBCC

Students will vie for three scholarships

(Lake Worth, Fla. - Feb. 3, 2005) Comedian Benji Brown, who is heating up the national comedy scene with his candid and comedic performances, will host the 5th Annual Comedy and Talent Explosion at Palm Beach Community College.

The event, sponsored by PBCC’s chapter of the National Council on Black American Affairs in honor of Black History Month, will be held at 8 p.m., Feb. 25 at the Duncan Theatre, 4200 Congress Ave. Tickets are $8 in advance and $10 the night of the show.

In the talent contest, PBCC students and area high school seniors will compete for three PBCC scholarships: $600 for first place; $500 for second place and $400 for third place. The final contestants were chosen after a series of auditions held last month.

Brown, who grew up in South Florida, began doing comedy in 1994 in Miami's Studio 183. He has appeared on HBO, Comedy Central and Black Entertainment Television, and he has performed at Uptown Comedy Club in Atlanta, Sugar Shack in New York, among many other venues. He has a regular spot on the morning show on WEDR-FM 99 Jamz. His comedy DVD “In Touch With Reality” is set for release this year.

The National Council on Black American Affairs was founded in 1972 as an affiliate of the American Association of Community Colleges. It works to maximize personal and career opportunities for African-American students, faculty, staff and administrators. Through a variety of intellectual, cultural and social activities, the Council provides a platform for personal growth, professional development and scholarship. The PBCC chapter of NCBAA was established in 1997.

For ticket information, call (561) 868-3127.

Editor’s note: A photograph of Benji Brown is available as a JPEG.

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