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Comedian Marvin Dixon to emcee talent contest at Palm Beach State College

(Lake Worth, Fla. – Feb. 16, 2010) Palm Beach State College and area high school students will show off their musical, dance, and poetic talents and compete for one of the top spots in the 10th Annual Comedy and Talent Explosion.

The talent competition will be held at 8 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Duncan Theatre on the Lake Worth campus. Nationally known comedian Marvin Dixon will perform and serve as emcee of the show, which is sponsored by the Palm Beach State chapter of the National Council on Black American Affairs. Dixon is a former Miami radio personality who has appeared on HBO's "Def Comedy Jam," Black Entertainment Television's "Comic View" and the "Tom Joyner Morning Show." He also regularly appears at the Improv comedy club in West Palm Beach. This will be his eighth year hosting the Comedy and Talent Explosion.



The students will compete for scholarships to Palm Beach State, including \$600 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$400 for third place. Last year's first-place winner, brother and sister duo William and Faith Proper, will return to open this year's show with a musical performance.

Tickets are \$10 and available at the Duncan Theatre Box Office on the Lake Worth campus and Palm Beach State locations in Boca Raton, Belle Glade and Palm Beach Gardens. For more ticket information, call (561) 868-3127.

NCBAA 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 scholarships. The Palm Beach State chapter of NCBAA was established in 1997.

Serving more than 50,000 students annually, Palm Beach State College is the largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, providing the bachelor's degree, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. Established in 1933 as Florida's first public community college, it offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

Editor's note: Contact the College Relations and Marketing office for a high resolution photo of Marvin Dixon is attached.

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