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GARCETTI LAUNCHES HOLLYWOOD HOT SPOT

*Free summer program for Hollywood-area high school students
kicks-off with summer barbecue*

HOLLYWOOD -- Los Angeles City Council President Eric Garcetti launched Hollywood Hot Spot, a free eight-week summer program for Hollywood-area high school students that will take place at Helen Bernstein High School.

"We want to make sure that Hollywood teens have a safe, supervised, and fun place to be this summer, and Hollywood Hot Spot will have a lot to offer anyone who wants to participate," said Council President Garcetti. "From music to art to sports, there will be something for everyone at the Hollywood Hot Spot. And the air conditioning alone might make the Hot Spot one of the coolest places to be this summer!"

Starting today, Hollywood Hot Spot will provide participants with the opportunity to learn to play instruments and form a rock band through Sound Art, create urban art with Creative Art Solutions, run with Nike's Breakfast Club, screen movies with Generation Obama, and more.

"The vision behind a program like Hollywood Hot Spot is what speaks to our generation -- young professionals who not only want to remain engaged at a local, civic manner, but can do so in a fun and inspiring way," said Haroon "Boon" Saleem, co-founder and co-chair of Generation Obama/Los Angeles.

"From DJing to film to yoga, it's going to be great to work with high school kids and introduce them to some fun, interesting and artistic," said Marshall Wright, co-chair of Generation Obama/Los Angeles.

Hollywood Hot Spot kicked-off with a free community barbecue that included music provided by DJ Roueche for VALA Entertainment and an L.A. King's-sponsored puck shooting game as well as prize give-aways.

Hollywood Hot Spot programs are offered Wednesday through Sunday with varying hours depending on the day and activity. For more information about the schedule, please call 323-957-4500.

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