

Long Island Girl Talk Showcases First Episode of Teen Talk Show

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NASSAU-SUFFOLK, NY, 24-7PressRelease/ -- September 17, 2013 - Be Real, the first episode of Long Island Girl Talk, will premiere on Saturday, September 21, at Love Jones Cafe in Baldwin, NY, from 12 pm to 3 pm, as part of the first fundraising event for the Long Island Girl Talk (LIGT) program. Be Real includes an anti-girl-on-girl bullying music video written and produced by the program participants, teen girls ranging in age from 6 to 16 from the Uniondale School District.

Prior to showing of Be Real, Westbury resident, educator and author of Creating Smart Schools, Dr. Judith Kronin will speak on The Importance of Creating Smart Schools. Next, attendees will participate in a power networking session followed by the showcase featuring the episode and formal introduction of its teen creators. The event is open to the public. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children, available in advance and at the door.

Over ten girls gathered for LIGT's Cycle One on Saturday mornings at the John J. Byrne Community Center in Uniondale to learn how to produce, research, write, film, edit, direct, cast and star in their television show about women's issues in their communities. The girls developed individual commentaries and a panel to inform the public about girl-on-girl bullying. They created a music video segment under the guidance of renowned hip hop producer, Johnny Juice Rosado, and independent filmmaker Marc Lyons. Future episodes will address equal pay for women, teen body image, and teen self-esteem.

LIGT is sponsored by the Women's Fund of Long Island (WFLI), Energetic Enterprise Youth Community Studio, and the John J. Byrne Community Center. Anyone interested in getting involved as a participant in Cycle Two as a sponsor or volunteer should visit <http://www.byrnecenter.com/Long-Island-Girl-Talk>. In addition, the general public may also support the organization through the RUSHCARD-Russell Simmons-Sponsored, Charity campaign at <http://www.byrnecenter.com/RiseToThrive-Challenge>.

The Women's Fund of Long Island invests in the power of women and the dreams of girls. Our vision is a world of justice and opportunity for women and girls, where we serve as the primary decision makers about issues that affect us, have equal voices in the political process, are paid equitably for work, and live in homes and communities without fear of violence.

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John J. Byrne Community Center, located in Uniondale, near the Nassau Hub is dedicated to enhancing the lives of all those who live in the Uniondale Union Free School District of Long Island, New York and its neighbors.

Our cause - to build and provide access to a community center in the area, is rooted in our philosophy that childhood should be a time of fun, warmth, security, exploring and discovery. With an intergenerational, multicultural, multiservice community center we provide a healthy mix of recreational and social activities focused on the needs of children and families.