Last Night In NYC...MTV's Sway, Talib Kweli, DJ Cassidy, Estelle And A Who's Who Of The NYC Art Scent Came Out In Support Of Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation's Gold Rush Awards

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Alternative Hip-Hop group, AntiPop Consortium kicked off the night's live music, mixing it up on stage with their innovative sound experience. Talib Kweli closed out the evening with a dynamic performance and introduced surprise guests, fellow recording artists Res and Graph who, with Kweli, form the group Idle Warship. DJ Cassidy kept the crowd grooving all night, only taking a break so he could record Kweli's performance for his blog with his personal handheld camera. All performances were donated in support of the organization. The evening also included video installations, a special silent art and luxury auction and performance art by The Golden Girls. The evening's cocktails were donated by Americana Vodka and Red Bull.

Rush Arts Gallery Director Derrick Adams, MTV'S Sway and Artist/Co-Founder of Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation's Danny Simmons

For additional information about Rush Arts Gallery and Corridor Gallery please visit <u>corridorgallerybrooklyn.org</u> or <u>rushartsgallery.org</u>.

ABOUT RUSH ARTS GALLERY & RESOURCE CENTER:

Rush Arts Gallery (Chelsea, NY) and Corridor Gallery (Clinton Hill, Brooklyn) founded 1996 are core programs within the Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation (non-profit) dedicated to providing urban youth with significant exposure and access to the arts, as well as providing exhibition opportunities to artists. All exhibition programs are headed by Derrick Adams, Curatorial Director, with inclusion of curatorial projects presented by Nico Wheadon, Associate Curator, Danny Simmons, Founder and President, Meridith McNeal, Director of Education, Nina Ziefvert, Manager of Exhibition Programs and invited Guest Curators. The exhibitions and education programs of the galleries are also sponsored in part by a grant from the New York State Council for the Arts and are free and open to the public.