

Dessa Of Doomtree Launches Lipstick For Charity With The Elixery



Minneapolis, MN (July 11, 2012) Hip-hop star Dessa of the Doomtree collective has collaborated with The Elixery to develop a lipstick for release in September 2012. The limited-edition lip color, expertly colored by master makeup artist Crist Ballas, was selected by the star as her ideal shade. Dessa will be donating her proceeds from the sale of the lipstick to educate and empower women in developing countries.

Dessa couldn't be more pleased with the color itself, but the philosopher also keeps in mind her strong commitment to ethics and social justice.

"In college, I wrote my final thesis on the philosophy of Martha Nussbaum," said Dessa. "Studying her theories I learned about the surprising consequences of educating girls, consequences which compound and refract through entire societies. Educating women often changes marital age and birthrates, and employed women demonstrate different spending patterns than employed men. Ten years after having studied the philosophy of this stuff, I couldn't be more excited to actually make a real-world contribution. I'm extraordinarily proud to be supporting CARE's programs to educate girls around the world."

Launch Party

The “Dessa” lipstick will launch on September 15th at Icehouse in Minneapolis, MN. 89.3 The Current’s Barb Abney will keep the party going throughout the evening, along with musical guests Aby Wolf and Ashley Gold backed by Dessa’s live ensemble: Dustin Kiel, Sean McPherson, and Joey Van Phillips. Prizes, giveaways, and other entertainment throughout the evening. Launch party begins 8pm, \$5 cover. Limited VIP tickets available for a pre-party meet and greet with Dessa. VIP ticket includes drinks, hors d’oeuvres, and full tube of the Dessa shade. (7-8 pm, \$35) Icehouse, 2528 Nicollet Ave S. Details and tickets at www.elixery.com/dessa. 21+. Preorders for the lipstick will start on August 21st at doomtree.net and elixery.com.

Mos Def & Lenny Kravitz-It Ain't My Fault

Mos Def and Lenny Kravitz along with The Preservation Hall Band, Tim Robbins and Trombone Shorty have recorded the song “It Ain’t My Fault” for the [Gulf Aid](#), a non-profit created to help with the oil spill. The benefit concert that Mos performed the song at Saturday night will air on Fuse.tv this weekend.

We Are The World For Haiti

I like the way they put Michael's part in the video. A great idea but it does not stand up to the original.

HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative: Join Washington, DC's Young Professionals Raise Funds for Haiti's Disaster Relief

(Washington, D.C. – February 02, 2010) HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative comes to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 4, 2010. Washington, D.C.'s young professionals are gearing up to host HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative, a multi-city benefit to raise money and supplies for Haiti through a celebration of the country's unique cultural contributions. The HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative is a multi-city collaboration between a New York-based leadership committee and local professionals throughout the United States who want to provide immediate support to Haitians who have been affected by the January 12 earthquake.

Their first event was held on January 20 in New York City, followed by an event on January 27 in Chicago. HEARTS4HAITI

Global Initiative has proven to be a huge success and has raised nearly \$27,000 for disaster relief. The events have been well attended by politicians, including New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, Representative David E. Miller (IL) and Senator Kwame Raoul (IL), community partners and national celebrities including Miss USA 2009 Kristen Dalton and Kwame Jackson. Now it's time for Washington, DC's young professionals to stand together and show support.

HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative, Washington, DC will take place this Thursday, February 4 at Ozio's Restaurant and Lounge; 1813 M Street NW from 6pm to 2am. The DC event is a strategic partnership with: UNICEF and Haitian Women for Haitian Refugees. 100% of monetary proceeds generated thru HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative will be donated evenly to these agencies with a designation for their Haiti earthquake relief efforts. Music will be provided by renowned DJs Cuzzin' B, Harry Hotter, Scientific, Supa Scotty, Jon Quick, and Top Choice. DJs Jean Michel, YVECO, and Chick will spin a special Haitian music set featuring the sounds of Konpa and Zouk.

"By attending the event, participants will become the truest embodiment of the motto inscribed on the Haitian flag: strength through unity," said event founder Gardy V. Guerrier.

"The HEARTS4HAITI Global Initiative is an amazing concept with boundless potential. It's about the collective cooperation of young professionals, as citizens of the world, taking action to restore a hopeful and bright future for Haiti. The support we've witnessed has been extremely humbling and gratifying," adds event host Marc F. McKayle.

Donation Required for Entry: Donation Levels \$30, \$50, \$75, & \$100 Additional amounts are welcomed.