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THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
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July 22, 1995

Dear Friends:

It gives me great pleasure to send my greetings to those attending the 25th Anniversary of Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International Scholarship Competition, which is held in conjunction with the National Coalition of 100 Black Women. This is a special occasion during which young women join together to participate in educational and recreational activities.

I commend the young women participating in this event for their talents and contributions to the community. In addition, I commend the Apollo Theatre for hosting this event. I extend my sincere gratitude to the National Coalition of 100 Black Women for their efforts in providing important educational programs and opportunities for our young scholars. It is always gratifying to unite with those groups devoted to helping others. By working together, we are improving the quality of life in New York City.

Best wishes for an enjoyable anniversary celebration and for continued success in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rudolph W. Giuliani".

Rudolph W. Giuliani  
Mayor



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to congratulate Hal Jackson and the contestants for their participation in the 25th Anniversary of Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International Scholarship Competition.

Since its founding in 1970, this contest has offered exciting and enriching educational and entertainment outlets and opportunities to hundreds of talented and creative young women of color. The discipline, sacrifices and commitment this contest requires are more than offset by the rewards it brings in

increased maturity and self-confidence.

May all of you, especially those visiting New York City from other states and nations, enjoy a splendid and entertaining evening.

Sincerely,

Ruth W. Messinger



CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE  
PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF QUEENS

Greetings and best wishes to you and all the friends and supporters of Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International Scholarship Competition.

The 25th Anniversary celebration of this annual salute to outstanding young women of color promises to be an exciting and momentous event in the history of the world famous Apollo Theatre.

Thanks to you, hundreds of young women from all over the world have had doors of opportunity open to them for a quarter century.

As you celebrate this milestone and look forward to another 25 years, my hope is that this year's event will be a huge success. Again, congratulations and best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

CLAIRE SHULMAN  
President  
Borough of Queens



Dear Friends:

It is an honor and a pleasure to greet you on the 25th Anniversary of Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International (HJTII) Competition. Hal Jackson is surely a broadcaster extraordinaire, whose accomplishments have made him the first Black

American to do it all in the communications industry. There is no question in my mind why Hal Jackson, the first New York City radio personality to broadcast three daily shows on three different stations, and much more, is known as the dean of Black Radio.



OFFICE OF THE BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Hal Jackson's breakthroughs in the radio and television industries have been a motivational force for so many aspiring Black broadcasters, musicians and performers. While cultivating the gifts of young women of color ages 13 through 17, Hal Jackson's talent competition has for the 25 years celebrated the intelligence, creativity and talents of women around the world, as they compete for educational scholarships, trips abroad and the opportunity to meet new people.

On behalf of the residents of The Bronx, I extend my warmest wishes on the 25th Anniversary of the Talented Teens International (HJTII) Competition). Congratulations, and may the world continue to applaud the talents of women for another 25 year's.

Sincerely,

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FERNANDO FERRER



PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

CITY OF NEW YORK

On behalf of all Brooklynites, I salute and congratulate all those involved with Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International on the organization's 25th anniversary celebration, to be held at the legendary Apollo Theatre on Saturday, July 22, 1995.

The HJTII has enriched the lives of many young minority women by providing scholarships, career encouragement and opportunities to showcase talent. In recognition of HJTII's quarter century of admirable work, I understand that the Apollo Theatre event will initiate a week of educational and cultural activities throughout New York City for fifty young women from around the world.

It is only fitting that we recognize Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International and all the young women who have benefitted from its worthy endeavors.

Again, congratulations to all on this proud occasion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Howard Golden".

Howard Golden



**Congratulations to the  
25th Annual  
Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International  
scholarship competition  
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FUTURE CLASSICS**



25th Anniversary — Wow!!!

What a wonderful feeling. I had no idea when we started Hal Jackson's Miss Black Teenage America — Miss U.S. Talented Teen Pageant & Revue — Miss Talented Teens International, that we would have been able to assist so many young ladies in developing their chosen fields of endeavor.

When we look back now at the number of ladies that have blossomed out nationally and internationally, and see those who have reached higher grounds than they had ever dreamed of, it makes us so very proud. Of course, none of this could have been done without the support of our loyal Talented Teens Directors, Corporate Sponsors and fabulous staff of volunteers. We are grateful to the public for supporting us nationally and internationally on every level over the years.

To this year's magnificent contestants from all over the world, we wish you the best and will continue to support you long after this week is over. We will do everything to make this the most unforgettable experience you have ever known.

We love you.

Hal Jackson





On Behalf of Inner City Broadcasting Corporation, I am especially pleased to have this opportunity to congratulate our Vice Chairman, Mr. Hal Jackson, as he celebrates the 25th year of the Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International Competition. Through Mr. Hal Jackson's efforts, many talented young ladies have a chance in which to display their many talents to the world while they experience new places, new people, and opportunities that will broaden their outlook for a lifetime.

I wish the best to each of the contestants, for everyone is a winner in Talented Teens. Hal Jackson is to be commended for his continued dedication to this annual event, and we, as a community, are very lucky that Hal has always used his success as a bridge to reach back to our community so that others might come across.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pierre M. Sutton', written over a horizontal line.

Pierre M. Sutton  
Chairman & CEO

Inner City Broadcasting Corporation





Dear Hal,

Congratulations on the 25th Anniversary of the Talented Teens International Pageant! You are to be commended for the support and encouragement you have offered to young Black women over the years.

We are proud to have Motown recording artist Jason Weaver host this year's pageant and Biv Ten recording artist Subway performing. We wish you continued success and look forward to a spectacular show.

Jheryl Busby  
CEO & President  
Motown Records





As Co-Chairman of the 25th annual Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International scholarship competition, I am delighted to welcome you to New York City, host of this year's Silver Anniversary Activities.

Congratulations to all the contestants who have competed all over the world for the opportunity to showcase their talent at Harlem's historic Apollo theater. I remember attending many wonderful concerts there myself as a teenager, sharing many of the same dreams that you are now realizing. To think that you will actually be performing on the very stage that has launched so many legendary careers is a testament to the philosophy of empowerment fostered by the Talented Teens Program.



Your commitment to achieving your goals has brought you this far, and I'm sure the educational experience garnered at this week's festivities will last you long after the applause is gone. You know better than anyone that the positive values you display here will help serve you when choosing the kind of person you want to be tomorrow. Your presence in such a prestigious competition honors our community, our nation, and youth everywhere, insuring that hard work and dedication are the surest touchstones for a bright and productive future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sylvia".

Sylvia Rhone  
Chairman/CEO  
Elektra Entertainment Group



**MICHAEL JACKSON  
MJJ PRODUCTIONS  
& EPIC RECORDS**

**Proudly honor  
Hal and Debi Jackson  
on the 25th Anniversary  
of  
Hal Jackson's Talented Teen International Pageant**

*Much Respect to  
Hal and Debi Jackson for  
a job well done.*

**Sincerely,  
Michael Jackson  
Bob Jones, VP MJJ Productions  
Lamont Boles  
& the Epic Black Music Division**

**MJJ History Past, Present and  
Future Book I  
in stores now!!!!**



# Vanessa Williams



Vanessa

began as a Talented Teen.

All it takes is a little vision,

a lot of talent,

and a whole lot of

determination.



H I S T O R Y   O F   T H E   T A L E N T E D   T E E N S

- 1971** The first contest was held under the title "Miss Black Teenage America", on July 28 in Atlanta, Georgia and was taped for television syndication. The winner was Miss Texas, June Kelly.
- 1972** The site changed to New York City and the location of the contest was Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum. Miss Texas won again, this time her name was Cynthia Lewis.
- 1973** The title changed to "Miss U.S. Talented Teen Pageant & Revue" and Miss Edna Hill from Maryland was the winner. Dr. Hill is currently the 1st Black plastic surgeon in the state of Maryland.
- 1974** Talent, intellect, determination and the ability to perform under pressure, all qualities that characterize Miss Missouri, Denise DuMaine who won the crown at Town Hall in New York City.
- 1975** Miss Georgia won the crown in New York City at Town Hall. Renee Crutcher tours and sings with Harry Belafonte.
- 1976** Due to requests to extend its benefits to teens in other countries, the title was changed to "Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International. The 1st international finals took place in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, the winner was Miss N. Y., Karen McClellan.
- 1977** TTI offers an educational experience and a unique opportunity for thousands of teenagers 13 to 16 years who have a performing talent. Melody Smith from New Jersey was the winner at the Longhorn Theatre in Hollywood, California.
- 1978** Each year thousands of young ladies walk through the doors of TTI sponsors around the world. The winner's door opened for Miss Connecticut, Sheryl Piland and she was crowned by Michael Jackson at the Coconut Grove in Los Angeles.
- 1979** TTI helps to raise the academic achievements of young ladies by providing scholarships to assist in education. This year's scholarship recipient was Angela Pollack. Angela resided in New Jersey and was crowned at the Coconut Grove in Los Angeles.
- 1980** TTI assists young women by helping them express themselves with imagination and intelligence. Annette Jones expressed herself well and is currently a member of "101 North" signed with Capitol Records. Miss California won in L. A.
- 1981** Returning from California to in share the 50th Anniversary of the Waldorf Astoria, TTI enters its second decade from the worlds' premier city, New York. Miss Kimberly Brooks from Baltimore, Maryland won the crown.
- 1982** TTI gives ladies the opportunity of displaying their talents before a large audience, on a prestigious stage such as the John F. Kennedy Center For the Performing Arts in Washington D.C. where Kristel Henderson, Miss U.S. Virgin Islands took the title.
- 1983** TTI assists in building self-esteem, self-confidence, self-discipline and positive values. Miss New York, Delise Jones possesses all of these qualities and is currently teaching in the New York school system. Miss Jones displayed her talents in California.
- 1984** The contest was held in Montego Bay, Jamaica on an extraordinary summer evening under the stars. The winner resided in New Jersey...her name Michelle Thomas.
- 1985** Contests are conducted by civic minded organizations and individuals. This year's winner is a ballet dancer who is currently dancing with the Dance Theatre of Harlem. Tai Jimenez "wowed" the judges at the Coconut Grove in Los Angeles.
- 1986** Prizes for the winners include scholarships, exposure to the music and film industries, and travel abroad which enhances cultural awareness. Oween Davis, an accomplished violinist took the crown on stage at the Apollo in New York City.
- 1987** Cool breezes blew through the hair of the TTI contestants when they visited St. Croix, St. John and performed live in St. Thomas. The winning contestant was Tammy Townsend who hails from Carson, California.
- 1988** The age of entering contestants was raised to 17. The TTI contest was held at the Arie Crown Theatre and Kiya Dawn Winston a gymnast from New Jersey stole the judges' hearts.
- 1989** TTI was designed as an outlet for untapped talent as well as training in staging, choreography, poise, grace, and diction. Tamica Ellis, a young lady from Wisconsin possessed all of those qualities and won on the Apollo stage in Harlem, U.S.A.
- 1990** For 20 years Mr. Jackson has taken on the tremendous task of providing a launching pad for hundreds of thousands of young ladies into the entertainment field. The Wiltern Theatre in Los Angeles was the stage, the winner ReNisha Raymond from Detroit.
- 1991** The third decade of TTI was started with a triumphant return to the Apollo Theatre. Boyz II Men were on hand to help crown Myisha Richmond, 15 from Lawndale, Ca.
- 1992** Zakiya Munnerlyn, a 15 year old singer from Hillside, N.J. won the judges approval at the world famous Apollo Theatre in New York City.
- 1993** Rosa Sanchez, a 16 year old gymnast from St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands won the crown in St. Thomas, U.S.V.I. at the Reichhold Center for Performing Arts.
- 1994** Amanda Stanley, a 17 year old tap dancer from St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands won the Judges hears and the crown in Washington, D.C. at the historic Lincoln Theater.
- 1995 ?**



**HAL JACKSON**  
then...



**AND NOW!**



## WHO IS HAL JACKSON?



Mr. Jackson is a popular radio and television personality and one of the most respected men in the communications industry. As a radio pioneer, Jackson has experienced many "firsts" that have assisted in opening doors for other aspiring Black broadcasters, musicians and performers.

What has Hal Jackson accomplished in his 55+ years in the communications industry? He was the *first* Black radio announcer in network radio; the *first* Black host of a jazz show on the ABC network; the *first* Black play by play sports announcer on radio in the country; the *first* Black to host an interracial network television show on NBC-TV; the *first* person to broadcast from a theatre live; organized and owned the *first* Black team to win the World's Basketball championship; the *first* Black host of an international network television presentation; was instrumental in acquiring the *first* radio station owned and operated by Blacks in New York City; the *first* to broadcast live from New York into Japan; the *first* New York City radio personality to broadcast three daily shows on three different stations in the same day; the *first* to broadcast live via satellite from Jamaica into New York and currently hosts a radio program which has been rated #1 by Arbitron continuously in its time slot for over 9 years on WBLS in New York.

Jackson has for over 23 years been Executive Producer and Host of his Talented Teens International competition which highlights the intelligence, creativity and talents of young minority women 13-17 year of age. The ladies are given the opportunity of displaying their talents and competing for educational scholarships, trips abroad and the opportunity of networking with young women from around the world who are their peers.

The list of Hal's honors and awards is long. Among them are being honored by President Franklin D. Roosevelt for his fund raising efforts; President Harry S. Truman, President Dwight D. Eisenhower and President John F. Kennedy, Jr. In 1989 Hal Jackson's 50 years of broadcasting and his major contributions to youth and charitable causes was acknowledged by Honorable Mervyn M. Dymally of California on the floor of the House of Representatives which has become a part of the Congressional Record. But one honor that he truly cherishes is in the Spring of 1990, Hal was honored with being the *first* Black (or minority) inducted into the National Association of Broadcasters.

This gentle and charitable man has lived a life devoted to sharing his gifts with his fellow man and woman and has always found time to help those less fortunate. Perhaps his career and lifestyle can be summarized by the theme he has chosen for his radio programs — "It is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice."

# Hal's Friends Include



Barry White stopped by WBLS and had to see Hal



Hal & Debi met Gerald Albright at the Jackie Robinson Foundation Afternoon of Jazz



Al Sharpton, Hal, Jesse Jackson & Pierre Sutton discuss African Affairs in Senegal



Hal interviewed Berry Gordy about his book "To Be Loved"



Hal with Darryl Tookes, Debi and Vaughn Harper



Gladys Knight and Les Brown visit Hal at WBLS



Hal & Debi joined Stevie Wonder  
at the listening party for  
"Conversation Peace"



Hal and Dick  
Gregory at African  
- African American  
Summit in Senegal



Hal speaks with gui-  
tarist Stanley Jordan



Hal ran into Luther Vandross  
at B. Smith's Restaurant



Isaac Hayes visited WBLS

Congratulations to the  
25th Annual  
Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International  
scholarship competition



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# COMPETITION PRIZES

## TROPHIES

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Winner's Trophy Donated By Howard & Ronald Karmitz

## EDUCATIONAL CASH SCHOLARSHIPS

1995 HJTII Winner \$2,500

The 1st Runner-Up Also Receives A Scholarship for \$1,500

The 2nd Runner-Up Receives A Scholarship for \$1,000

The 3rd Runner-Up Receives a Scholarship for \$600

The 4th Runner-Up Receives a Scholarship for \$350

## FUR JACKET

Courtesy of Harry Kirschner Furs of New York City

## A DIAMOND RING

Which will bring a sparkle to her eyes!

## TRIP TO ST. CROIX, U. S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

To Attend the 25th Anniversary of  
The U.S. Virgin Islands TTI Competition  
Courtesy of Claire Roker, Talented Unlimited, Inc.

## TRIP TO CAIRO, EGYPT

Courtesy of Jon Haggins. Manhattan Tours  
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## TRIP TO LONDON, ENGLAND

To Experience West Indian Carnival  
Air Travel Sponsored by American Airlines

## TRIP TO NEW YORK

To Attend The  
26th Anniversary of  
Hal Jackson's Talented Teens International



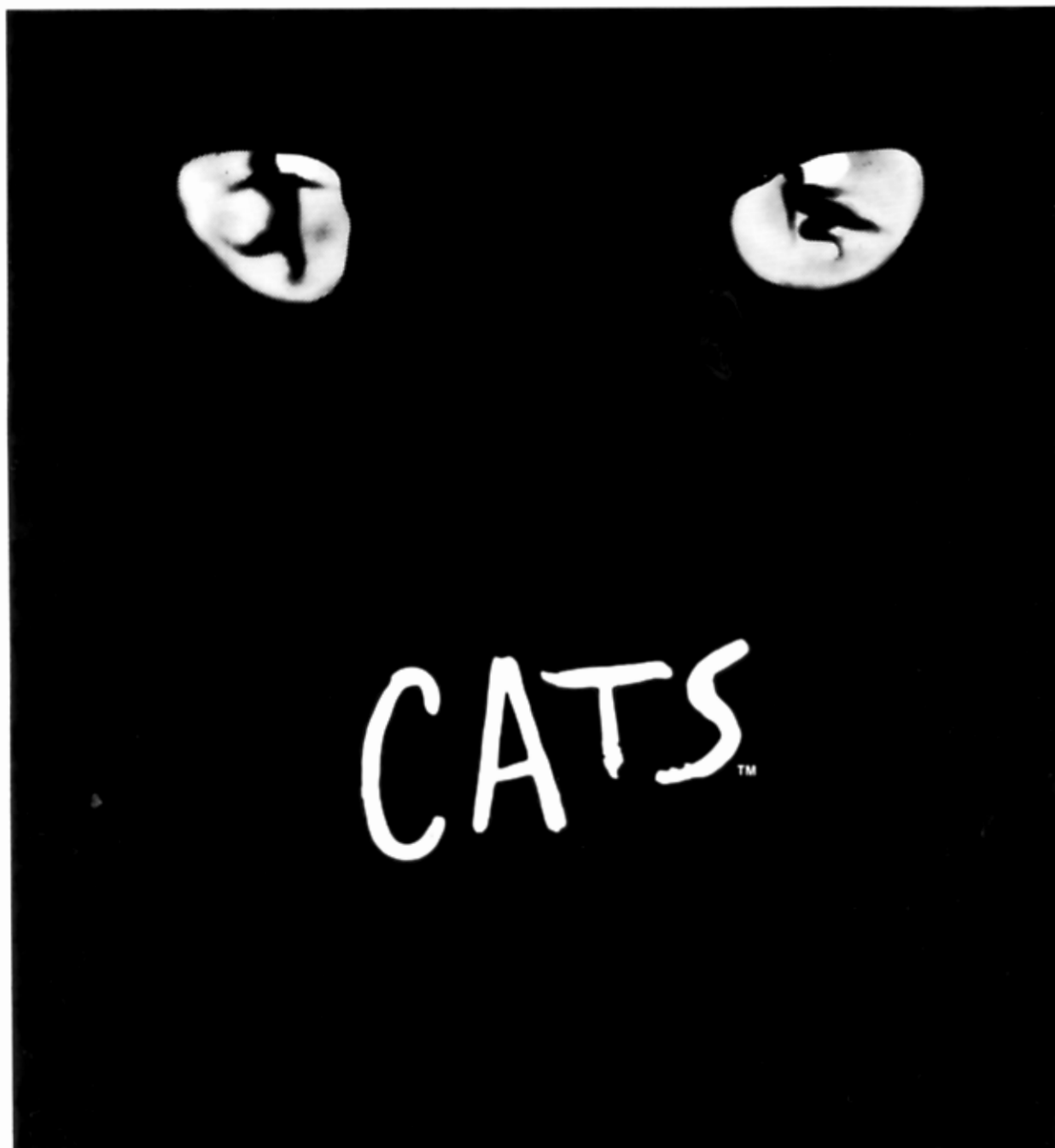
## EACH CONTESTANT RECEIVES

- A Talented Teens T-Shirt
- A WBLS Back Pack
- A Talented Teens Watch
- A Certificate of Achievement
- A Participation Trophy
- A Gift from Black Radiance

"In The Spirit" written by Susan Taylor



**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
THE  
1995 TALENTED TEENS CONTESTANTS**



# An Enchanting Week In The World's Capitol New York City

## **OFFICIAL WELCOMING**

The Contestants & State/Country Directors were Given an Official Welcome to the  
World's Capitol  
by Ms. Donna Guiliani

## **NEW YORK CITY TOUR**

The Contestants & State/Country Directors Were Given a Grand Tour  
of the Exciting "Big Apple"

## **BLACK TIE GALA WELCOMING DINNER**

At the Tavern On The Green  
Central Park, NYC  
Special Guest — Regina Belle

## **FASHION SHOW AWARDS LUNCHEON**

At Loews New York Hotel  
Produced by Jon Haggins

## **THE WINTER GREEN THEATRE**

To See the Musical "Cats"

## **SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT**

The Contestants & Chaperons were treated to  
Southern Cuisine at World Famous Sylvia's Restaurant

## **APOLLO THEATRE**

The contestants saw the legendary stage during Amateur Night

## **WORLD YACHT CRUISE**

Everyone Dined and Cruised around the Statute of Liberty  
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Columbia Records  
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EMI Manhattan  
EPIC Records  
Essence Magazine  
Harry Kirschner & Sons Furs  
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Moet  
Motown Records  
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Prospective Records  
RCA Records  
Right On! Magazine  
Sylvia's Restaurant  
Sony Entertainment Group  
Time Warner Communications  
Virgin Records  
Warner Bros Records  
WBLS  
WLIB

And All The Individuals Who Made This Week An Experience To Remember

# Special Guest Appearances



Xample



Subway



Jason Weaver

# 1995 STATE & COUNTRY DIRECTORS



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HJTT - Antigua Chapter



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UNITING TALENTED YOUTH  
IN NEW JERSEY



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*Presents the*

**25th Annual**

**HAL JACKSON'S TALENTED TEENS INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION**

**SATURDAY, JULY 22, 1995 APOLLO THEATRE NEW YORK CITY**

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*Hal Jackson*

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*Michael Jackson Jheryl Busby Sylvia Rhone*

HOSTS

*Sergio Dean Jason Weaver*

SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCES DURING THE WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

*Regina Belle N II U Pure Soul IV Example Subway*

FEATURING CONTESTANTS REPRESENTING THE MOST TALENTED TEENS FROM  
AROUND THE WORLD  
AND 1994 WINNER

*Amanda Stanley*

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TALENTED TEENS INTERNATIONAL**

**25TH ANNIVERSARY**

**WE SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR ENDEAVORS**

**OUR TEENS ARE OUR FUTURE**

**BEST WISHES**

**MISS ILLINOIS**

**1995**

**IF YOU BELIEVE YOU WILL ACHIEVE**

**VERDA ROGERS DIRECTOR**

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**DEBRA ROGERS**

HAL JACKSON'S TALENTED TEENS INTERNATIONAL 1995 CONTESTANTS

ALABAMA



*Tamberly Lynne  
Pettway 14  
Singer*

ANTIGUA



*Janelle Williams 17  
Singer/Pianist*

BRITISH VIRGIN  
ISLANDS



*Kaisa M. Penn 17  
Clarinet*

CALIFORNIA



*Keisa Jamill Parish 14  
Modern Dancer*

CAMEROON



*Jeosette A. Illawe 14  
Dancer/Singer*

CONNECTICUT



*Khandise Taylor 16  
Singer*

DISTRICT OF  
COLUMBIA



*Yendi N.  
Yarborough 16  
Drama*

ENGLAND



*Carla Maria Williams  
16  
Singer*

GHANA



*Renée Amponsah 15  
Dramatic Performance*

GEORGIA



*Chamika Patricia  
Allen 13  
Ballet Dancer*

GERMANY



*Arnessa Remagen  
Jeffrey 14  
Ballet Dancer*

HAWAII



*Nobelani Grace  
Le Count 15  
Singer*

**ILLINOIS**



*Carla Armstrong 13  
Actress*

**INDIA**



*Joy Chbira 16  
Dancer*

**INDIANA**



*Andrea Boykin 15  
Singer*

**IOWA**



*Johnae Grayer 16  
Singer*

**MARYLAND**



*Jamie Helena Smith 15  
Dancer*

**MINNESOTA**



*CherRina J.  
Chatham 14  
Dancer*

**MISSOURI**



*Tiara Rooks  
Barren 15  
Singer*

**NEBRASKA**



*Precious Franklin 13  
Singer*

**NEW JERSEY**



*Ebony Mack 13  
Singer*

**NEW YORK**



*Crystal Keemer 16  
Singer*

**NICARAGUA**



*Michelle Noguera 15*

**NIGERIA**



*ChiChi Nwoko 17  
Singer*

HAL JACKSON'S TALENTED TEENS INTERNATIONAL 1995 CONTESTANTS

**NORTH CAROLINA**



*Shamika LaTerce  
Carmichael 17  
Singer*

**OHIO**



*Myesha Johnson 14  
Singer*

**OKLAHOMA**



*Leah Ledbetter 13  
Ballet Dancer*

**PANAMA**



*Gina Maribel Engler  
17  
Dancer*

**PENNSYLVANIA**



*Sherri Fonté 14  
Singer*

**PHILLIPPINES**



*Azalea Whight 17  
Singer*

**ST. KITTS &  
NEVIS**



*Natara  
Thomas-Carr 16  
Steel Pan*

**S. CAROLINA**



*Lyketchia England 17  
Singer  
South Dakota*

**U.S. VIRGIN**



**ISLANDS**  
*Nicole Quinn 15  
Jazz Dancer*



**VIRGINIA**  
*Andrea Moore 14  
Singer*



**WASHINGTON**  
*Arneidra Nicquel  
Austin 14  
Singer*



**ZAIRE**  
*Jarvia Udosen 15*



**ALASKA**  
*Deloris Johnson 15*  
*Violinist*



**ARKANSAS**  
*Autumn Simmons 16*  
*Singer*

**1995 CONTESTANTS NOT PICTURED:**

ARIZONA  
COLORADO  
COLUMBIA  
DELAWARE  
EL SALVADOR  
IDAHO  
KANSAS  
LIBERIA  
MASSACHUSETTS  
MONTANA  
NEW MEXICO  
NORTH DAKOTA  
PUERTO RICO  
SIERRE LEONE  
UTAH  
WISCONSIN  
WYOMING



*Congratulations*  
*Nicole*



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# Remember your first real history lesson?

When Grandma used to sit you down and talk about her life she wasn't just telling tales. She was following a long line of Black historians who passed their precious knowledge from generation to generation using the most expressive instrument created. The human voice.

This knowledge is power. Because when you know where you come from you know who you are. Our grandparents knew this. So did W.E.B. Dubois, Sojourner Truth, Carter G. Woodson and Martin Luther King.

They also knew how important it was that this knowledge continue to be handed down. We all have a responsibility to preserve and protect this history in order to positively affect the quality of our future.

Anheuser-Busch appreciates this fact. We have an ongoing commitment to forging partnerships with Black organizations across the country which are involved in preserving the Black cultural heritage.

And we've brought Black history into the community through our Great Kings and Queens of Africa art collection.

A real picture of being Black in America includes all of us. The future rests on people of all races working together to make our common reality one we can all be proud of.

**Building a future in partnership  
with the community.**



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