Pupil's Creative Talents Given Space To LAU+NCH

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With the continuing progression towards a more academic curriculum, it's difficult to see exactly what space is available for pupils to express their creative sides, yet for 100 pupils in London schools next week, they will have just that - a space to showcase their talents, and to network with and learn from industry talents from film, tv, arts, music and more.

In association with Global Entrepreneurship Week 2013 and the Children's Commissioner's Takeover Day, the U+ team are opening up LAU+NCH - a platform that brings together creative young people and industry experts to give Britain's talented youngsters the chance to gain contacts and experiences in the industries in which they wish to pursue a career.

Hosted at Dalston Department Store in East London, LAU+NCH is an informal event with guest speakers, activities and competitions held throughout the morning. Guest speakers include Dragons' Den investor and Founder of School for Creative Startups Doug Richard, and author of Enterprising Child, Lorraine Allman.

There is a U+ Pitch, We Produce panel headed by Doug where young people pitch their ideas to win £500 and the support of the U+ Team to turn their idea to reality. Practical workshops will provide hands on experience across a range of industries, and of course there is an area for young people to showcase their talents through performance.

Doug says of the event:

"Creative enterprises will be a key driver of what will be referred to as the Great Recovery. It is vital that we embed an entrepreneurial mindset into all areas of society to exploit the full breadth of opportunity. U+ are both raising awareness of the wider cause and, providing an invaluable, interactive environment for young people to learn and experience entrepreneurship ensuring they have the adaptability to thrive."

An evening event of networking for young people and showcasing their talents takes place late in the day from 6.30pm-10:00pm. This free event is open to anyone but tickets must be reserved in advance at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/u-launch-tickets-8811983881

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Notes to Editors:

U+ is an independently funded initiative that empowers young people to turn their talents into enterprise. Committed to empowering young people by providing them with a platform to enhance and accelerate their abilities, U+ is run by a team of under 25's, working hard to help change young people's career prospects by giving them access to opportunities, experiences and contacts that they would not otherwise have.

www.uplusproject.com

Global Entrepreneurship Week:

Global Entrepreneurship Week (18-24 November 2013) is the world's largest campaign to promote entrepreneurship. Each year, it plays a critical role in encouraging the next generation of entrepreneurs to consider starting up their own business. It is a worldwide movement of entrepreneurial people. Around 100 countries across the globe are signed up to take part, and millions of people will use the week to create new opportunities and successful ventures.

This year's Global Entrepreneurship Week will also be celebrating 10 years of enterprise history in the UK. The week is run in the UK by Youth Business International, a global network founded in 2000 by HRH The Prince of Wales, which already runs the event in eleven other countries, in partnership with Barclays.

www.gew.org.uk

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The day gives children and young people the chance to work with adults for the day and be involved in decision-making. Children benefit from the opportunity to experience the world of work and make their voices heard, while adults and organisations gain a fresh perspective on what they do.

www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/takeover_day

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