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Welcome to *News You Can Use*. This bulletin is brought to you by the Women of Worth and is meant to provide you with information to help you and your loved ones prosper and experience good health even as your souls prosper for that is the will of God concerning you.

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# **JOB OPPORTUNITIES / HIRING EVENTS**



# Pittsburgh

NAACP DIVERSITY JOB FAIR APRIL 25, 2012 10AM - 3PM

Marriott City Center 112 Washington Place

# **BONUS!**

SPECIAL PROMOTIONS TO ATTRACT VETERANS BY VETJOBS

OPEN TO ALL JOB SEEKERS WITH A 2-YEAR DEGREE & ABOVE, FREE & NO REGISTRATION!

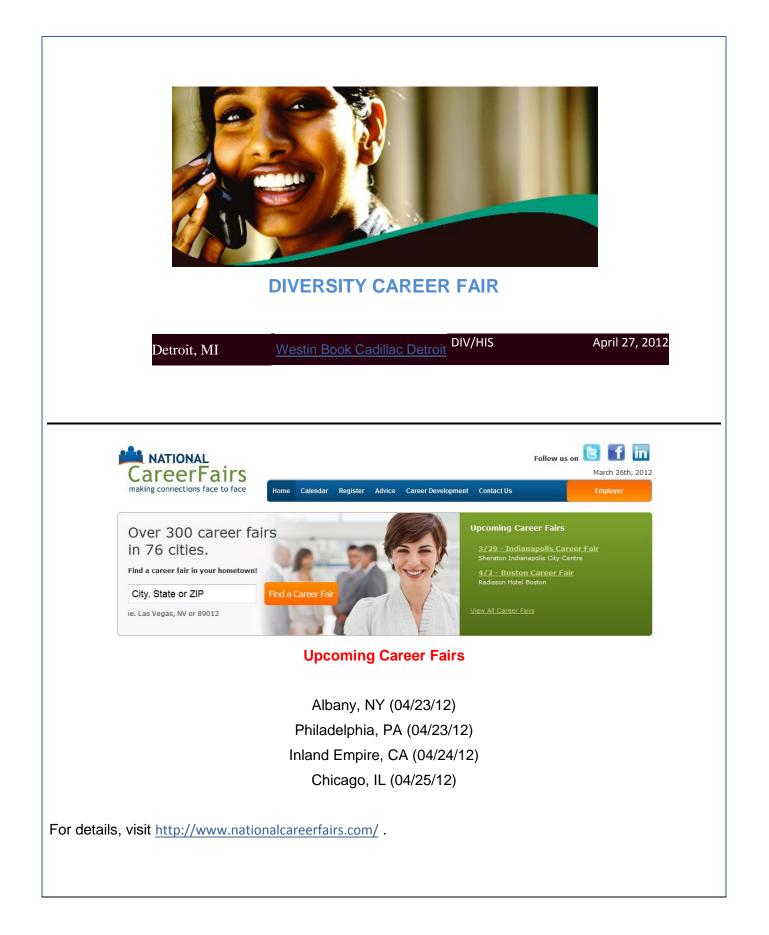
Employers-<u>Click here</u> to request information about this event!

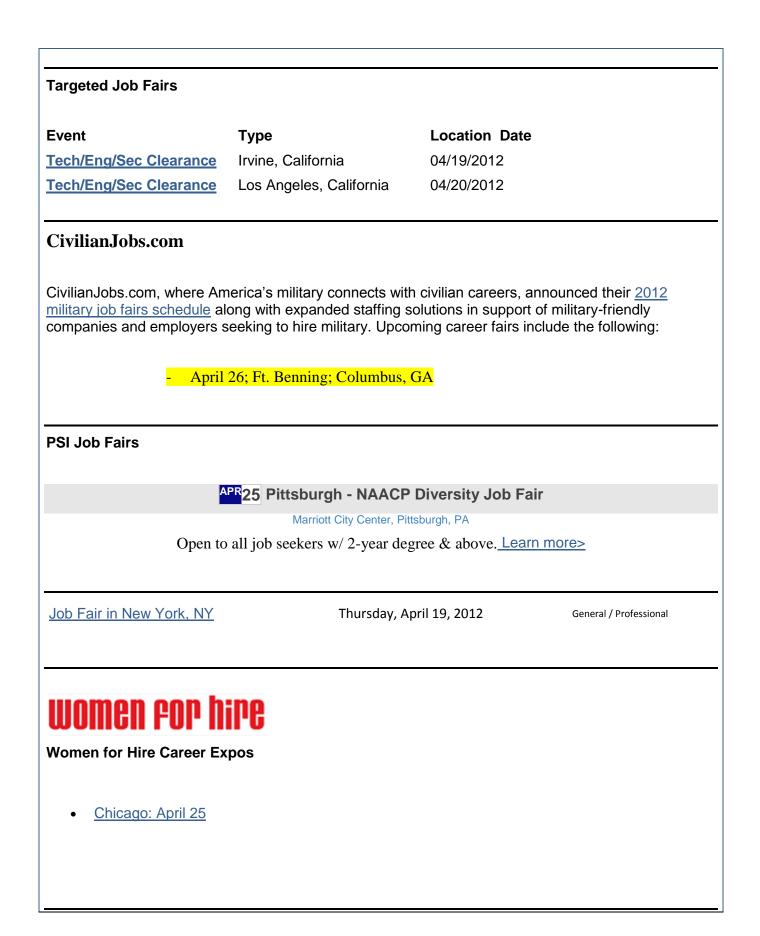
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### **EXHIBITORS**

- KDKA TV
- Bayer
- DelMonte Foods
- Pitt Ohio Express
- Alleghany Airport Authority
- Covelli Enterprise Panera Bread
- Robert Morris
- US Navy
- UPMC Healthcare
- Quest
- Prudential
- FHL Bank Pittsburgh
- Bechtel Plant Machinery, Inc.
- United Health Group
- US Marines
- Philadelphia Army National Guard
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- The Home Depot
- US Community College of Allegheny
- S & T Bank
- Bed, Bath & Beyond
- LIFE Pittsburgh
- PNC Bank
- Transitional Services
- CBS Radio
- Citizens Bank
- Draeger Safety, Inc.
- Giant Eagle, Inc.
- Erie Insurance
- Mitsubishi Electric Power Products





## May 2012 Job Fairs

#### 05/01, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair

Santa Ana, California Location: Embassy Suites Hotel - OC Airport North1325 East Dyer Road Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### **05/01, 2012 - Choice Job Fair** Bloomington, Minnesota Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel & Suites, 3 Appletree Square Contact Phone: n/a Website: <u>www.choicecareerfairs.com</u>

**05/01, 2012 - Arkansas CAHRA, Arkansas Democrat, Gazette Job Fair** Arkansas 1325 East Dyer Road Contact Phone: 501-918-4539 Website: www.arshrm.com/arshrm-calendar\_id79.php?action=detail&event\_id=180

**05/02, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair** Phoenix, Arizona Location: Embassy Suites Hotel - Biltmore, 2630 East Camelback Road Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### **05/02, 2012 - Choice Job Fair** Davie, Florida Location: Signature Grand, 6900 State Road 84 Contact Phone: n/a Website: www.choicecareerfairs.com

#### 05/02, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair

El Segundo, California Location: Embassy Suites Hotel - LAX South, 1440 East Imperial Avenue Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### 05/02, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair

San Diego, California Location: Embassy Suites Hotel - La Jolla, 4550 La Jolla Village Drive Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### 05/02, 2012 - National Career Fair Job Fair

Arlington, Texas Location: La Quinta Inn & Suites Arlington North - 6 Flags825 N. Watson Rd. Contact Phone: n/a Website: <u>www.nationalcareerfairs.com</u>

#### 05/03, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair

Centennial, Colorado Location: Embassy Suites Hotel Denver - Tech Center, 10250 East Costilla Avenue Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### 05/03, 2012 - HireLive Sales, Retail & Management Job Fair

Ontario, California Location: DoubleTree Hotel, 222 North Vineyard Ave Contact Phone: 949-599-1870 Website: <u>www.hirelive.com</u>

#### 05/03, 2012 - Recruit Military Job Fair

Oakland, California Location: O.co Coliseum, 7000 Coliseum Way Contact Phone: 513-683-5020 Website: <u>www.events.recruitmilitary.com</u>

#### 05/07, 2012 - National Career Fair Job Fair

Independence, Ohio Location: Doubletree Hotel Cleveland South, 6200 Quarry Lane Contact Phone: n/a Website: www.nationalcareerfairs.com



Every year, the <u>Target</u> Store Grant program provides grants to K-12 schools and other nonprofit organizations working to provide reading and arts programs for children and youth.

Target Early Childhood Reading Grants are awarded to schools, libraries, and nonprofit organizations to support programs such as afterschool reading events and weekend book clubs. Grants are intended to help foster a love of reading and encourage children, preschool through third grade, to read with their families.

Target Arts and Culture in Schools Grants are intended to enhance classroom curricula by bringing music, dance, drama, and visual arts programs into the classroom. These grants are designed to help bring performers to schools so children can experience the arts and learn new forms of self-expression. Eligible programs include in-school performances, artist in residency programs, and workshops in schools.

Grants in both funding categories will be for \$2,000 each.

Eligible applicants must be nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations and schools, libraries, and public agencies.

Visit the Target Web site (<u>http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMP04-031767</u>) for complete program guidelines, an FAQ, and to submit an online application.

Deadline: April 30, 2012

# **BANK OF AMERICA GRANTS FOR HOUSING ISSUES**



The <u>Bank of America Charitable Foundation</u> is inviting nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations throughout the United States to submit funding proposals for programs that address the nation's ongoing housing challenges.

The company will invest \$15 million to support impactful local and national programs and services addressing housing issues, including foreclosure counseling and mitigation, neighborhood stabilization, and affordable housing. This support builds on the bank's more than \$50 million in grants and program-related investments since 2010 to assist nonprofits providing homeowner retention programs, transitional services, and revitalization efforts in low- and moderate-income communities across the country.

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Grant applications will be accepted April 2 through April 30, 2012.

For the program announcement and the eligibility quiz (click on "Apply for a grant"), visit the Bank of America Web site

(http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fd\_localgrants).

Deadline: April 30, 2012

# FARMERS MARKET PROMOTION PROGRAM



Friends,

Just last week, our Deputy Secretary announced the opening of the Farmers Market Promotion Program for 2012. We have included information on how you can learn more and get started on applying for this exciting program. The entries are in, so we've also included how to view and vote for your favorite video in the <u>Communities on the Move Video</u> <u>Challenge</u>. And be sure to check out the President's Weekly Address on the Easter and Passover celebrations.

Blessings,

Max Finberg

Director, Center for Faith-Based & Neighborhood Partnerships

U.S. Department of Agriculture

collaborate@usda.gov

202-720-2032

# **Applications Accepted Until May 21<sup>st</sup>**

# **Farmers Market Promotion Program Grants**

Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan has announced that USDA is seeking 2012 grant applications for the Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP).

FMPP grants are administered through USDA's <u>Agricultural Marketing Service</u> and aim to increase the availability of local agricultural products in communities and strengthen farmer-to-consumer marketing. Additional consideration will be given to projects that expand healthy food choices in food deserts or low-income areas.

"These grants will put resources into rural and urban economies, and help strengthen efforts to provide access to nutritious and affordable foods," said Agriculture Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan. "This program not only supports the health and well-being of local communities but also the economic health of their farms and businesses."

<u>Click here</u> for more information on applying for a Farmers Market Promotion Program grant. Applications must be submitted to <u>grants.gov</u> no later than May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. For grant questions, please email <u>usdafmppquestions@ams.usda.gov</u> or call (202) 720-8317.

Preparing a competitive federal grant application takes time, research, and careful preparation, so don't delay and get started today!

# From now until May 11<sup>th</sup>!

# **Communities on the Move Video Challenge**

Thanks to everyone who submitted videos to the contest. From now until May 11th, visit our <u>Video Gallery</u> each day and vote for your favorite entry in the Popular Choice Category in the Communities on the Move Video Challenge!

The Video Challenge encourages faith-based and neighborhood organizations to create oneto-three minute videos highlighting their work to make their communities healthier. Winners will be invited to visit Washington, DC to share their videos with the First Lady at the White House!

The Challenge is part of <u>Let's Move Faith and Communities</u>, which engages congregations and neighborhood organizations in the effort to end childhood obesity within a generation.

# MEDICARE & MEDICAID WEB CONFERENCE



Friends,

Following the 2nd Anniversary of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) invites you to view an "On Demand" web conference for faith and community partners explaining the legislative provisions. Since travel budgets are tight and there are limited resources to meet and greet you in person, we invite you to click on the link <u>https://webinar.cms.hhs.gov/p24227842/</u> to learn more about the provisions where you are – in your home, work or place of worship. Further, you can view it on your own schedule.

Because you, as our partner, may reach audiences who are diverse with various needs, please take the messages and information for your specific audiences and share with others who may want to know more about the coverage and what is available for their specific needs. You can view the provisions and services that may complement your existing programs and the clients you serve.

The audiences are:

- \* Families with Children
- \* People with Disabilities
- \* Pregnant Women
- \* Seniors
- \* Small Businesses
- \* Young Adults

http://www.healthcare.gov/law/information-for-you/index.html

For those who may not be able to access the video feature, the transcripts are available.

Key provisions to share will include strengthening Medicare, covering the uninsured, expanding access to preventive services, and preventing fraud and abuse.

We encourage you to share this information with members of your community and within your networks. Please share and circulate it with others.

If you, as our partner, or your clients would like materials, we have included links for brochures on the Affordable Care Act. You may download a one page fact sheet based on the audience type.

http://www.healthcare.gov/news/brochures/index.html · Families with Children (PDF – English 7.27 MB, Spanish 1.23 MB) · People with Disabilities (PDF – English 2.56 MB, Spanish 931 KB) · Seniors (PDF – English 11.3 MB, Spanish 1.54 MB) · Small Business Owners (PDF – English 4.22 MB, Spanish 646 KB) · Young Adults (PDF – English 6.56 MB, Spanish 919 KB)

Together, we can help each other for the benefit of those we serve.

Again, we thank you for joining us and look forward to working with you as we continue working together to help those "we all serve" as public servants

Judy Weaver and Rhonda Hunter, CMS Region IV - Faith-based contacts

## **DIABETES RIDE & FREE SCREENING**



Where

Morris Brown College 643 Martin King Jr Drive Atlanta, GA 30314

Upcoming

9:00 a.m. Saturday, April 21, 2012

Categories

Fundraisers, Health | Wellness

Nurses, Counselors and Representatives from American Diabetes Association and Grady Hospital will be on hand at the end of the ride to give free screenings for Diabetes and to educate Citizens on causes and affect in addition to preventions.

The ride, led by avid motorcyclist Jocelyn Dorsey of WSB-TV, will depart at 10am. Registration is \$20 (\$10 for passengers) and includes an event t-shirt. This family affair is open to all who ride, as well as anyone who wants to come and enjoy the festivities and be screened for the disease. There will be a clown for children, live entertainment, a DJ and drawings for prizes.

A portion of the proceeds will go to American Diabetes Association, who will present staggering statistics on the effects of Diabetes in Metro Atlanta.

# HARDEST HIT FUND



President Obama established the Hardest Hit Fund <sup>SM</sup> in February 2010 to provide targeted aid to families in states hit hard by the economic and housing market downturn. Each state housing agency gathered public input to implement programs designed to meet the distinct challenges struggling homeowners in their state are facing. States were chosen either because they are struggling with unemployment rates at or above the national average or steep home price declines greater than 20 percent since the housing market downturn.

Hardest Hit Fund programs vary state to state, but may include the following:

- Mortgage payment assistance for unemployed or underemployed homeowners
- Principal reduction to help homeowners get into more affordable mortgages
- Funding to eliminate homeowners' second lien loans
- Help for homeowners who are transitioning out of their homes and into more affordable places of residence.

Each state's plan is included below. For more information about a specific plan, please contact the state housing agency directly.

Alabama (\$162,521,345) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.hardesthitalabama.com</u> Arizona (\$267,766,006) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>https://www.savemyhomeaz.gov/</u>

California (\$1,975,334,096) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>www.keepyourhomecalifornia.org</u>

Florida (\$1,057,839,136) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>https://www.flhardesthithelp.org/</u>

Georgia (\$339,255,819) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>https://www.homesafegeorgia.com</u>

Illinois (\$445,603,557) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>https://www.illinoishardesthit.org/</u>

Indiana (\$221,694,139) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.877gethope.org/</u>

Kentucky (\$148,901,875) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.ProtectMyKYHome.org</u>

Michigan (\$498,605,738) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.stepforwardmichigan.org</u>

Mississippi (\$101,888,323) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.mshomesaver.com</u> Nevada (\$194,026,240) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: http://www.nahac.org/

New Jersey (\$300,548,144) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.njhomekeeper.gov</u>

North Carolina (\$482,781,786) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.ncforeclosureprevention.gov/</u>

Ohio (\$570,395,099) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.savethedream.ohio.gov/</u>

Oregon (\$220,042,786) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.oregonhomeownerhelp.org/</u>

Rhode Island (\$79,351,573) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: http://www.hhfri.org/

South Carolina (\$295,431,547) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.scmortgagehelp.com/</u>

**Tennessee** (\$217,315,593) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>http://www.keepmytnhome.org</u>

Washington DC (\$20,697,198) <u>Most Recent Quarterly Report</u> <u>Fact Sheet</u> For more information: <u>https://www.homesaverdc.org/</u>

# **HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS**



# NACA SAVE THE DREAM TOUR AMERICAN DREAM EVENTS

The events below are for homeowners with an unaffordable mortgage and homebuyers wanting to purchase a home with the best mortgage in America.

For more information, visit <u>https://www.naca.com/nacaWeb/index\_main.aspx</u> .

Washington, DC

<u>Flyer</u>

Apr 19-23 DC Convention Ctr.

New York, NY

**Flyer** 

Apr 26-30

Javits North

#### Richmond, VA

<u>Flyer</u> May 3-7 Greater Richmond Conv.

Cleveland, OH

<u>Flyer</u> Jun 28-Jul 2 Cleveland Pub. Auditorium

# MORTGAGE RELIEF (HARP 2.0 FOR UNDERWATER HOME LOANS)

#### HARP 2.0 – Do you qualify for mortgage relief?



By Alison Paoli

The HARP 2.0 refinance program will become <u>widely available to underwater homeowners</u> today and is expected to bring mortgage relief to those who are current on their home loan, but have been unable to refinance into today's historically low mortgage rates because of their negative equity status.

The full implementation of the revamped HARP 2.0 program, which was initially announced by President Obama in late October 2011, has taken several months to come to fruition. And while in recent months it's been available on a manual basis and limited to just the homeowner's current servicer, the series of changes that the computerized version of the program has undergone will dramatically increase the volume and speed of applications processed. (Compare flying 100 people across the ocean versus 100 people swimming across it).

To be eligible for a HARP refinance, you can either use this <u>HARP eligibility calculator</u> with detailed eligibility explanations or follow the general guidelines below:

1. Your loan must be owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. If you are unsure, you can check both Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's websites or you can call their toll-free numbers for confirmation.

Fannie Mae: <u>http://www.fanniemae.com/loanlookup/</u> 1-800-7FANNIE (8 am to 8 pm ET) Freddie Mac: https://ww3.freddiemac.com/corporate/ 1-800-FREDDIE (8 am to 8 pm ET)

2. You must have closed your current loan on or before May 31, 2009.

3. You must not have made a late payment within the past six months and have had no more than one late payment within the past 12 months.

4. Your loan must fall under the current conforming loan limits. If you are unsure, you can find out here: <u>http://themortgagereports.com/loan-limits/</u>

#### If you met the general guidelines, what's next?

Zillow's Director of Mortgages, Erin Lantz, recommends you start by contacting your current loan servicer to see if you are eligible.

"You current servicer should be able to tell you if your loan qualifies for a HARP refinance and can help you apply for it. However, just like a regular mortgage program, it makes sense to shop around and compare rates, fees and lender service levels. So start with your current servicer, but it is also a good idea to check out at least one other lender."

HARP Program-specific contact information for major mortgage servicers with whom you already have a mortgage. (Not for new loans or shopping for a new servicer):

Bank of America: 1-800-846-2222 Wells Fargo: 1-877-937-9357 Chase: 1-800-848-9136 Citi: 1-800-283-7918 US Bank: 1-866-932-0462

## **HEALTH FAIRS**



Click on the hyperlinks below for more information about the upcoming health fairs shown here.

#### The Southern California Health & Fitness Expo

FIBO 2012 International Trade Show April 19 - 22, 2012 Essen, Germany www.fibo.de

#### FitnessFest Conference and Expo - Scottsdale

April 20 - 22, 2012 Valley of the Sun JCC Scottsdale, Arizona

#### Emerald Cup Bodybuilding, Fitness, Figure, Bikini & Physique Championships and Expo

April 20 -21, 2012 Meydenbauer Center Bellevue, Washington

#### Phoenix Gluten-Free Expo 2012

April 21, 2012 DoubleTree By Hilton Paradise Valley - Scottsdale Scottsdale, Arizona

#### **Gluten Free Waffle Brunch Fundraiser**

April 21, 2012 St. Mark's United Methodist Church Carmel, Indiana

#### **Burn with Kearns MMA Fitness Trainer Course Certification**

April 21 - 22, 2012 The Training Edge Williamsville, New York

#### **Country Music Marathon Health & Fitness Expo**

April 25 - 27, 2012 Nashville Convention Center Nashville, Tennesee

#### **Christie Clinic Illinois Marathon Health & Fitness Expo**

April 26 - 27, 2012 University of Illinois Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) Champaign, Illinois

#### **Burn with Kearns MMA Fitness Trainer Course Certification**

April 27, 2012 Pritchards Martial Arts Wales, United Kingdom

#### **Big Sur International Marathon Health and Fitness Expo**

April 27 - 28, 2012 Monterey Conference Center Monterey, California

#### **Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon Health and Fitness Expo**

April 27 - 28, 2012 Cox Business Services Convention Center Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

#### Australian Fitness Expo

April 27 - 29, 2012 Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre Sydney, Australia

#### St. Anthony's Triathlon Sports and Fitness Expo

April 27 - 29, 2012 Straub Park St. Petersburg, Florida

#### Pilates on Tour - London 2012

April 27 - 29, 2012 London, England

#### HITS Triathlon Series Fitness Festival - Marble Falls

April 27 - 29, 2012 Marble Falls, Texas

#### Eugene Marathon, Half Marathon, 5K and Health & Fitness Expo

April 27 - 29, 2012 The Hilton Eugene & Conference Center Eugene, Oregon

#### City of Richmond 'Get Healthy – Stay Healthy' Health Expo

April 28, 2012 Greater Richmond Convention Center Richmond, Virginia

#### EUROPA Get Fit & Sports Expo

April 27 - 28, 2012 Orange County Convention Center Orlando, Florida

#### **Celiac Disease Foundation Annual Education Conference and Food Drive**

<u>April 28, 2012</u> <u>Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City</u> <u>Universal City, California</u>

#### Celiac Awareness Tour -Philadelphia

<u>April 28, 2012</u> Location TBD Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### **Burn with Kearns MMA Fitness Trainer Course Certification**

April 28 - 29, 2012 Ireland Fight Academy Belfast, North Ireland

#### Alive! Expo

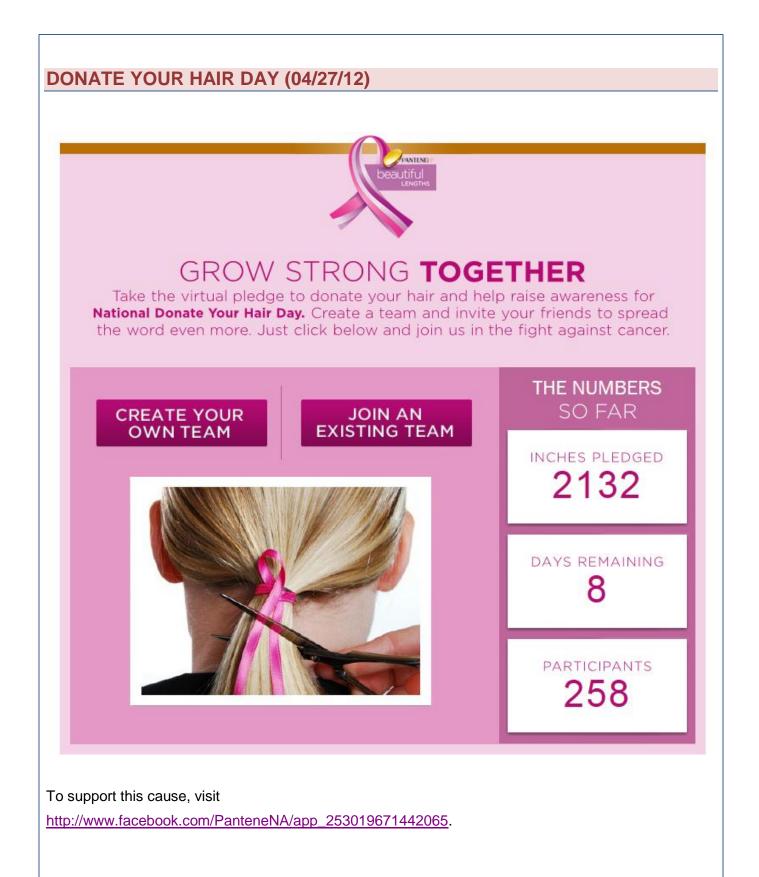
April 28 - 29, 2012 Atlanta, Georgia

#### **DivaGirl Fitness Conference**

April 29, 2012 Crowne Plaza Resort and Spa Indialantic (Melbourne), Florida

#### African Holistic Health Wellness & Fitness Expo

April 2012 (Date TBD) Dwyer Cultural Center New York, NY



## FREE COOKING CLASSES @ WILLIAMS-SONOMA



Williams-Sonoma offers <u>free in-store cooking & technique classes</u>. The specific times may vary from place to place, and you'll need to RSVP. <u>Sundays are typically tech class days</u>.

Here's the lineup for the rest of April

- April 22: Intro to Gardening: Seed Starting
- April 29: Juicing

# **CASTING CALL: X FACTOR AUDITIONS (SAN FRANCISCO, CA)**



#### THE WORLD'S ONLY \$5 MILLION AUDITION IS BACK! DO YOU HAVE THE X FACTOR?

#### THE X FACTOR Season Two Auditions Open Thursday, March 1

Nationwide Audition Opportunities Include Online Auditions at <u>www.TheXFactorUSA.com</u> Beginning Thursday, March 1; Open Call Auditions Starting March 14 in Kansas City, MO; and MyStudio HD Recording Studios Across the Country

# THE X FACTOR Season Two Winner To Receive \$5 Million Recording Contract with Sony Music

#### Auditions Open to Solo Artists and Vocal Groups Ages 12 and Over

#### Artists with Pre-existing Management Contracts Can Now Audition

THE X FACTOR is expanding its audition process to reach more singers than any talent show ever before in its search to find the best new solo artists and vocal groups in America. In addition and new for Season Two, artists with pre-existing management contracts can now audition (subject to limited restrictions).

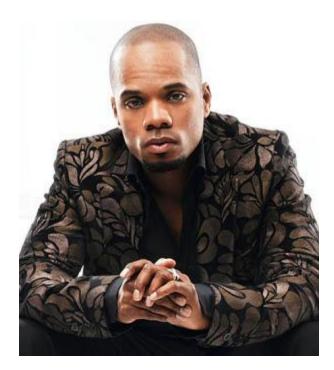
America's best undiscovered talent can audition for THE X FACTOR Season Two as follows:

- Online auditions open March 1 at <u>www.TheXFactorUSA.com;</u>
- MyStudio HD Recording Studios across America open March 1
- Open Calls continue in San Francisco (April 20); Greensboro, NC (May 1); and an additional city to be announced

THE X FACTOR reopens its invitation to ALL of America, ages 12 and over with no upper age limit, to audition for Season Two (subject to full eligibility requirements). This fall's No. 1 unscripted series discovered such diverse recording artists as winner Melanie Amaro, and finalists Astro, Chris Rene, Josh Krajcik, Marcus Canty and Rachel Crow, who have all signed major deals with Sony Music.

Simon Cowell and L.A. Reid will return as judges to THE X FACTOR this fall on FOX. Additional judges to be announced.

# CASTING CALL: SUNDAY BEST – SEASON 5 (ST. LOUIS, MO)



St. Louis, MO Saturday, April 21

Friendly Temple Missionary Baptist Church 5525 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive Saint Louis, MO 63112

Doors open at 6 a.m. and close at 1 p.m. on Saturday. To register for the <u>BET.com</u> Digital VIP Suite for a chance to go straight to the judge's round after your preliminary audition, <u>click here</u>.

"Sunday Best" is hosted by gospel artist Kirk Franklin.

Go to <u>Bet.com/sundaybest</u> for more information.

# **CASTING CALL: BRIDEZILLAS**



# bridezILLAS

Do you or someone you know think you have what it takes to be on America's top-rated wedding show?

Are your wedding preparations getting out of control?

Are you struggling with the cooperation of your wedding party, fiancé or in-laws? Are you doing everything in your power to make sure your wedding day is perfect? Are you ready to share your story with other women who've been or will be in your shoes? **If so, then you are just what we're looking for!** 

#### \*\*BRIDES WILL BE GENEROUSLY COMPENSATED\*\*

To be considered for an episode of Bridezillas please email the below information to <u>castingbridezillas@gmail.com</u> and someone in the casting department will be in touch to take you through the casting process:

- BRIDE'S FULL NAME
- AGE
- CITY & STATE
- CONTACT #
- EMAIL
- WEDDING DATE
- WEDDING BUDGET
- GROOMS FULL NAME
- TELL US WHAT KIND OF BRIDEZILLA YOU'D BE.
- DESCRIBE TO US YOUR MOST RECENT BRIDEZILLA MOMENT
- WHO IS GIVING YOU THE MOST STRESS & WHY?
- GIVE US YOUR TOP 3 CONCERNS FOR YOUR WEDDING.

Deadline: 04/28/12

## **CASTING CALL: WIPEOUT**



For more information, visit <u>http://www.mysticartpictures.com/ncshow.php?nc\_id=47</u>.

Deadline: 04/30/12

# **RESTAURANT WEEKS**



#### Long Island Restaurant Week April 22-29, 2012

#### **Detroit Restaurant Week**

<u>April 20-29, 2012</u>

# **BRIDAL EXPOS**



Original Wedding Expo Lincoln, RI - Apr, 22, 2012

#### **Everything Bridal Shows & Expos**

Don't miss the Largest Bridal Expos of the year! Always Free Admission! The first 200 brides will receive complimentary bridal magazines, Free Totebags, and be entered to win over TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS in door prizes. Including a HONEYMOON VACATION give-a-way. You Must be Present to Win! Everything Bridal Shows presents the Bridal Extravaganza featuring this years hottest fashions along with the top local wedding professionals. Come meet with over 30 of the areas finest wedding professionals to help you create the wedding of your dreams. Don't miss our Band & DJ performances by some of the finest entertainment companies available today. So come join us along with all the wedding professionals here at Everything Bridal Shows to the Bridal Extravaganza at a location near you.

Spring Bridal Extravaganza April 25, 2012 Show Times: 7:00 PM Location: Lake Isle Country Club, 660 White Plains Road, Eastchester NY 10709

#### A Perfect Bridal Show at The Empire Room

April 22, 2012 Show Times: 12pm - 4pm Admission: Free Location:581 State Fair Blvd, Syracuse NY 13209

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Southern Bridal Show & Expo April 22, 2012 Show Times: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Admission: \$8 Online | \$10 at the Door Location: 1025 Blue Ridge Road, Jim Graham Building,North Carolina State Fairgrounds,Raleigh NC 27607

The Southern Bridal Show & Expo<sup>™</sup> is a spectacular event held in the Jim Graham Building at the NC State Fairgrounds. Meet over 150 Triangle wedding experts who will inspire you. Enjoy hourly wedding fashion previews featuring the latest trends in bridal wear and tuxedo. Our bridal shows have attracted the best vendors from the entire region for over 10 years. Raleigh, Durham, Cary, Wake Forest, Chapel Hill – no matter where you are tying the knot, you will find what you are looking for at a Forever Bridal event. Pre-register and purchase tickets online at www.foreverbridal.net!

CONTACT INFO: Miriam Morton | 919-873-1700 | email | website

The Spring Mid-South Wedding Show

April 22nd 2012 Show Times: 1 PM to 5 PM Fashion Show Times: 2 PM Admission: \$12.00 Location: Whispering Woods Hotel & Conference Center, Goodman Road at Hacks Cross, Olive Branch, MS 38141

10 lucky couples will win Bachelor/Bachelorette parties from the Fox & Hound, along with thousands of dollars in additional door prizes. There will also be vendors, samples, bridal seminars, games and lots of wedding planning fun, with Kirk "The Wedding Guy" and Dingo Entertainment. Complimentary tickets will be available from local merchants, while supplies last. See our web site for locations. First 200 Brides will receive FREE Honeymoon Hotel accommodations. FREE engagement photos will be done at the show, so be sure to dress up!

CONTACT INFO: Kirk Houston | 901-368-6782 | email | website

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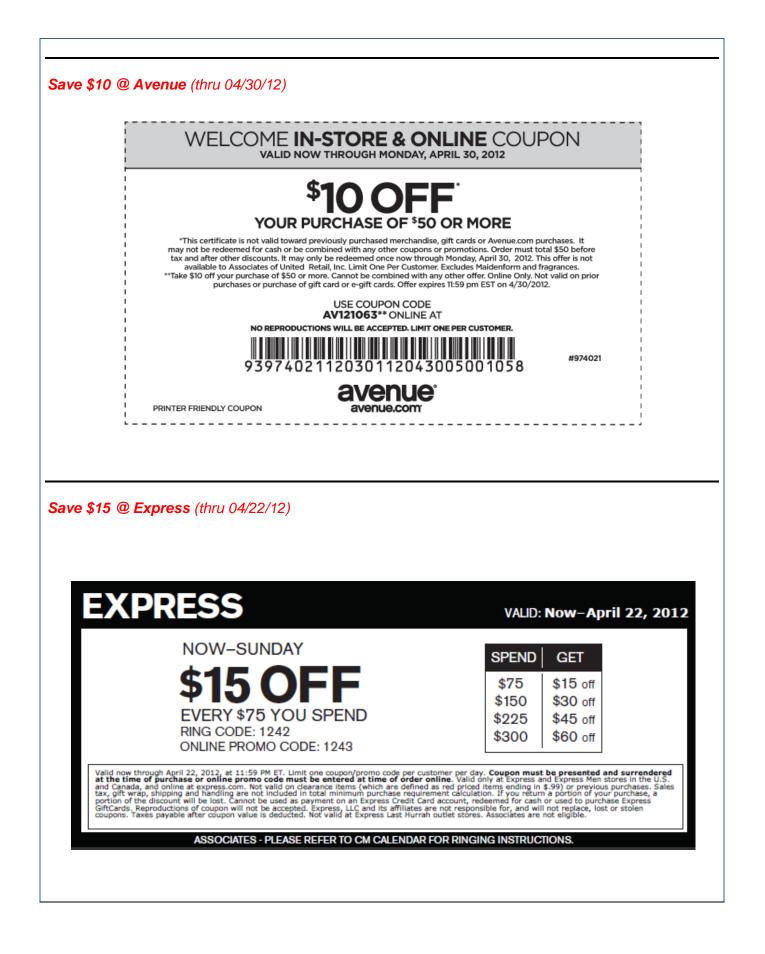
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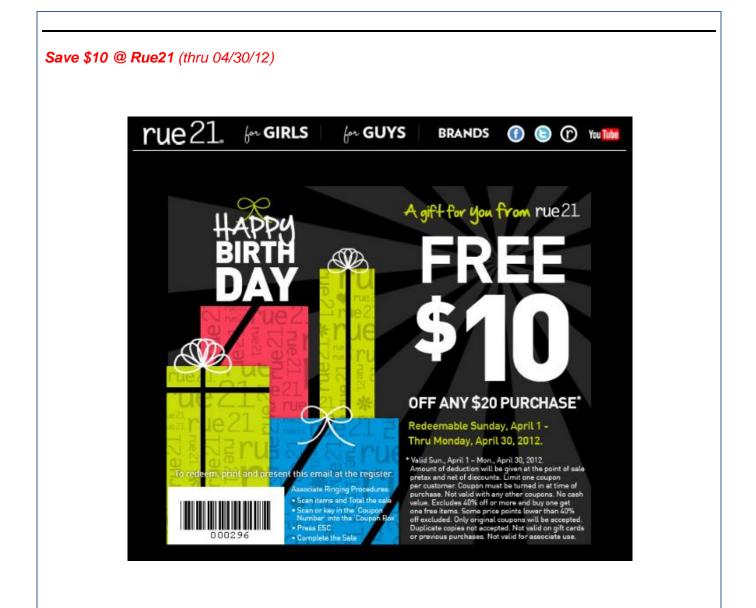
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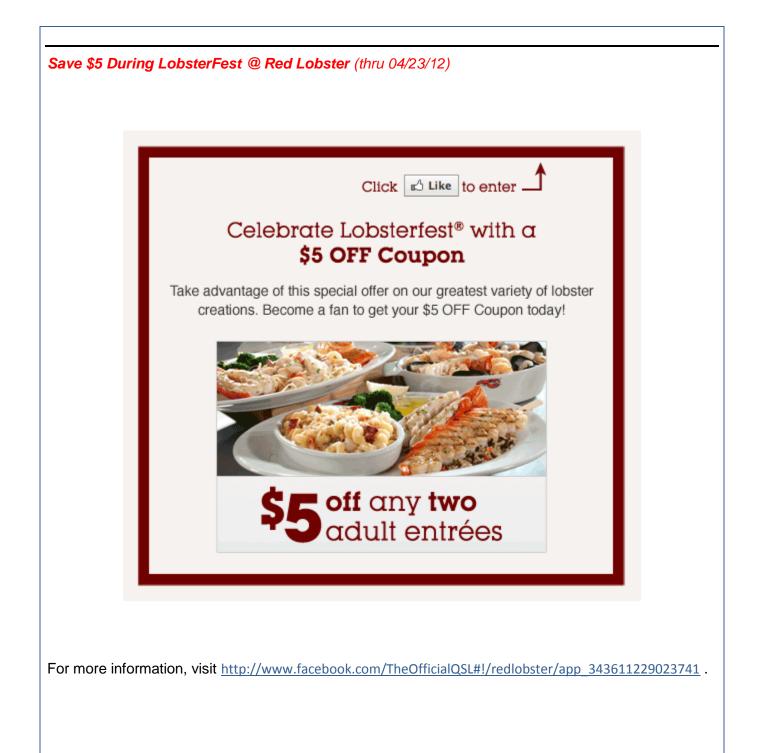
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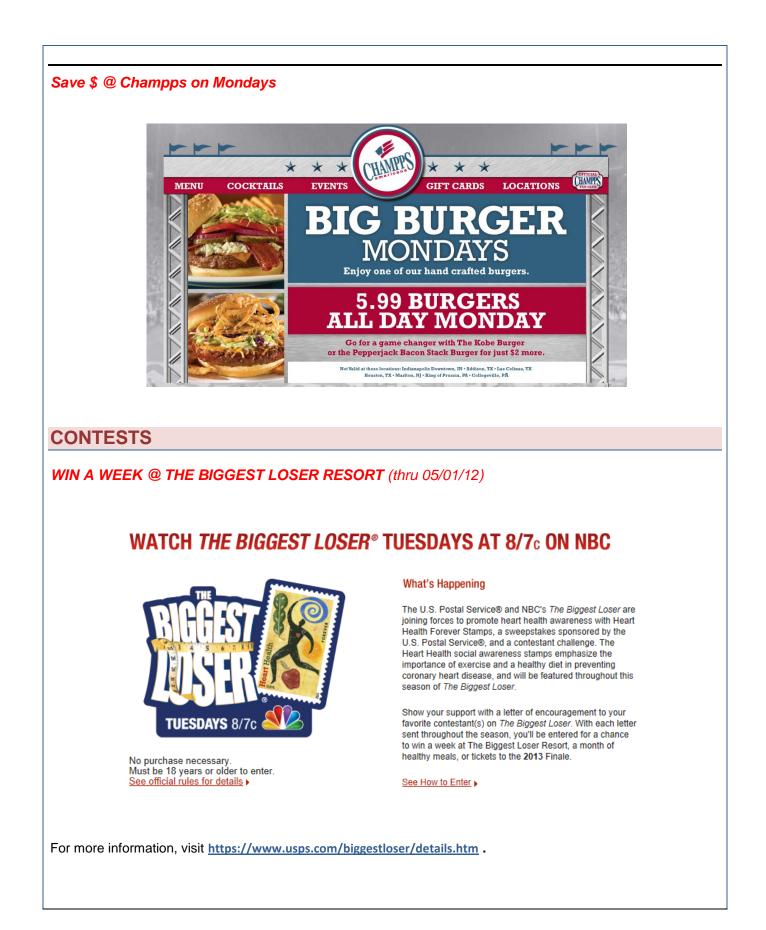
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