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DESIGN THE "SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE" AT THE 2013 LAEP DESIGN CHALLENGE ALONG WITH L.A. LUMINARIES INCLUDING LUCAS RIVERA, JOHN RABE, GABRIELA TESSIER AND OTHERS

Teams of luminaries drawn from the worlds of business, science, entertainment, education, sports, art, architecture, and other fields build three-dimensional school model

WHO: L.A. luminaries including John Rabe, Host of KPCC's *Off-Ramp*; Max Paul,Emmy Award-winning producer; Lucas Rivera, Director, *Grand Park*; Gabriela Teissier, Univision news anchor; Raul Pacheco, Musician of Grammy Award-winning Ozomatli; authors, producers, lawyers, business leaders & owners teachers and elected officials.

Other confirmed guests include: Bonnie Boswell, Award-winning reporter, producer and commentator; Jim O'Keeffe, Director,Co-producer & Cinematographer of *Go Public*; Wendy Garen, President and CEO of the Ralph M. Parsons Foundation, and many others.

WHAT 2013 DESIGN CHALLENGE "SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE"

The Design Challenge is an interactive event produced by the Los Angeles Education Partnership (LAEP) that showcases the way teachers in LAEP partner schools inspire students in class every day. It is LAEP's annual fundraiser, raising much-needed funds to support the nonprofit's work throughout the year with students in the city's high-poverty neighborhoods. During this fast-paced, fun event, attendees experience project-based learning, a creative approach to hands- on learning and teamwork. Teams of luminaries drawn from the worlds of business, science, entertainment, education, sports, art, architecture, and other fields build three-dimensional answers to an education-related question. Each team works with an identical box of materials and a limited amount of time. The competition between teams requires speed, ingenuity, and audience participation. It's fun! It's creative!

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Join us for this year's Design Challenge as the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation presents the inaugural Helen Bernstein Award for Teacher Leadership to Terri Anne Sullivan and as we honor LAEP co-founders Peggy Funkhouser and David Abe.

- WHEN: Monday, June 24, 2013 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m
- WHERE: LOT 613 Downtown Arts District 613 Imperial Street, Los Angeles, CA 90021
- **OTHER:** For more information about the Los Angeles Education Partnership (LAEP), or to interview an LAEP spokesperson, please contact Helen Kantor by calling (213) 622-5237 or via e-mail at hkantor@laep.org Visit LAEP on the web at <u>www.laep.org</u>.

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