

#### "ARE YOU READY FOR A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE?"

Hello alumni friends! We have had the pleasure of working with many of you over the years, and we want to say a huge **THANK YOU** to all of you who have helped change somebody's life by introducing them to the Up with People program.

As you may know, alumni are our number one recruiting source for new students – far outpacing even the cast tour. In fact, alumni recruits have represented <u>half</u> of all students on the road over the past few years. You have, in effect, kept the program alive and we sincerely appreciate it!

We want to share a story from Dr. Alan Mills. Alan traveled in 1992C, married an alumna (Amy Eastman, 1992C), is the proud father of two beautiful young girls and is a Professor of Music at Colorado State University—Pueblo.

Dr. Alan Mills ('92C) and his family
Alan recruited Isaiah McGregory for Cast B 2012.

Here is Alan's alumni recruiting story about Isaiah McGregory, currently traveling with Cast B 2012:

"Isaiah came to Colorado State University-Pueblo with a noticeable, sincere passion for all things in which he decides to commit himself. He was not a music major, yet rose to high levels of student leadership in my band program very quickly. He possessed a diverse background and an outlook in life filled with energy and motivation. Yet as he approached his last semester before graduation, he was not certain where he would focus his many talents.

"I had an idea. Not only did I think that Isaiah was right for the UWP program, but there is a glimmer behind his eyes that is starving for opportunities of profound growth as well as a desire to impact large groups of people in the future. I believe that his travels and experiences this semester are just the beginning for Isaiah.

"As an alum, recruiting Isaiah was not difficult - I asked the right question at the right time: "Are you ready to have a lifechanging experience?" What he didn't know at the time was that I was not only referring to his life, but all of the other lives that he will be impacting now and in the future. That is the part that he will come to find out on his own time when he fully realizes his potential."



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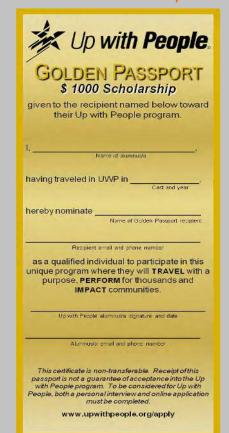
Now it's your turn: **do you know an** "Isaiah" in your neighborhood? Perhaps a student of yours, a son or daughter, a neighbor, the pizza-delivery person...?

As an Up with People alumnus, you have the added benefit of offering your recruit (s) a \$1,000 discount off their program fee – the Golden Passport (details at right). We are hoping to fill the bus in the January program, and just need a few more great students to do so. As always, we are looking for the "three M's": Men, Musicians and Minorities. In particular for January we are in need of a drummer and a keyboard player.

Thanks again for all you have done, and continue to do to spread the UWP mission – We look forward to seeing you at a future UWP reunion!

PS – Never think it's too late to recruit for the next program; on average, 25 students are recruited less than 4 months before the beginning of their program!

# Everybody knows someone who's perfect for Up with People



UWP alumni can award unlimited Golden Passports each year to students they actively recruit to travel with UWP. However, each future student can only receive one Golden Passport scholarship toward his/her program fee. All students can apply for additional scholarships through the General Scholarship Fund.

Who do you know?

<u>Click here</u> for more information on Up with People scholarships.

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Up with **People**.

every year, participating in various

community service projects,

education curriculum.

performing a dynamic musical

show and experiencing a global





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Don't forget to share Up with People with your friends and family so we can continue to spread the mission of Up with People across the world!



#### HOST MOM EXTRAORDINAIRE

Poignant. Interesting. Respect. Jawdropping. Sharing. Relationships. Connections. Caring. Diverse. Love. Family. These are all words Denver, Colorado host mother Jacquie Hall uses to describe her long-standing tradition of hosting Up with People students.

Jacquie and her family first began hosting UWP students in 1995 and have enjoyed accommodating 18 young women

from all over the world during the four-week staging events that are held in Denver every six months.

She was introduced to Up with People many years ago by a coworker and was interested in being a host family after attending her first show. Upon the cast's return trip to Denver a few months later,

Cast B 2012 Wenfei Wang, Jacquie Hall, Katie Baudler & Molly Hall

she saw an advertisement in the newspaper announcing the show, and thus began her history of hosting.

One of her favorite things to do with students is to offer them a slice of her beloved Colorado. Outdoor activities top the list and include trips to the beautiful Rocky Mountains where Jacquie takes them hiking, skiing and sightseeing. She also exposes them to the Denver area through festivals, concerts, water activities and neighborhood tours, along with introductions to her family and friends. She loves the one-on-one conversations she has with the students and is naturally curious about their family at home, their culture, talents, hopes and dreams. Sharing these stories is one of the greatest benefits the Halls have received by hosting Up with People students.

When it comes to "opening her refrigerator" to cast members, Jacquie noted, "I'm not a very good cook, but everyone has been complimentary about whatever I serve. With each student, we ask that she make at least one meal from her country, and share with us her culture, recipes and customs. It has been such fun to shop for specialty items, and now I know where to go to purchase pickled loganberries!"

Jacquie shared, "One student from Germany was telling us a museum had closed in her hometown because of lack of

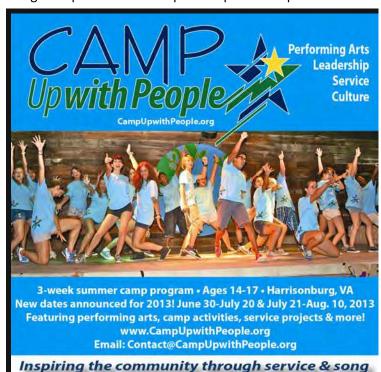
government funds. Since my career is with the United Way, my suggestion was a grassroots campaign for donations to be able to reopen the museum. We talked a lot about philanthropy, and she actually went home and made it happen! She is now working for a non-profit, and I am so proud of her."

Reminiscing about the few weeks of precious time togeth-

er, Jacquie values the ongoing relationships she has had with her "kids" and stays in close communication with all of them. The host family experience has even been reciprocal for Jacquie, as she has met and stayed with six families of the students she has hosted. In fact, she's even travelled to foreign countries on vacations with a couple of the young women that stayed with her.

This seasoned host mother would recommend the hosting experience to families willing to have a new understanding of cultures and customs, and wanting to bring the world to their doorstep. She commented, "I now have 18 girls in

my family that I wouldn't have otherwise. I've had an exposure to things I would never have learned elsewhere. And I look forward to our next hosting opportunity and continuing this special relationship with Up with People."





#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: WENFEI WANG



Name: Wenfei Wang Country: China Cast: B 2012

**Age**: 23

Up with People offers scholarship support to students like Wenfei every semester. During 2011, Up with People awarded over \$300,000 for student scholarships.

Up with People's Scholarship program is made possible with the generous support of individuals and foundations. Every gift has an impact on the life of a student, from \$10 to \$1,000. We depend on your support to run our program. Please help impact more students with your gift!

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I learned about Up with People from my mom. She read a book written by a Chinese girl who traveled in Up with People. One day she mentioned UWP to me on the phone, and I was immediately interested in it. It first appealed to me because UWP travels around the world and visits and helps different communities in several countries.

# As you prepared for the program, what were you most excited or nervous about?

The thing that I was most excited about was travelling the world. I was also very excited about host family experiences. The only thing I was nervous about was obtaining visas for different countries.

It was a book that led me to UWP, and I want to write a book to pass the torch.

# What made you decide to travel with Up with People?

Afterwards I searched for UWP on Google, and the more information I saw, the more I wanted to travel with UWP. I saw a lot of comments from people about how they grew during their experience and improved their personal skills. That's when I made up my mind to travel with UWP.

#### What goals do you have for yourself during your time with Up with People?

My goal is to get to know 20 people very well from traveling and collect their stories. I'm doing this because I want to write a book about UWP and about all that I've learned from traveling when I get home. It was a book that led me to UWP, and I want to write a book to pass the torch.



Wenfei Wang and her friends from Cast B 2012 selling merchandise during intermission at an Up with People show.



#### 65 PARTICIPANTS; 15 COUNTRIES; 1 VOICE!

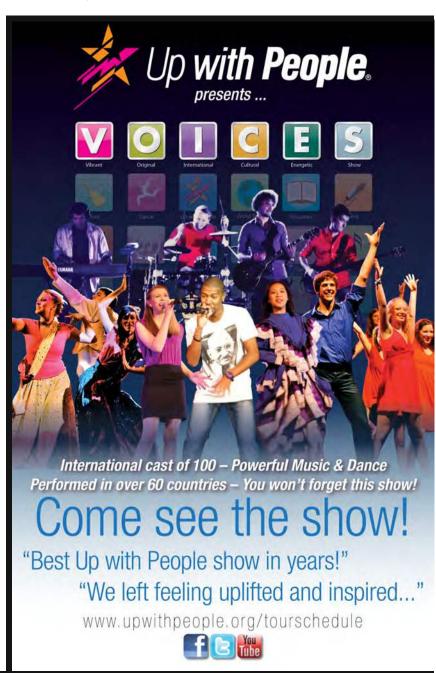
Now you're thinking this is UWP....right? Well....it is...kind of....just the next generation. This is what our program looked like this summer at **Camp Up with People**, with campers aged 13 to 17 when we performed Jai Ho at one of our public shows.



We continue to grow and the campers are having a great experience. In fact, 37% of our campers from the first year, returned this summer. We expect our two sessions to be filled to capacity in 2013, and if we happen to have a lot of interest, we might just add a third. Wouldn't that be great!?

Up with People is for life....and these young people are not only making friends from around the world, they are taking steps to become confident, aware and involved global citizens who want to make a difference. If you believe UWP had an impact on your life, encourage your sons/daughters and friends to begin this lifelong journey at Camp UWP!

For more information, please visit our website: www.CampUpwithPeople.org, where you'll find the general information, program dates and online registration. Also "Like" us on our Facebook page and share with friends.







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#### **OPENING HOMES AND HEARTS**

As we travel through Massachusetts, like in every city a cast visits, our students are impacted by and impact hundreds of people along the way. Whether it is during a community service activity, a school presentation, or the vi-

brancy and passion displayed in the new show "VOICES", people's lives are continuing to be changed in and out of the Up with People sphere.

Throughout the course of its history, one of the greatest aspects of the Up with People program has and will always be its incorporation of a host family stay. Just the idea of turning a complete unknown into a positive interpersonal connection is a gift, and it is one that keeps on giving, especially in the state of Massachusetts. Cast B 2012 has

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Members of Cast B 2012 with their host family of multiple weeks in Massachusetts

been given an interesting opportunity in the fact that many of our cities on tour are relatively close together. It only takes about thirty minutes to get from Newburyport to Hamilton, which means, why does a family need to stop hosting if they don't want to say goodbye just yet? Well they don't! Many of our Massachusetts families have come back time and again to host the same students for multiple weeks. In a program where a week stay is typical, our time

in Massachusetts has given Cast B the chance to personally know and care for our host families on a much deeper level.

What a prize! In Up with People we speak so much of the families we leave behind, or those we hope to keep in touch with, yet the ones that really stick with us are the ones we truly live with and delve into topics of faith, family, our futures. In a way it's been more like our usual stays in Denver during staging. It's a nice treat to have; to return to a family after time spent away. In

fact it's almost like coming home, and that's what the state and people of Massachusetts have given to Cast B 2012. Through our host families, we have been able to, for a brief time, call this place home, and it's a marvelous feeling.

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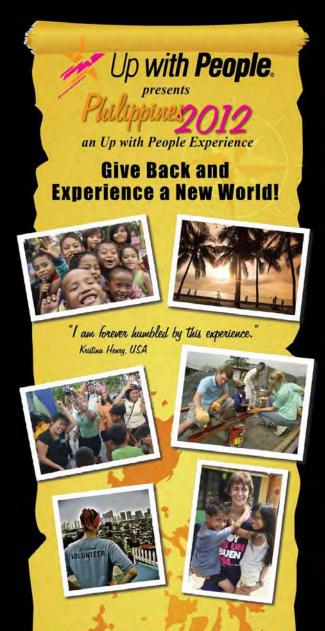
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#### We offer a unique opportunity to:

- Have an experience of a lifetime
- Be the pioneering group to join this inaugural trip
- Experience life on the road with Cast B12
- Perform the Up with People theme song with Cast B12 on stage

October 21-28, 2012

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### Philippines 2012

an Up with People Experience

Up with People is organizing a special trip to the Philippines coinciding with Cast B12's trip to the country. This unique opportunity is open to all alumni & friends of UWP. Learn about the local culture, help the community through volunteer work and interact with Cast B12.

# Get to know Up with People better while making a difference!

Up with People has had four successful visits to the Philippines from 2007 to 2011. Over the years, we have partnered with deserving community organizations in the country while doing meaningful work for thousands of Filipinos. But there is still a lot of work to be done. In a country with big social contrasts, your participation will go a long way in helping Up with People make a lasting contribution and bring people together.

The Philippines has plenty of tourist attractions in its three major islands. Participants may also wish to make trips on their own outside Manila before or after the program.

#### Participants will be provided with:

- Basic local hotel accommodations
- Transportation to and from the airport, and to and from the community service sites
- · Breakfast and lunch each day
- · Orientation and materials

#### Payment options (excluding airfare):

\$1,495 - 25% non-refundable deposit due upon registration

Participants will need to secure their own airline tickets from their home to Manila and back.

"We worked alongside the local community and absolutely fell in love with their amazing spirit, hospitality and eager-to-learn attitude."

Anno Dewon, Bangladesh

Availability is limited.
Join us!

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# Want to bring Up with People to your area? Plans for future tours are...

#### **Spring 2013**

(Tour schedules are tentative and subject to change)

USA (Florida & South East): February - March

Europe (Benelux, Germany, Denmark, Switzerland): March - April

Mexico: May - June

For more information on how to bring the cast to these regions please contact

Paul Whitaker, VP of Tours and Student Experience at pwhitaker@upwithpeople.org.

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## Be a part of the club...



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#### **CAST B 2012 TOUR SCHEDULE**

PLYMOUTH/MARSHFIELD, MA, USA

September 17-24, 2012

ERLIN/YUANLIN/TAICHUNG, TAIWAN

September 24-October 7, 2012

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

October 7-14, 2012

**PUERTO PRINCESA, PHILIPPINES** 

October 14-21, 2012

**MANILA, PHILIPPINES** 

October 21-28, 2012

MEXICO CITY, DISTRITO FEDERAL, MEXICO

October 29-November 5, 2012

TBD, MEXICO

November 5-12, 2012

CIUDAD OBREGÓN, SONORA, MEXICO

November 12-19, 2012

HERMOSILLO, SONORA, MEXICO

November 19-26, 2012

DELICIAS, CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO

November 26-December 3, 2012

CIUDAD CUAUHTEMOC, CHIHUAHUA,

**MEXICO** 

December 3-11, 2012

END OF TOUR/CAST DEPARTUTE

December 11, 2012

For up to date information on the current tour visit our website at <a href="https://www.upwithpeople.org">www.upwithpeople.org</a>!



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