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**The Mayhem Poets Return to the Dolly Hand on November 7!**

“Let’s go see a poetry show.” That is a sentence rarely proclaimed and usually responded to with cringes and excuses. The Mayhem Poets are on a mission to change that. Having been dubbed “an amazing ride” by the New York Times, this mind-boggling performance has been described as “The Simpsons meets Malcolm X at a Notorious B.I.G. concert.” These theatre-trained, comedically gifted, lyrical virtuosos seamlessly blend raw elements of hip-hop, theatre, improv and stand-up comedy to tell gut wrenching truths that leave audiences forever changed.

The Mayhem Poet's unique approach to spoken word has landed them feature spots on The Today Show and Eyewitness News after winning 1st place and a grant for \$100,000 in the Microsoft Idea Wins Challenge in 2006. Since then they've been touring internationally from legendary venues like Lincoln Center, the Apollo Theatre, and Broadway's New Victory Theatre; to hundreds of universities, locals schools of all grades, as well as group homes and correctional facilities.

The Mayhem Poets will be doing a three-day residency in Belle Glade that will include four poetry-writing workshops for Palm Beach State English classes and a poetry slam on campus. The residency will conclude with a public performance at the Dolly Hand on Thursday, November 7 at 7:00 pm. Students from Palm Beach State will be invited to share their poetry during the show! Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 for children and free for all Palm Beach State students.

The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center is located on the Belle Glade Campus of Palm Beach State College at 1977 College Drive. For tickets, call the box office at 561-993-1160 or visit [www.dollyhand.org](http://www.dollyhand.org) (service charges apply). Visit the box office in person Monday – Thursday from 9 am – 4 pm or Friday from 9 am – 12 pm to purchase with no service charge.