Media Release

Celebration for Young Entrepreneurs

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Four Colorado Business Leaders to Mentor Youth Entrepreneurs

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August 10, 2010, Denver – Four prominent Colorado business leaders are serving as Presenting Mentors for the 9th annual Celebration for Young Entrepreneurs. Celebration for Young Entrepreneurs is an annual youth business competition hosted by the nonprofit, Young Americans Center for Financial Education.

Four youth entrepreneurs will be named winners of the competition, each of whom will be paired with a Presenting Mentor. This pairing offers an exciting opportunity for both the winners and the mentors: the young winners have the chance to solicit valuable business advice from their seasoned mentors; while the mentors have the opportunity to support and encourage a next generation of business owners in Colorado.

About Celebration for Young Entrepreneurs
Celebration for Young Entrepreneurs is a business competition for 6 to 21-year-old entrepreneurs across Colorado. An independent panel of judges comprised of local businesspeople and educators reads the submitted applications and selects one winner and two finalists in each age category: 6-11, 12-14, 15-17, and 18-21. Finalists are awarded $250. Winners are awarded $1,000, in addition to being paired with a Presenting Mentor.

Winners and finalists of the competition will be honored at a dinner and awards ceremony on September 23, 2010, 6-9 pm, at Seawell Grand Ballroom in Denver.

This annual fundraiser benefits the programs of **Young Americans Center for Financial Education**, a nonprofit charity that reaches more than 45,000 youth every year through hands-on programs and real-life experiences that develop financial literacy in youth. Visit www.yacenter.org to learn more about Young AmeriTowne, International Towne, Get aHead for Business, Young Americans Bank and more.

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