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## Camden Youth to Kick-Off Coffee Shop's Open Mic

*Local coffee shop teams up with Camden nonprofit for kids open mic*

**Camden, NJ March 12, 2010:** The Treehouse Coffee Shop in Audubon will be hosting the youth of UrbanPromise as part of their open mic night this Friday from 6:30-7:30. During the month of March The Treehouse Coffee Shop is celebrating Youth Art Month by hosting a collection of artwork created by the students of UrbanPromise for their fifth annual Youth Art Month.

Students from the CamdenForward School and UrbanPromise Academy will be on stage reciting poems, singing, and sharing their artistic creations from 6:30-7:30pm.

The performances include 6<sup>th</sup> grader Kelechi Johnson who will be singing "We are One." When asked how he chose the song, Kelechi quickly answered, "because it represents family." A few students even wrote their songs and poems, and will be performing them for the first time.

The event planned at the Treehouse will be a good time for everyone to share their talents, and an exciting coming together of communities to celebrate the promise of children's creative ability.

Be a part of the experience! Check out the open mic at the Treehouse this Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-9:00pm. The coffee shop is located at 120 West Merchant Street in Audubon, NJ.

*To learn more about the work UrbanPromise is doing in Camden, New Jersey visit [www.urbanpromiseusa.org](http://www.urbanpromiseusa.org)*

**About UrbanPromise**

UrbanPromise has one clear mission, to build a city of promise, one child at a time. By equipping Camden's children and young adults with the skills necessary for academic achievement and moreover, life management, UrbanPromise has grown from a tiny summer camp program to a multifaceted institution with a reputation of solidarity and success. Among their many programs are private schools for grades k-12, after school programs, summer camps, and various other recreational and educational programs, each targeting different parts of the lives of Camden's youth. Learn more about UrbanPromise at [www.urbanpromiseusa.org](http://www.urbanpromiseusa.org)

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