



Etienne L. Carter

Hand-N-Hand New Media Fellowship/Young CEO Academy, Northern, CA
 Chairman & Founder/Executive Director of Business Development

Over thirteen years ago, Etienne “ELC” Carter wanted to find a way to do more for the youth in the community. Already an active role model, youth mentor and coach for many years, ELC was convinced that there was still a very important piece missing in the economic equation and overall empowerment model. To fill the void created by a troubled economy and a disenfranchised school system, Hand-N-Hand New Media Fellowship, was conceived in 1999. Incorporated in December of 2002, (H-n-H NMF), a California Non-Profit, is “The New Media Internship/Mentorship Education Collaboration!” After two solid years of relationship building and organizational development, H-n-H NMF has received its 501(c)(3) tax exemption status from the IRS.

With operations in the SF Bay Area and Sacramento, CA, H-n-H NMF, an organization that specializes in building bridges to higher education through developing After-School Programs, Educational Outreach, and School & University Partnerships, is poised to become the new model for “Youth Empowerment through Education and Entrepreneurship.” Etienne states that: “We are living in dynamic times, where new economic development and growth must be done on a grassroots level. It must be driven by a new approach that immerses the youth in every stage of the lifecycle.”

Hand-N-Hand New Media Fellowship programs focus on the various new media arts: music/video production and editing (including digital development and distribution), graphic arts and design, web design, digital photography, visual arts, tv/film production and editing, creative writing for public relations & media (radio, print, tv and online), corporate and entertainment event planning/production and more.

Etienne remains community centered, driven by youth empowerment issues, and possesses a tireless commitment to:

- Creating Educational Outreach Programs that facilitate School and University Partnerships.
- Forming Strategic Partnerships and Alliances within various industry segments to ensure well-rounded exposure of interns to the various avenues of creative new media development and distribution. Thus providing an open-window of continued opportunity and entry into eventual markets of employment. (Bridge Partnerships)
- Rolling out Internship/Mentorship within the scope of partner program objectives.
- After school/High school program development that foster youth oriented peer-to-peer mentoring and learning.
- Attending Conferences aimed towards the Non-Profit Sector: The Annual e-Philanthropy Conference, N-Ten Roundup, The Education & Technology Expo and others to stay abreast of all the latest news, information, and developments.
- Speaking Engagements focused on Youth Empowerment through Education, Technology, and Entrepreneurship.



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Etienne is a Certified Paraprofessional that has successfully received NCLB Compliance (“No Child Left Behind Act of 2001”) in May 2005. He also received his teaching certification as a CET (Certified Entrepreneurship Teacher) for The National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) at Stanford University 2001. NFTE is a national organization dedicated to "Teaching Youth to Build Businesses." He now acts as a Master CET (Northern California – SF Bay Area, Peninsula, Sacramento, and Yolo County) mentoring other new instructors, assisting them with entrepreneurship program training, development, and implementation. In April 2007, Hand-N-Hand New Media Fellowship through an integrated program partnership with NFTE Bay Area has launched its very own “Young CEO Academy” (Three Locations: Cordova High School, Rancho Cordova; Koinonia Community School, Loomis, CA; and Collings Teen Center, West Sacramento, CA) to teach middle school and high school youth the necessary business concepts, principles and life skills to start and successfully run their own businesses.

Historical Executive Business and Professional Summary

Over the past twenty-three years, ELC has worked for four well-respected companies in the Professional Services, Consulting, Accounting, and Legal industries, Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold; KPMG, Burr, Pilger, & Mayer; and Deloitte & Touche. In 1990, ELC effectively started, managed and has grown his own music production company: Esquire Productions, Inc. (ESQPI). In the fall of 1999, ESQPI formed a consortium called: The Entertainment New Media Consortium (TENMC). TENMC is a National Consortium of companies in the Entertainment, Education and Technology industries. TENMC is dedicated to delivering a myriad of services to its clients and the general public at large. These services will help to provide: Access to the Internet, Total Entertainment Professional Services, Distance Learning Services, New Media Development and Distribution and e-Commerce Solutions. Out of a deep love for music and the entertainment industry, Through The Vine (TTV) – www.throughthevine.com was conceived. TTV is the A&R division of ESQPI serving the major entertainment industry’s talent procurement niche-market “On-Line in Real Time.” ELC is also a former instructor of the SFSU CEL MRI Program (Recording Studio Business and Management 2004).

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