

# ADR LUNCHTIME SERIES PRESENTATION

## Transforming Conflict through Hip Hop

Hip hop is a music genre developed in the US by inner-city African Americans in the 1970s. Today hip hop music promotes constructive self-expression and healing among youth worldwide. It can stimulate dialogue and promote cross-cultural collaboration while serving as a tool for promoting peace and understanding. In this compelling and lively presentation, Professor Mark Katz and Rapper Konshens the MC discuss hip-hop's history of successful conflict resolution and transformation, including its role in their work with the State Department's Next Level international cultural exchange program.

**Speakers:** Mark Katz, Ph.D  
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Co-Director, Next Level  
Professor of Music, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Konshens the MC  
Rapper, Educator, Youth Advocate

**Presented by the Interagency ADR Working Group, Workplace Conflict Management Section in coordination with the Department of Energy's Alternative Dispute Resolution Office.**

**Date:** Thursday, October 18, 2018  
**Time:** Noon - 1:30 pm EDT *(Please allow extra time for security procedures)*  
**Location:** U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Ave, SW, Room GE-086  
(DOE Forrestal Main Auditorium)  
Washington, D.C. 20585

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