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Research in Black Culture, The New York Public  
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**THE ROGER FURMAN  
READING SERIES**

## **Punching at the Sun**

by Tanuj Chopra

Monday, June 14, 2004 at 7:00pm

Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture

2004 marks the 40th Anniversary of the New Heritage Theatre, founded by Roger Furman in 1964. In memory of Roger Furman, the Voices of Griots Play Reading Series has been renamed the Roger Furman Reading Series.



# PUNCHING AT THE SUN

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Voza Rivers, Executive Producer

Jamal Joseph, Executive Artistic Director

Joyce Joseph, Producer

Punching at the Sun is a genre defying, kung-fu-basketball, hip-hop, Bollywood-dance, fantasy art film about death, loss, teen-love, pain, redemption, sneakers and the revolution. Set against the backdrop of Elmhurst, Queens, it is the story of Mameet Nayak, a young man with a blazing crossover dribble and a temper to match.

Superimposing first generation immigrant cultures with the newer influences of American hip-hop, street basketball, urban fashion, graffiti, post 9-11 racial and ethnic politics, youth violence, and interracial relationships and antagonisms, Punching at the Sun showcases the dizzying complexity of contemporary Queens as a window into the future of the American dream.

**Monday, June 14 at 7:00pm**

**American Negro Theater**

**Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture**

**515 Malcolm X Boulevard at 135th Street, Harlem, NYC**

Complimentary admission. Seating is limited.

To RSVP, call Nicole Thompson at 212.926.2550

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