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**Student Entertainment Events Presents: The Second Annual Fall Semester Sound-Off featuring Clipse and Wale**

Student Entertainment Events and Pepsi are pleased to announce the second Annual Fall Semester Sound-Off, featuring Clipse and Wale, on Thursday, Sept. 25. Doors for the event, which is taking place in the Grand Ballroom of the Adele H. Stamp Student Union, will open at 7 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:30 p.m. with opening acts Southeast Slim and Consequence. Starting on Thursday, Sept. 11, tickets will be available at the Hoff Ticket Office in the Stamp Student Union. The show will cost \$7 with a UM ID and \$12 for the general public. Tickets will not be sold at the door and must be purchased in advance.

Clipse is a Virginia based hip-hop duo made up of brothers Malice and Pusha T, known best for hit tracks like “Grindin’,” “Ma, I Don’t Love Her” (ft. Faith Evans), and “When the Last Time.” Their musical careers began in 1993 when the dynamic brothers met Pharrell Williams, one half of the production team The Neptunes. Recognizing their talent, Williams helped them to secure a recording contract with Elektra Records in 1997.

In 1999, Clipse recorded their first album, *Exclusive Audio Impact*, and released their first single, “The Funeral.” Despite successfully generating fan interest, the album failed to make a significant commercial impact. They remained under the radar until being signed to Arista Records in 2001, once again with the help of Williams. Their second album, *Lord Willin’*, debuted at #1 on Billboard’s Top R&B/Hip-Hop Album Chart. After securing solo success, they made even greater waves by providing rhymes for Justin Timberlake’s first solo single “Like I Love You.”

Wale is a newer, but no less talented, addition to the world of hip-hop. At the young age of 23, Wale Folarin has made a name for himself with his dazzling world play and fresh sound. One of the greatest testaments to his talent is that he was featured in *The New York Times*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *The Washington Post*, *The Source*, and *Vibe*, all without a major label deal. To date, he has sold out shows in Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Philadelphia, and Atlanta.

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In 2007, Wale took the European Music Festival by storm while touring with world-famous DJ and producer Mark Ronson. Ronson, who has produced both Amy Winehouse and Lily Allen, was so impressed by Wale that he immediately signed him with Allido Records.

Opening for Wale and Clipse will be the group Southeast Slim as well as performer Consequence. Southeast Slim is made up of members Southeast Slim, C aka Mo Murda, Zo Wit No E, Big Dice, and Mean Eights. Influenced by mainly southern rappers, they emphasize providing a message through their sound as well as the importance of their words flowing rather than being merely lyrics. They have produced multiple tracks for Wale and are open to finding and producing new acts.

Consequence is a hip-hop artist from Queens, New York, and is the cousin of fellow rapper Q-Tip. He made his first official musical appearance on A Tribe Called Quest's 1993 album, *Midnight Marauders*, and continued to make appearances in their songs until the group disbanded in 1998. He made a name for himself and soon earned a deal at Elektra Records, where he caught the eye of Kanye West with his first album. After making multiple appearances in Kanye's songs, he is now working on a much-anticipated second album.

To arrange an interview or receive more press information for this event, including press passes and interview requests, please contact Kate Oliva, the Student Entertainment Events' Public Relations Director at (301)-314-8498 or via e-mail. When submitting a request include your name, press affiliation, and contact information.

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