30 VISIONARIES INVITED TO ATTEND PIONEERING 4-DAY LEADERSHIP INTENSIVE IN AUSTIN, TX

APPLICATION PROCESS NOW OPEN FOR LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEADERS

Austin-based Vision Force Academy to immerse participants in leading-edge human development curriculum for 'creating a future that works for everyone.'

AUSTIN, TX FEB 1, 2007 -- On January 8 at a meeting organized by FLOW, an Austinbased non-profit dedicated to "liberating the entrepreneurial spirit for good," a small group of local leaders gathered to discuss Austin's emerging role as a leader in entrepreneurship and social innovation. Leaders of several next-generation entrepreneurship initiatives proposed ways they could individually or collectively foster awareness of entrepreneurship in Austin.

In this spirit, The Vision Force Academy, founded by long-time Austin resident Michael Skye, aims to contribute to entrepreneurial initiative and innovation on March 21-25 when it hosts its semi-annual *Vision Force Boot Camp. Local* and global leaders committed to making a profound difference in the world are currently submitting their applications to participate in this leading-edge human development curriculum.

One such leader is Audrey Parker, an Austin resident who, when recounting her *Vision Force Boot Camp* experience, said, "My fundamental assumptions and beliefs about what is possible for myself, humanity, and the future of the planet were completely shattered--in the best and most inspiring way possible." Since the event, Ms. Parker, like many others, has broken new ground: she was trained recently by Al Gore to deliver Inconvenient Truth presentations in Austin and around the country.

Another, Michael Strong, visionary educator and FLOW co-founder echoes Ms. Parker's enthusiasm about Vision Force and the *Vision Force Boot Camp*. "I see Michael Skye's work as a key to liberating each individual's unique genius so that we all may fulfill our potential in alignment with our deepest ideals," Strong says.

Inspired in part by the vision that emerged from the January 8th meeting, Mr. Skye has, for the first time ever, decided to offer the *Vision Force Boot Camp* without the standard \$2,500 admittance fee. "I'm inspired to collaborate with other visionary leaders and to join a global movement of people dedicated to serving humanity by pursuing their unique vision. We've removed the financial barrier so that all impassioned individuals, regardless of economic status, can attend the Boot Camp," explains Skye.

Mr. Skye says that the ideal *Vision Force Boot Camp* participant has "already decided to become 'part of the solution'--regardless of sector or vocation. The only 'must' is a deep commitment to creating a better future."

Applications are due no later than February 15, 2007. Participants will pay the cost of food and lodging only. To download an application and for more information, please visit <u>http://www.visionforce.com/blog</u>

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