

Client: British Transport Police
Source: South London Press (Main)
Date: 29 September 2009
Page: 17
Circulation: 153896
Size: 238cm2
Value: 1332.8

Precise.

Anti-crime platform

YOUNG people used their own experiences of gangs on estates for a play they performed at Waterloo station.

The group of four staged the anti-knife crime work, *Boy X*, on the concourse last Tuesday to mark London Week of Peace.

The hour-long play by Tendayi Jembere, Jordan Barrett, Michael Kofi and Lee Vassell was devised with Arc Theatre, whose patron is the father of murdered teenager Stephen Lawrence.

Carole Pluckrose, Arc Theatre chief executive, said: "Our four young actors have personal experience of life on gang-dominated estates.

"They were excited about reaching out to as many passengers and passers-by as possible."

Superintendent Jim Little, from British Transport Police, said: "The performance of *Boy X* will go a long way towards educating people, young people in particular, about the consequences of carrying weapons."

The Arc Theatre is based in Barking, east London, and its patron is Neville Lawrence OBE, father of Stephen, who was murdered by a racist gang in Eltham in 1993.

Peace Week – this year held between September 20 and 27 – is a series of events held annually to bring people together.



Client: British Transport Police
Source: South London Press (Main)
Date: 29 September 2009
Page: 17
Circulation: 153896
Size: 238cm2
Value: 1332.8

Precise.



PEACE PLAY: From left, Tendayi Jembere, Jordan Barrett, Michael Kofi and Lee Vassell on the concourse of Waterloo station

d9605/C