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Heady art **With a message**



"Everything will be taken away" were the words of artist Adrian Piper's henna text applied to people's foreheads yesterday at Cooper Union, in a public art piece presented by Creative Time. Henna artist Mollie King, who applied the text yesterday to Jirrom d'Agate, above, said, "Everybody has a different take on what it means. ... Some people think it means to live fearlessly, one guy wants to break his attachment from belongings, one girl has a boyfriend who's getting married to a girl that she hates and she wants him to read it at his wedding." Henna writings will be offered today at NYU's Steinhardt Barney Building, 34 Stuyvesant St., from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. The henna, which is meant to be read in the reflection of a mirror, should last about 10 days.