

## **Do You Have a Great Business Idea and Need Funding?**

Come meet **Melinda Thomas**, the Entrepreneur in Residence (EIR) for **New York City!**

Melinda will meet with inventors one on one to help them think through their ideas and guide them along the path to company formation where appropriate. The EIR will direct start-up companies to the resources they need to get their companies going in **one of the five boroughs**.

Melinda Thomas is a seasoned entrepreneur with more than 20 years of industry experience. She was VP, Operations at CardioDx, where she took the company from day one through first product launch, with responsibility for all non-research functions. CardioDx develops and commercializes molecular based diagnostics for cardiovascular disease. It is funded by Kleiner Perkins, TPG, and MDV, among others. Prior to CardioDx, she was the first employee and VP, Operations at ParAllele Biosciences, a high through-put genotyping and SNP discovery company. It was acquired in 2005 by Affymetrix. ParAllele was funded by Versant Ventures and MDV. Melinda holds a B.S. from U.C. Berkeley and an MBA from Harvard Business School. Her career out of HBS started with Molecular Dynamics / Amersham Pharmacia where she ran the manufacturing organization.

**Melinda will be in the CCTEC office on 71st Street on:**

**Monday, Sept. 12th 2 pm – 6 pm.**

**Please contact:** Annie Cheng - [acheng@cornell.edu](mailto:acheng@cornell.edu) or 212-746-6186, to sign up for a slot.