Blackbox was created upon the premise that all gifted startup founders should have equal access to Silicon Valley resources no matter what part of the world they are from.

**Blackbox Connect** is a two week immersion program for startup founders who are based outside of the US and looking to scale globally. The founders travel to Silicon Valley and stay at the Blackbox Mansion, where they have the opportunity to live, work and collaborate with like-minded founders from around the world and participate in an intense agenda of meetings and workshops with entrepreneurs, investors, experts and executives of Silicon Valley.

This is our **5th Connect** and we're excited to be partnered with **Google for Entrepreneurs**! Through their partners from France, United Kingdom, Poland, Egypt, Korea, South Africa, Pakistan, and Israel we've selected their best startups through competitions to participate in the Summer 2013 Blackbox Connect Program, all of whom are here for an intense two weeks.

During the first week, participants will undergo an intensive workshop series on positioning and fundraising lead by **Bill Joos**, Principal of Go To Market Consulting. During the second week, participants will receive 1:1 consulting from **Arto Viitanen**, head of design at Idean (a leading global design agency dedicated to delivering the the best quality User Experience) and from **Fadi Bishara**, founder of Blackbox and techVenture with firsthand experience of building teams for over 100 early stage startups.

Throughout the two weeks, we've invited top startup founders and entrepreneurs in the Valley to come give inspirational talks to our participants. Among them include **Chad Hurley** of Youtube, **Adam Cheyer** of Siri, **Marten Mickos** of MySQL, **Victoria Ransom** of Wildfire, **Randy Reddig** of Square and **Dominik Balogh** of M.dot (accelerated by Blackbox and recently acquired by GoDaddy).

We've also invited top investors and VC's to come give talks throughout the program, including **Bill Maris** (managing partner of Google Ventures), **Sean Jacobson** (Venture Partner at Emergence Capital), **Ann Miura-Ko** (co-founding partner of Floodgate), and **Daniel Zimmerman** (partner if the Transaction Department and member of Corporate, Emerging Company and Venture Capital Practice Groups at WilmerHale).