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POET TASHA JONES



In late 2008, 4 Cast was able to attend the most beautiful spoken word/musical event ever composed. The event was "The Poet and the Soprano."

The Soprano was world renowned opera singer Angela Brown and the poet was Tasha Jones. Hearing the two forms of expression fuse together was not something seen out of a movie but more like something a movie is made about. 4 Cast was able to talk to Tasha Jones about the event and also her future plans.

The Poet and The Soprano was inspired by the opportunity, An-

Hello Beautiful to explain the Metamorphosis was ingenious and neither of us can take that credit, that was a nugget given by THE Creator.

Angela is an extraordinary talent and she knows how valuable she is to herself, to you, and her craft...working with persons who take what they do seriously, and know how to create and move fluidly is a bit of heaven on earth...

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gela told me she was fan (note: I had the same admiration) and wanted to work together in some capacity. After further communication we realized we had many of the same passions especially as it related to youth and the Arts. Forming an angle for the show came easily after understanding our passions. We then chose to focus on introducing the genres to the public as a collaboration or a couple (artistically speaking). Using

By the Grace of God, Tasha Jones is moving into International Realms with performances scheduled in Canada, London, and South Africa in early 2009...but more importantly the message will be heard by millions all across the world in 2009, so if the Star told you I was the one to watch in 2008 then in 2009 I am the one to listen to...

See more at
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Who gives you inspiration?

I have a few. My number one would be my deceased grandmother Betty Sheppard, she taught me to go for my goals no matter what! Then it is my mother Tondra Sheppard, who taught me to always be strong despite the circumstances. Also, Leslie Turner who has given me the opportunity to showcase my talents and Chasidy Howell-Essex and the LModelz team who also have had my back and would not let me give up. I love all you guys!!!!!!

What advice do you have for young girls who want to get into modeling?

If this is something you really want to do, just stay focused. It is not easy, you have to want to learn the business. I had a lot of people helping me but the same time I didn't, so I had to do a lot of things by myself. An agency would be easier to start with but I am independent, so it is harder. Also, you have to watch out for agencies too because a lot of them are scams.

Read More about these ladies at www.4CastMagazine.com



you were beautiful, fly, and important (possibly dateable), so I took a little extra time preparing myself, because I wanted you to know that I noticed. So with that being said...

Guys stop showing up for dates looking any kind of way. Find some pants and a shirt that fit. If you really want to impress her get a haircut. Take a shower. Iron your clothes and please put on your good shoes. Anything less is disrespectful.

Ladies night out? Don't expect me to look anything less than fly. If you don't dress to respect that, please do not get upset when you have to play my wing. Don't walk around with the sad face because your lack of consideration has made you feel uncomfortable and now you can't have a good time. We're already running late. NO you cannot go change. NO we cannot leave. YOU already knew I was going to be dressed. This is the absolute worst when you're going out with a group of new people. Then you reflect negatively on me, because I have to introduce you as my friend. I don't want people asking me where I got you from.

People, let's try to show a bit more consideration for our friends and acquaintances. The lengths you go through to prepare yourself is a sign of how you much you (don't) care about the people you are going to see. Do better. Some of us have reputations to uphold.

Do I really need to begin wearing a sign so people will know who I am? Clearly someone has gotten it twisted. This foolishness has got to stop! When the pretty friends come to visit, I have to get pretty. When there may be a chance that I could meet someone important, I have to look important. When flyness is in my presence, SYM will get fly. So HOW DARE YOU bring your mediocrity and substandard self around me! HOW DARE YOU insult my flyness by showing up underdressed for the occasion that is me! If I wake up and decide to get dressed to see you, it's a sign of respect. It means I noticed that



DAVID BANNER

on young people and

OBAMA

It's just the time for just young people period. I think now we have the opportunity to really voice the true opinion of the people. I think it is just as much as our responsibility to do something for the situation, as it is for Obama to do something for America. We as young Americans have to take our rightful place in our communities as we go back home, as we leave these places [Obama's Inauguration] charged up and amped up. We have to go home and do something!

David Banner in D.C.
at Inauguration events
for Barack Obama.
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MISS DE'ANA DAVIS

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On July 27, 2007 a young female was traveling on the interstate heading to a destination that no one knew of. This lady was driving slower than usual with the expression of pain and tears rolling down her face. The young lady finally made it to her destination, eyes filled with tears and breathing harder than usual as she parked her vehicle and sat on the side of an abandoned building. Continuing to ignore the phone calls she sat there

and cried until she decided to do the unthinkable. Drive her car to her apartment, get out, enter her home and grab the closest deadly utensil, go into her room, and lock the door without the intention of ever opening it back up. She finally answered one phone call, it was from her sister who lived over eight hundred miles away. With continued begging from her sister she finally grew weak and let go of the knife and fell asleep. The next morning was an even bigger nightmare for she woke up

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with the remembrance of almost taking her life the night before. After spending nearly the entire day in the deep depression she came across some news that changed her life. A local photographer had extended his special one more day. So she took a chance, packed some clothes and headed back to Jackson, MS never realizing that her life was about to take a complete turn. Over a year ago a dreamer was reborn with the determination to achieve everything the world has to offer her.

Hello world, my name is De'Ana and this is my story, just a taste of my life the unedited version. I am a 23 year old African American female that was born in Jackson, MS and raised in the small town of Terry, Ms. Being born in the south is one thing, while being born in the south and having big dreams is another. I am an aspiring writer and model. As I stated before I am from a very small town in the south. So having the entertainment industry and many writing opportunities is far-fetched. I

am hoping for chances to tell my story to the world. I am wishing every day that I may receive just one chance to make my mark. See growing up I didn't wake up early to catch the city subway. I woke up early in the morning to feed the horses. I didn't use my free time during the day running in the local park. I used my time running and gathering cows. My parents raised me on hard work and independence. All of these I use every day now. So with this entire said let me allow you, to get a little closer. My name is De'Ana and I was born with dreams.



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De'Ana is releasing a book entitled "Reality" for more information contact her at DEANAFIERCE@YAHOO.COM or myspace.com/beautifultruth7.

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