



Best Selling Author Dwayne Carter Takes the Theater Community to Uncharted Territory, with the Stage Play *Baggage Claim...it's your life, claim it!*

Baggage Claim...it's your life, claim it, is a theatrical production written, directed, and produced, by author, **Dwayne Carter** (The Best Man and Getting In2 My Shorts.) The *Baggage Claim* is a place where African American men poignantly share their life's ambitions, pain, and their journey to find peace.

Through a series of monologues *Baggage Claim* honestly and unapologetically, delves into issues that affect our community, but are often forgotten like lost luggage. The characters explore the issues of Black men and aging, self hatred, shame and acceptance, religion, health, gender identity, and stereotypes about gay men.

Dwayne Carter is a native of Atlanta, Georgia and has author two novels, *The Best Man* and *Getting In2 My Shorts* (Ishia Books). Carter's novels have been best sellers in independent book stores and a book club favorite across the country. As a testament to his life's motto, "Live life in Truth and Liberty," *Baggage Claim* is an extension of this message.

Carter was inspired to write the stage play *Baggage Claim*, to explore an alternative and under utilize vehicle to share stories of African American men. In the tradition of African Story Telling, Carter has created a set of emotionally charged, thought provoking, monologues that will showcase his craft at its best. The gay community has made overwhelmingly generous contributions to theater, but our stories are seldom told in that forum. The time is now for African American men to tell their stories from the stage and claim their baggage.

This is a play that you do not want to miss. Never before have we seen African American men on the stage so candidly, with such courage and sex appeal.

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