

# Bio for Filmmaker Dr. Greg Carter



Filmmaker Greg Carter is a native of Houston, Texas, a graduate of Texas A&M University and has produced over thirty feature films. Greg's corporate commercial clients include Lexus, Toyota and Infiniti. He also is a visiting Scholar and Professor of media at the University of Houston, Valenti school of Communications.

After studying under Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Charles Gordone, Greg Studied film at Rice's prestigious School of Visual and Dramatic Arts under Professor Brian Huberman with producer Elizabeth Avellan (Robert Rodriguez's partner at Troublemaker Studios). Recognized along with director Richard Linklater with an Institutional grant from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences for programs at the Museum of Fine Arts Houston. He served on board of directors of the Southwest Alternate Media Project (SWAMP) and is a respected SXSW Film Festival alumni. Gregory also studied screen-writing with Academy Award winning writer/producer Pamela Wallace as well as writer/directors John Lee Hancock, Bill Witliff and Tim McCanlies. His most recent feature films include *Lucky Girl*, *My B.F.F.*, *One Crazy Christmas*, *Hip Hop Family Christmas* and *Hip Hop Family Christmas Wedding*.

Greg served as Line Producer on Sundance selection *A Boy. A Girl. A Dream* (2018) starring Megan Good and Omari Hardwick which was released theatrically by Sony Entertainment/ Samuel Goldwyn and broadcast premiered on STARZ. Greg also recently line produced, *Safe Space* (2022) for the A&E Networks, Lifetime channel television. The movie was directed by Boris Kodjoe and starred Nicole Ari Parker, Drea de Matteo, Boris Kodjoe and Mackenzie Astin.

*My B.F.F.*, screened at the Urbanworld Film Festival in 2016 and the Pan African Film Festival and HBFF in Los Angeles in 2017. The movie stars newcomers Ainsley Bailey (Disney's Shake it Up); Khail Bryant (The Perfect Holiday) as well as veteran actors: Malik Yoba, Meta Golding, C. Thomas Howell, Sean Patrick Thomas and Golden Brooks. My B.F.F. is currently airing on the Aspire Network.

Mr. Carter's latest television endeavor was in the capacity of Creator and Showrunner for the dramatic television series, *5th Ward*, for the AMC Networks newest SVOD service, Allblk.tv (formerly Urban Movie Channel). 5th Ward wrapped production of Season 2 in Fall of 2019 and premiered Summer of 2020. The show is also available nationwide for streaming via Amazon Prime and Comcast's Xfinity on Demand.

*Hip Hop Family Christmas*, on which Greg served as Writer, Producer and Director premiered December 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 on VH1 to rave reviews. "Hip Hop" was lensed in Houston, Texas in 2021 and produced by Jamie Foxx and Foxxhole Entertainment along with Viacom/MTV. The movie stars Keri Hilson, Ne-Yo, Serayah, Terrance J, MC Lyte and Redman. After the success of "Hip Hop" Greg was hired to direct and produce the sequel, *Hip Hop Family Christmas Wedding* in fall of 2023. "Wedding" premiered November 30<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Greg was recently nominated at the 53<sup>rd</sup> NAACP Image Awards in February of 2022 for Producing and Writing the documentary short, *Club Matinee: Memory Builds The Monument*. He was presented the Independent Spirit Award and inducted Texas Filmmakers Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the 2006 Spindletop Film Festival at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas. Greg is represented by the William Morris Endeavor Agency and managed by Carey Nelson-Burch Leo of My Own Shingle.