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**Mike Epps, Amber Stevens West and Shamier Anderson
Star in Romantic Comedy**

LOVE JACKED

**The Runaway Romance Will be in Nationally Selected First Run Theaters
October 26**

LOS ANGELES, CA (September 7, 2018) – The romantic comedy *LOVE JACKED* from Inner City Films and Spier Films announced of the films release at the Annual Canadian Film Centre BBQ at the Toronto International Film Festival, on Sunday, September 9. The stars from the film Shamier Anderson and Demetrius Grosse were on hand leading the celebration. *LOVE JACKED* releases in nationally selected, first run theaters, Friday, October 26th.

LOVE JACKED is a runaway romantic comedy starring Mike Epps (*Richard Pryor: Is It Something I Said?*), Amber Stevens West (*Happy Together*), Demetrius Grosse (*Straight Outta Compton*), Lyriq Bent (*Acrimony*) and Shamier Anderson (*Wynonna Earp*), along with veteran stage and screen actors Marla Gibbs (*The Jeffersons*) and Keith David (*Greenleaf*). The film was written, produced and directed by African-Canadian filmmaker Alfons Adetuyi (*Jozi-H, High Chicago*).

The romantic comedy, tells the story of Maya (Amber Stevens West), a woman with artistic ambitions that has to contend with her father's (Keith David) desire for a dutiful daughter to follow in his footsteps and take over the family business. Seeking her own independence, Maya decides to travel to South Africa for inspiration, and returns home with a fiancé (Shamier Anderson), much to her father's chagrin. Comedic veteran actor, Mike Epps plays Uncle Rufus, a self-proclaimed African culture enthusiast that only makes matters worse for Maya.

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“I wanted to create a film that shows the unpredictability and natural comedy of love, says filmmaker, Adetuyi. “Romantic love, the love of a father for his children, all of these things are ripe for great storytelling. Maya’s heart is hijacked by love, in a place she least expected it. I’m thrilled to bring this film to audiences that crave content that speaks to their heart, and the opportunity to show people the side of Africa that they may never have imagined.”

The winner of the Pan African Film Festival’s Programmers Narrative Feature Award, **LOVE JACKED** was primarily shot in Cape Town, South Africa and releasing nationally in selected first run theaters Friday, October 26th. **LOVE JACKED** is rated PG-13.

Official Website: (Trailer, Stills, BTS): LoveJackedtheFilm.com
Trailer: [LOVE JACKED TRAILER](#)
Social Media: @LOVEJACKED

ABOUT INNER CITY FILMS (ICF)

INNER CITY FILMS (ICF) is an independent television and film production company headquartered in Toronto, Canada. The company specializes in international co-productions and initiated the first official Canada/South African co-production. Guided by over 20 years of experience, ICF develops and produces contemporary, innovative, groundbreaking productions for theatrical and television markets that attract major broadcasters and distributors in Canada, the U.S. and internationally. ICF productions have sold throughout the world to more than 60 countries. The company’s outstanding reputation for high-quality, award winning productions continually garners internationally recognizable talent and strong business partners.

The next film slated from Inner City Films is **DREAMS OF THE MOON**, inspired by a true story about a young African American girl who dreams of becoming an astronaut, only to discover that real Apollo astronauts are training in her small mining town. More at Innercityfilms.com.

ABOUT SPIER FILMS

Spier Films is an award-winning production and finance company with offices in Cape Town, London and Reykjavik. We create and support films which have both critical and commercial success and often work with highly respected international producers in both a servicing and co-production capacity while remaining dedicated to fostering South African talent.

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