

"LOVE JACKED SETS A NEW STANDARD FOR ROMANTIC-COMEDY"

— Mark S. Allen, ABC-TV, Sacramento



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Love Jacked

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"LOVE JACKED" AMBER STEVENS WEST SHAMIER ANDERSON LYRIQ BENT DEMETRIUS GROSSE ANGELA GIBBS NICOLE LYN KIM ROBERTS SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY MARLA GIBBS WITH MIKE EPPS AND KEITH DAVID
COSTUME DESIGNER JOANNA SYROKOMLA PRODUCTION DESIGNER MARIAN WISIAK COMPOSER STEVE LONDON FEATURING MUSIC BY FRANK FITZPATRICK MUSIC SUPERVISOR MICHAELA PERLMUTTER
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ABOUT LOVE JACKED

SYNOPSIS

Maya (Amber Stevens West) is headstrong with artistic ambitions, a strong contrast to what her father Ed (Keith David) wants: a dutiful daughter to run the family hardware store. Ed is shocked when Maya takes her assertions of independence a step further and decides to travel to Africa. While looking for inspiration, she meets Mtumbie (Demetrius Grosse), an African Casanova who sweeps her into a whirlwind romance and the two announce their engagement. When Maya's father tries to persuade her to forget Africa and return home, her resolve to go ahead with the marriage hardens until she finds Mtumbie in bed with another women. But rather than admit that her father was right, she tells her family the wedding is on. Drowning her sorrows at a small diner and looking for a way out of her situation, Maya meets pool hustler Malcom (Shamier Anderson) who is on the run from his partner Tyrell (Lyriq Bent). With Malcolm on the run and Maya trying to convince her family she is still engaged, they devise a plan to solve both their situations: Malcolm will hide out from Tyrell pretending to be Maya's African fiancé Mtumbie.

ABOUT THE PRODUCTION

LOVE JACKED is a modern rom-com with a twist: it involves a fake wedding, a fake funeral and a love triangle spanning two continents: North America and Africa, directed by **Alfons Adetuyi** (*High Chicago, Jozi-H, Ekhaya*) and written by **Robert Adetuyi** (*Stomp the Yard, Code Name: The Cleaner and Turn It Up*).

The film boasts a formidable multi-generational ensemble cast, featuring **Amber Stevens West** (*Happy Together, The Carmichael Show, 22 Jump Street*) **Shamier Anderson** (*Labyrinth, Across The Line, Race and Pitch*) **Keith David** (*Greenleaf, Barbershop, Crash*) **Mike Epps** (*The Hangover, Meet The Black, Talk To Me*) **Lyriq Bent** (*Nappily Ever After, She's Gotta Have It, The Book of Negroes*), **Angela Gibbs** (*Black Jesus, The Fosters, Girl United*) **Demetrius Grosse** (*Numbers, Straight Outta Compton, Saving Mr. Banks*) **Nicole Lyn** (*The L Word, Student Body*) and the legendary **Marla Gibbs** (*The Jeffersons, Checking In and 227*).

After an incredible international festival run and limited engagement screenings the film has garnered numerous awards - winner of the Pan African Film Festival's Programmers Narrative Feature Award, Best feature Roxbury festival, Healthy Planet Audience Award and has recently been nominated for *Best Diaspora feature from the Africa Movie Academy (AMAA)*.

PRODUCTION LINKS:

- [Official Trailer](#)
- [Audience Reactions](#)
- [Love Jacked Cast: Amber Stevens West, Shamier Anderson, Keith David, Mike Epps, Marla Gibbs, Angela Gibbs, Lyriq Bent, Demetrius Grosse, Nicole Lyn](#)
- [Director: Alfons Adetuyi](#)

PRESS & INTERVIEWS:

- [BlackFilm.com Alfons Adetuyi TOP 30 Directors of 2018](#)
- [Reely DOPE: Directing Black Love with Alfons Adetuyi](#)
- [The Griot: 'Love Jacked' Interview with Cast](#)
- [BlackGirlNerds: 10 Things You May Not Know About 'Love Jacked'](#)
- [Brief Take: Amber Stevens West on 'Happy Together' and 'Love Jacked'](#)
- [Blackfilm.com: Shamier Anderson on 'Love Jacked'](#)
- [RudBoyy| BigBoyTV: Mike Epps on 'Love Jacked'](#)
- [JAZZ WCLK| UPFRONT: Love Jacked Cast/Director Interviews](#)
- [UP CBS 46 | WGCL-TV: Atlanta – Interview with Love Jacked Cast/Director](#)

PRODUCTION SUMMARY

TITLE: LOVE JACKED

GENRE: Romantic Comedy, Color | RED-HD | 95 minutes | English | Rated PG-13

LOG LINE: Maya, has artistic ambitions - her father wants a dutiful daughter to run the family store. Taking her independence, a step further, Maya decides to travel to Africa for inspiration and returns with a fiancé who is not quite what he seems.

DIRECTOR: Alfons Adetuyi (High Chicago, Jozi H and Ekhaya: A Family Chronicle)

WRITERS: Robert Adetuyi (Stomp the Yard, The Cleaner and Turn It Up); and Linda Eskeland

PRODUCERS: Alfons Adetuyi, Inner City Films (Beat the World, Ganesh: Boy Wonder and Jozi-H); and Michael Auret, Spier Films (Of Good Report, The Salvation, U-Carmen)

EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS: Cora Tonno, Mike Epps, Fred Fuchs, Robert Adetuyi, Lwazi Manzi & Horace Rayner

KEY CAST:

Amber Stevens West (22 Jump Street, Ghosted, The Carmichael Show and Happy Together)

Shamier Anderson (Labyrinth, Across the Line, Race and Pitch)

Keith David (Greenleaf, Barbershop and Night School)

Michael Epps (The Hangover, Meet the Black and Talk to Me)

Lyriq Bent (She's Gotta Have It, The Book of Negroes and Acrimony)

Marla Gibbs (The Jeffersons, Checking In and 227)

Angela Gibbs (Black Jesus, The Fosters and Girl United)

Demetrius Grosse (Numbers, Straight Outta Compton and Saving Mr. Banks)

Nicole Lyn (The L Word, Student Body, co-host and DJ MTV2's Hip Hop Squares)

KEY CREW:

Cinematographer: Lance Gewer (Happiness is a 4 Letter Word and Tsotsi "Academy Award Best Foreign Film")

Production Designer: Marian Wihak (Good Witch, Hello It's Me and The Skyjacker's Tale)

Editor: Lisa Di Michele (Trouble Sleeping, High Chicago and Ganesh: Boy Wonder)

Composer: Steve London (Stickman, Born to Be Blue and That Beautiful Somewhere)

Songs by: Frank Fitzpatrick Music (Family Man, Urban Roots and Beat the World)

COMPLETE CAST & CREW CREDITS: On [IMDB](#)

PRODUCTION PARTNERS: Inner City Films (Toronto) and Spier Films (South Africa)

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.

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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