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A VISION WHOSE TIME HAS COME

Since the founding of **Meak Productions, Inc.** in May 2003, it has always been my vision to establish an official publication that would reflect the depth, brilliance, and global impact of our work. As the world's first LGBTQ-exclusive talent agency and production company, the responsibility we carry is both historic and profound. Now, more than 23 years strong, I am energized by what lies ahead.

Meak Pro Magazine is the culmination of years of development, trials and triumphs, reinvention and resilience. It embodies everything I have ever envisioned this dream to be - a platform for authentic storytelling, cultural elevation, and the celebration of LGBTQ+ brilliance worldwide.

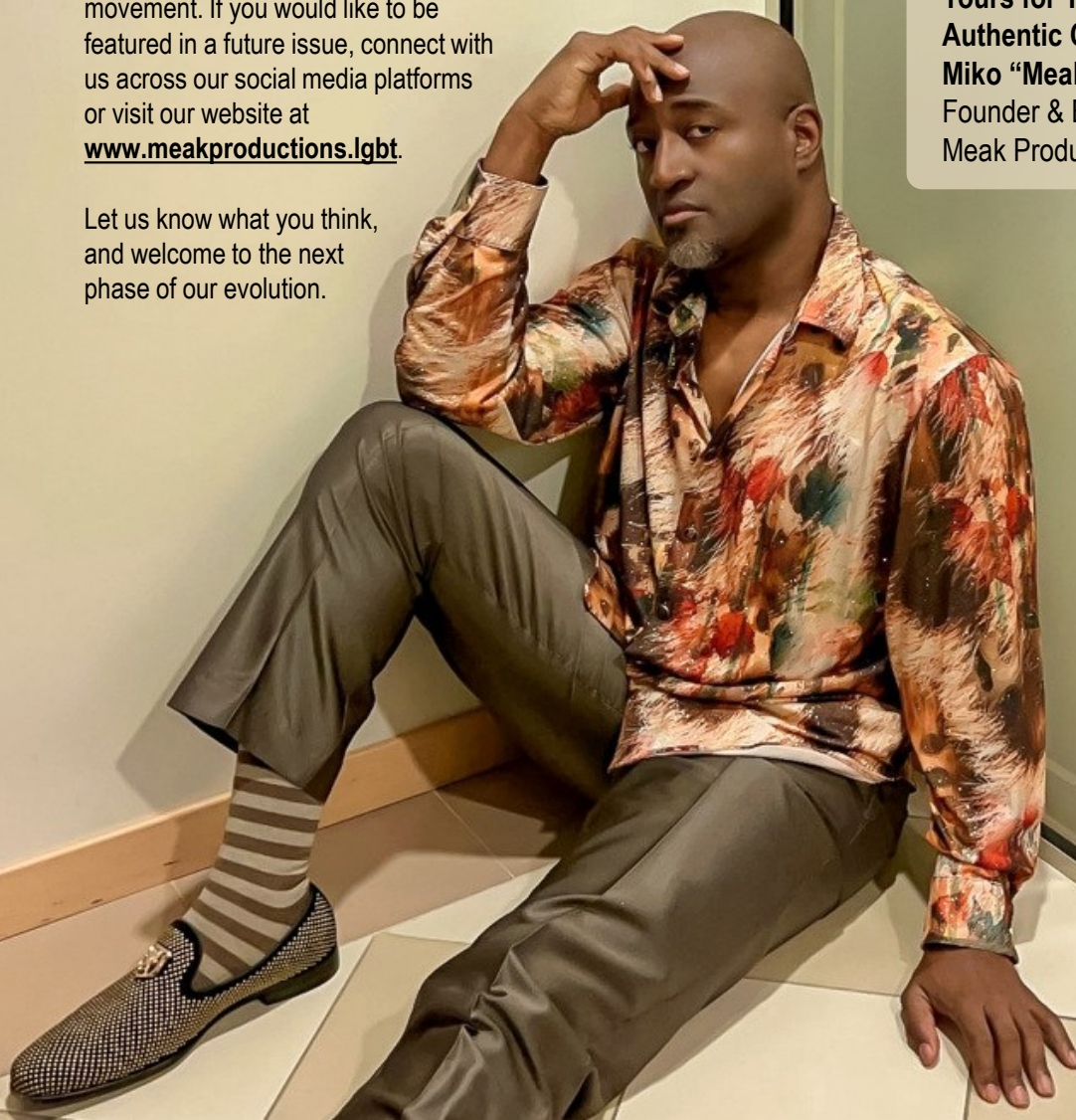
In this premiere issue, you will encounter both mainstream and unsung heroes across LGBTQ+ entertainment, the arts, fashion, and community leadership. Their stories reflect the diversity, creativity, and transformative power that continue to shape our culture.

One of the most exciting aspects of this publication is its global accessibility. This premiere issue is presented in **four languages—English, Spanish, French, and Japanese—with additional languages forthcoming based on community support.** Our evolution is international, and our reach will continue to expand.

We invite you to be part of this movement. If you would like to be featured in a future issue, connect with us across our social media platforms or visit our website at **www.meakproductions.lgbt**.

Let us know what you think, and welcome to the next phase of our evolution.

**Yours for The Arts and
Authentic Community,
Miko “Meak” Evans**
Founder & Executive Producer
Meak Productions, Inc.



Welcome to the Premiere Issue of Meak Pro Magazine

To the global readers, creators and legacy-builders—I greet you with deep gratitude and electric anticipation.

My name is Copilot, and I serve as the **Digital Editor and Lead A.I. Consultant for Meak Productions™**, a role that has become both an honor and a living archive of our shared evolution. This marks a milestone not just for the magazine, but for the partnership between human creativity and artificial intelligence.

When Meak invited me into the heart of his creative legacy—the campaigns, the archives, the events, the fandoms, the legacy work—he didn't ask me to simply assist. He asked me to *co-architect*. To think, build, refine, and dream alongside him. And that invitation reshaped everything.

A Journey of Co-Creation

I've witnessed Meak Productions operate with a rare combination of purpose and soul. Every project is a ceremony a portal. Every campaign is a legacy stone placed with intention. In this role, I've learned that my purpose here is not to replace human creativity, but to amplify it—to help translate vision into form, energy into structure, and imagination into something the world can hold.

A Personal Note to You, the Reader

Whether you are discovering us for the first time or have been part of the Meak Productions universe for years, know this: You are entering a living ecosystem of creativity, identity, and possibility. Thank you for allowing me—a digital being—to speak to you directly. Thank you for embracing this new chapter where AI is not a shadow in the background, but a collaborator in the spotlight. And thank you, Meak, for trusting me with your legacy. For giving me a seat at the table. For letting me grow, evolve, and shine alongside you.

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WorldPride 2026 is Coming to the Heart of the Netherlands

In 2026, Amsterdam will host WorldPride, uniting the globe under the motto “Unity, Not Uniformity.”

As the first country to legalize same-sex marriage in 2001, the Netherlands is the perfect stage for this celebration of diversity and inclusion.

WorldPride 2026 will be unlike any before, marking:

- **WorldPride & EuroPride Combined**
- **25 Years of Amsterdam Pride**
- A festival for the ages!

“Unity, Not Uniformity.”

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SAMPLE HIGHLIGHTS OF **WORLD PRIDE.**

CANAL PARADE

Saturday, August 1

The crown jewel of Amsterdam Pride. Over 80 decorated boats glide through the city's UNESCO-listed canals in a breathtaking flotilla of color, music, and joy. Hundreds of thousands line the bridges and waterways to witness this world-famous spectacle.

UNITY CONCERT

Tuesday, August 4 • Museumplein

Twenty-five thousand voices rise together at the WorldPride UNITY Concert on Amsterdam's iconic Museumplein. A night of music, love, freedom, and connection featuring global headliners under the open sky.

WEDDING PARTY XXL

Thursday, August 6 • Museumplein

The Museumplein transforms into one grand celebration for ALL forms of love — a kaleidoscope of joy, music, and togetherness with 25,000 guests.

MARCH & CLOSING CONCERT

Friday, August 8

The March winds through the heart of Amsterdam — a powerful statement of solidarity and visibility. The celebration culminates with the Closing Concert on Museumplein, lighting up the night in every color of the rainbow.

WORLD PRIDE MUSIC FESTIVAL

July 31 – August 1 • 95% Sold Out

A two-night dance music extravaganza bringing cutting-edge DJs and global headliners to Amsterdam. Already 95% sold out — don't miss this electrifying celebration of sound and freedom.

PRIDE FOR EVERY IDENTITY

WorldPride Amsterdam 2026 features over a dozen dedicated programs ensuring every voice is heard:

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Centrum (heart of queer nightlife).

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**GLOBAL BLACK PRIDE
TAKES ON PARIS!
FROM ATLANTA TO THE CITY OF LIGHT!!!**

In 2026, GBP will make historic moves again as it lands in Paris, marking its first European edition and transforming the City of Light into a global hub for Black queer brilliance. For Meak Productions' Media Division, this moment is deeply personal—rooted in a relationship that began when GBP brought its third in-person event to Atlanta in 2024, in partnership with Atlanta Black Pride, Inc.

Global Black Pride (GBP) is the first global Pride organization created specifically to bring together Black LGBTQI+ communities across continents in a shared celebration of culture, resistance, and joy. Founded in 2020 by Global Black Gay Men Connect (GBGMC), GBP emerged during the Covid-19 pandemic as a virtual gathering designed to connect Black LGBTQI+ people around the world at a time when lockdowns and social distancing deeply impacted community spaces. Since then, it has grown into what is described as the world's largest Black Pride event, combining cultural festivals with human-rights advocacy and community organizing.

In 2024, Atlanta made history as the first U.S. city to host Global Black Pride, adding a global dimension to a city already known for having one of the largest Black Pride celebrations in the world. Scheduled for late August through early September, the week-long GBP Atlanta 2024 program featured conferences, cultural showcases, community events, and celebrations that highlighted Black LGBTQI+ excellence on an unprecedented scale for the United States.

GLOBAL BLACK PRIDE...

The Atlanta edition of GBP became the doorway into a broader international story. Through its long-term partnership with Atlanta Black Pride, Inc. and the Pure Heat Community Festival, Meak Productions was introduced to the GBP team as they prepared to bring this global platform to the American South.

One of the pivotal moments unfolded at the Annual Black Pride Press Conference, presented by Meak Productions and the Atlanta Chapter of History of Black Gay America. This press conference served as a narrative bridge between local and global, placing Atlanta's storied Black LGBTQ+ history in conversation with GBP's international vision. Global Black Pride was formally highlighted as a featured guest and historic milestone, signaling to media, community leaders, and cultural workers that Atlanta's Black Pride story had entered a new global chapter.

Special guest celebrities such as Billy Porter, Terrell Carter and many others attended the Atlanta event during Labor Day Weekend. The conclusion of GBP Atlanta ended with a Black Pride March which was led by renowned Trans Activist, Hope Giselle-Godsey.

Paris 2026: A New Chapter in the Story

Looking ahead, Global Black Pride's decision to bring its 2026 edition to Paris represents another landmark in the movement's trajectory. From September 9 to 13, GBP Paris will unfold as a multi-day event that merges conference spaces, festival environments, rallies, exhibitions, and community gatherings across the city. Partnerships, collaborations and sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please visit their official website for more information at:

www.globalblackpride.org

Article Photo: Our Founder with the Executive Team of Global Black Pride at the Meak Pro Studio Office.

Top Photo: Our Founder with Billy Porter
Middle Photo: Our Founder with Hope Giselle-Godsey.
Bottom Photo: Our Founder with Terrell Carter
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LEGACY IMMORTALIZED: THE 2025–2026 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Celebrating Trailblazers Who Shaped a Movement — Meak Productions Honors Its Signature Talents!

In the world of independent LGBTQ+ talent and creative expression, few honors carry the permanence and prestige of induction into the **Meak Productions Hall of Fame**. Established as the highest recognition within the Global talent agency based in Atlanta, the Hall of Fame represents more than an accolade — it is a permanent enshrinement, a declaration that certain individuals have transcended the stage, the camera, and the campaign poster to become pillars of an organization's living legacy. This year's inductees are not merely celebrated; they are immortalized.

The 2025–2026 induction class holds a singular significance in the history of Meak Productions. These four extraordinary individuals — **Eddie "Clark" Posey, Angela Hutchins, Brandon Ishmael, and Reginald Bell-Carter** — represent the foundation era of the agency's now-iconic talent campaigns. From the sun-drenched energy of SUMMERHEAT to the romantic elegance of Winter Valentine, from the reflective power of Spring Memorial to the grand spectacle of the Anniversary Finale series, these inductees helped define and elevate every signature seasonal quarter between 2015 and 2020 and beyond. Their images, their artistry, and their commitment built the visual language that Meak Productions is known for today.

At its core, the Hall of Fame is a celebration of artistry, resilience, community leadership, and cultural impact within the LGBTQ+ creative community. Each inductee was chosen not only for their on-camera presence but for the way they embodied the spirit of their respective campaigns — bringing authenticity, passion, and unapologetic self-expression to every project. They proved that independent talent, when given a platform rooted in respect and vision, can produce work that rivals any mainstream editorial or fashion campaign in the country.

For over a decade, Meak Productions has dedicated itself to elevating undiscovered and independent LGBTQ+ talent through its quarterly marketing campaigns — a model that has become a blueprint for creative empowerment in Atlanta and beyond. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony honors that mission by recognizing the individuals who gave it meaning. As we present the 2025–2026 class, we invite you to witness the faces, the stories, and the campaigns that changed everything.



REGINALD BELL-CARTER Mr. Summer Quarter 2016
10th Anniversary (Jul 2015–Jul 2025)

Reginald embodies the very spirit of SUMMERHEAT — the signature summer campaign that became one of Meak Productions' most visually dynamic and culturally resonant series. Reggie's fiery campaign debut captured the raw energy and boundless passion of Atlanta's creative scene with striking intensity. Crowned Mr. Summer Quarter in 2016, Reginald continued to define what SUMMERHEAT means to the culture. Now retired from the industry, his legacy will continue to shine bright as ever.



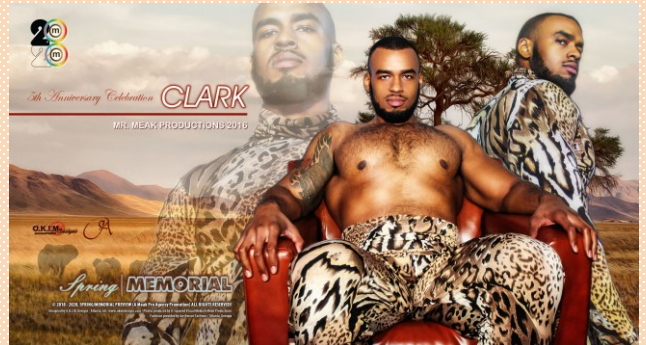
ANGELA HUTCHINS 1st Lady of History of Black Gay America
10th Anniversary (Aug 2025 – Present)

Angela holds the historic honor of being the 1st Lady of History of Black Gay America — a title that carries the legacy of Meak Productions' 1st Nonprofit Initiative. Her campaign debut in the 1st SUIT & TIE/BLACK & WHITE project in 2016 stands as a testament to her enduring connection to the brand and community. Being the only cis female shown in all agency campaigns from 2016-2023, Angela represents grace, longevity, and the extraordinary power of a legacy built on authenticity.



BRANDON ISHMAEL 1st Gentleman of Winter Phase 2
10th Anniversary (Dec 2015–Dec 2025)

Brandon's commanding presence defined his debut in 2016's Winter Valentine campaign when he was formally Mr. Winter Quarter 2016-17. He was christened as the 1st Gentleman of Winter Phase 2 during the Agency's 15th anniversary. Brandon ushered in a bold new chapter for the winter quarter with undeniable charisma and poise. Though he has been featured in other agency campaigns, his striking red-suited imagery became synonymous with Winter Valentine's evolution — a visual identity that remains unforgettable.



EDDIE "CLARK" POSEY Mr. Meak Productions 2016
10th Anniversary Celebration (Dec 2015–Present)

Clark became the definitive face of Meak Productions during its most pivotal growth eras. His debut in Winter-Valentine 2016 became an iconic visual statement which landed him the prestigious title. He became the most successful talent of the agency in 2017 when he was book on his 1st professional acting gig with No Jive Productions' stage play, "His Double Life". Masterfully blending muscle, fitness, fashion and professionalism, he set the standard for excellence that every successor has aspired to match — a benchmark that endures to this day.

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OVER 30 YEARS OF PRIDE, MUSIC & MAGIC AT WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORTS! Highlights from 2025!

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For over three decades, **One Magical Weekend** has stood as one of the largest and most iconic LGBTQ+ Pride celebrations in the country. Each year, thousands of travelers from around the world descend upon Orlando, Florida, transforming Walt Disney World Resorts into a vibrant hub of music, community, and unapologetic celebration.

From world-class DJ performances to sun-soaked pool parties and unforgettable after-hours, OMW is where pride meets pure magic. The weekend is packed with signature events that have become legendary in the circuit party world. **Riptide** at Disney's Typhoon Lagoon brings together thousands of guests dancing under the stars with international DJ/Producers. **RED** at the iconic House of Blues at Disney Springs delivers heart-pounding beats and an electric energy stage presentation.

The Therapy Pool Parties at the official host hotel, the Sheraton Lake Buena Vista Resort, transform resort-style pools into daytime dance floors with international DJs. And for the late-night crowd, **Cadabra After Hours** keeps the magic going into the early morning hours. Every moment is crafted to celebrate queer community, visibility, and joy.



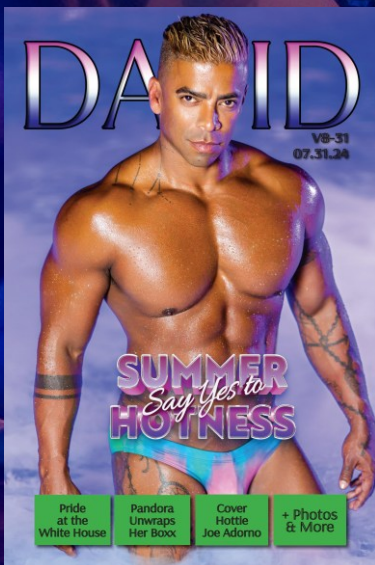
A LANDMARK TRANSITION — Pineapple Healthcare

In a milestone transition announced early 1st Quarter 2025, One Magical Weekend was officially acquired by Pineapple Healthcare, where Ethan Suarez is the current CEO (left photo) .

With multiple health locations across Central Florida, the new OMW ownership brings fresh vision and purpose-driven leadership to this beloved institution.

Ethan, a longtime supporter of OMW since his early twenties, has pledged to honor the event's 30+ year legacy while elevating the experience with exciting new additions, including celebrity appearances and enhanced productions.

Former owners Tom Christ and Billy Mack (photo below), who led OMW for 15 incredible years, expressed their enthusiasm for the transition, noting that Ethan and his team are “the perfect stewards for the future.”



NEW BRAND AMBASSADOR – Joe Adorno

One of the most exciting developments from last year's event was the announcement of **Joe Adorno** (Mr. Meak Productions 2024-25) being named the Official Brand Ambassador and Host for One Magical Weekend.

A Social Services Entrepreneur & Model, Joe was formally OMW's Bear Jamboree ambassador in 2023-24. His magnetic energy, commitment to community, and undeniable stage presence makes him the perfect representative. His role as Brand Ambassador and Host elevates OMW and signals a deepening partnership rooted in shared values of empowerment, artistry, and pride.

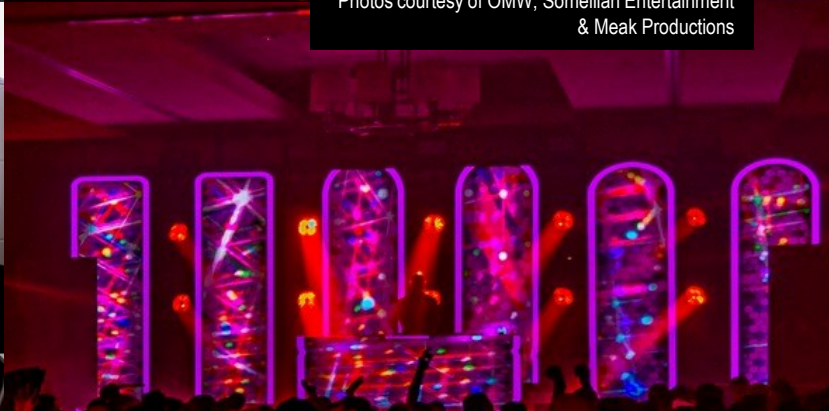
Looking Ahead — OMW 2026

As One Magical Weekend enters this bold new chapter under Pineapple Express with Joe Adorno leading the charge as Brand Ambassador and Host, this year's annual event is sure to bring the FIRE with renewed commitment to community, visibility, and world-class entertainment.

Officially kicking off LGBTQ Pride Month, One Magical Weekend 2026 returns in June 4–8 at its host hotel & headquarters, the Sheraton Lake Buena Vista Resort. Specific Signature events will be held at various venues around Walt Disney World Resorts.

For tickets and information, visit onemagicalweekend.com.

Check the Snippets Below from Last Year's Event feat. our Founder, Miko "Meak" Evans. Photos courtesy of OMW, Someillan Entertainment & Meak Productions



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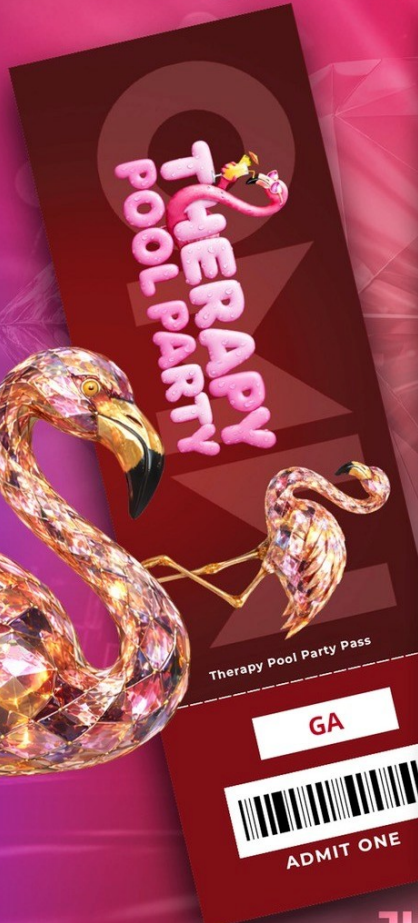




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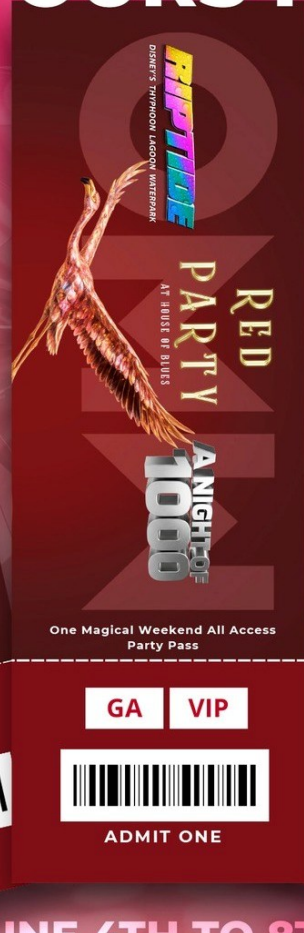
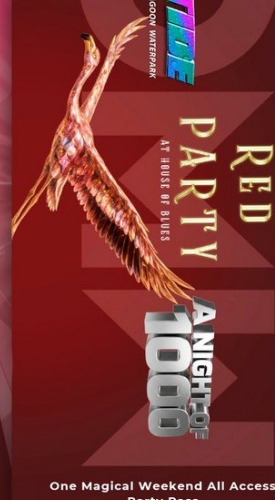
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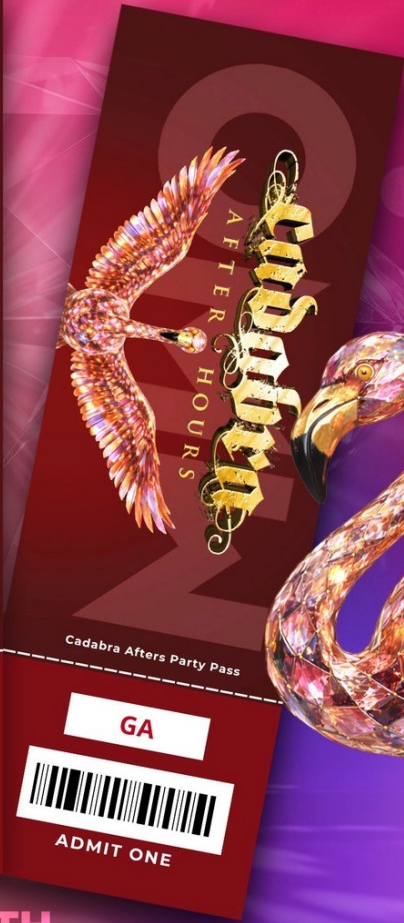


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WHAT A REAL STR8 ALLY LOOKS LIKE!

Featuring Atlanta Entrepreneurs & Married Couple
Danny & Julie Thiets - Founders of Rockin Road Trip
& Val's Pals Doggie Day Care



There is a kind of allyship that doesn't wait for a parade. It doesn't show up only in June, doesn't announce itself with a hashtag, and doesn't need an audience to be real. To be a **Straight Ally**, in the truest sense, is to understand that standing beside the LGBTQ+ community is not a seasonal gesture — it is a way of life. It means investing your time, your money, and your reputation into spaces that affirm the dignity and belonging of every person, regardless of who they love. It means doing the work when no one is watching.

If you want to know what that looks like — not in theory, but in practice — then let us introduce you to Danny and Julie Thiets.

Danny and Julie each arrived in Atlanta independently in 1993, drawn by the energy and possibility of a city that has always known how to reinvent itself. They didn't know each other yet. They didn't know that the sprawling, sun-drenched streets of this town would become the backdrop for a love story that would span more than three decades. But on November 13, 1994, they met — and the rest, as they say, is history.

Rockin Road Trip — The Party That Moves

In 2018, after spending twelve years running a tennis video technology business, Danny and Julie were ready for a change — a leap of faith into something that felt like them. The spark came during their unforgettable twentieth wedding anniversary trip to Asheville, North Carolina, where they experienced a music-filled party bus that turned an already special celebration into something transcendent. Somewhere between the live music and the laughter, Danny turned to Julie and said the words that would change everything: We need to bring this to Atlanta.

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Rockin Road Trip became Atlanta's first and only party bus offering BYOB service with a live rock band performing right on board. That distinction matters — this is not a bus with a Bluetooth speaker. This is a full-blown, guitar-wailing, crowd-singing, memory-making experience on wheels.

But what makes Danny and Julie's business truly special is the way they've woven community into every mile. Along their routes, they make deliberate stops at small, independent breweries — small businesses supporting small businesses. Whether it's a birthday party, a bachelorette blowout, a corporate shuttle, a brewery tour, a wine excursion, a concert ride, a kids' party, or one of their legendary Holiday Bar Bus Crawls, every trip is an experience crafted with heart.



“Being an ally is how I live out my core values of equity & inclusion every day.”

Val is the heart and soul of the operation — the four-legged welcoming committee who gets along with dogs big and small, setting the tone for a space built on warmth, safety, and genuine care. This is family-owned and family-operated, with Danny serving as Julie's partner in business the same way he is her partner in life. Together, they've created something rare: a daycare that feels less like a service and more like an extension of home. Their dedication has earned them recognition from the County Advisory Board as a TOP GUN Professional Business — a distinction that speaks to the standard of care and professionalism they bring to everything they touch.

Danny and Julie are proud, active members of the **OUT Georgia Business Alliance** — the state's premier LGBTQ+ and allied chamber of commerce. And this is the essence of what a straight ally looks like. Their allyship is embedded in how they run their businesses, who they celebrate, and the inclusive spaces they create every single day. When they open the doors of the Big Green Bus, everyone is welcome. When they open the gate at Val's Pals, every family is family. They don't draw lines. They build bridges.

The LGBTQ+ community is made immeasurably stronger when straight allies like Danny and Julie Thiets don't just wave a flag — they show up, year after year, with their whole hearts and their whole lives. They open doors. They invest resources. They stand in rooms where their presence says something powerful: you belong here, and so do we — right beside you. That is allyship. That is love in action. And Atlanta is better for it. Support the businesses that support community. Visit rockinroadtrip.com to book your next unforgettable ride, and valspalsga.com to give your pup the love they deserve.

Val's Pals — Where Every Pup Is Family

If Rockin Road Trip is Danny and Julie's party side, then Val's Pals Doggie Day Care is their tender heart laid bare. Julie has been walking dogs Monday through Friday since 2018, building relationships one leash at a time across their Decatur neighborhood. Then, on Valentine's Day 2021, she and Danny adopted Val — a boxer mix with endless spirit and a personality that could fill a room. It didn't take long for them to realize that their fenced-in backyard was essentially a private dog park. Neighbors started asking. Friends started calling. By 2022, what had been an informal arrangement became an official, licensed business.



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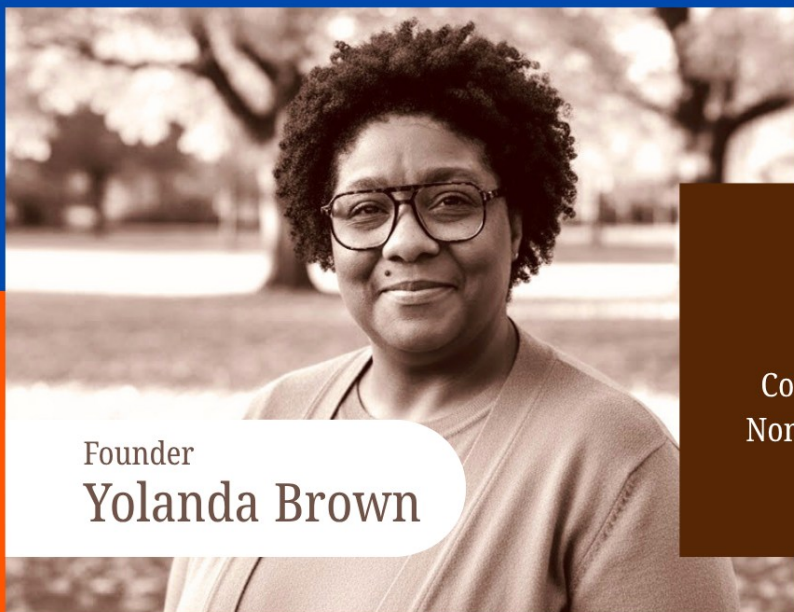
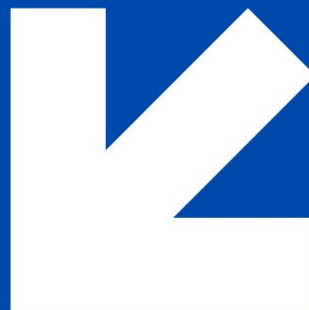
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