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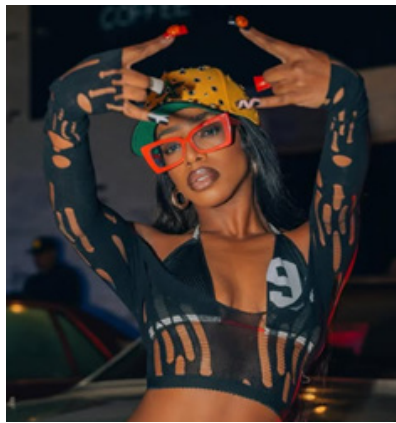
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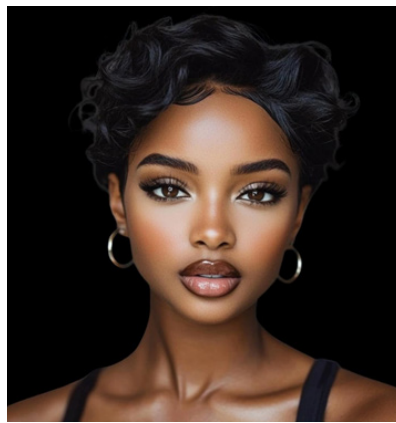
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Editor's Note



WHEN THE TEAM FELL APART,
SHE CARRIED THE VISION ANYWAY

(Stay in the room. Keep building. Keep believing. You are the team)

WRITTEN BY: DR. TREVI BOOKER PERSHAY

Every empire builder faces a moment when the cheering stops, the calls go silent, and the team that once stood shoulder-to-shoulder begins to fade. For some, it's the end. But for women like Me—the rule-breaker, the ground-shaker—it's only the beginning of a deeper becoming. Because when the team falls apart, the real leader emerges. This chapter isn't about betrayal or burnout. It's about rising anyway. Continue the work! Carrying the vision! Even if she must carry it alone.

This article is for the woman who built something out of nothing, who heard a calling that no one else could hear, and who now stands alone, wondering if she should keep going. And the answer is: yes, you must.

WHAT'S MY NEXT

Don't Fold – Stay Focused:

I've always been a passionate cheerleader for women who climb, rise, and boldly step into their purpose, but what matters most to me is having a team that serves as a strong extension of the grind, not the weight. When I'm forced to carry the vision and the burden alone, it stifles my creativity and disrupts the flow of what I'm called to build. God constantly reminds me that this gift does not come from anyone but Him, and that is where my focus is.

Understand the Assignment

Remember, you weren't called on this journey to gain applause or likes. You were called to it for impact. Sometimes, the assignment is meant only for you to carry for a season—especially when others fall away. It's not rejection; it's redirection. Don't allow temporary abandonment to cloud a permanent calling.

Redefine What "Team" Looks Like

Sometimes, the team that begins the journey isn't meant to finish it. People grow. Visions shift. What, once aligned, may no longer serve the purpose. And while it's okay to grieve that loss, it's even more powerful to reframe it. This could be the season where your strongest partner is your inner resilience, your deepening prayer life, or your sharpened business strategy.

Scripture for the Season:
"There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heavens."
Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)



Tell Yourself the Truth

The truth is if you were waiting for permission to lead without a crowd, here it is. You are still worthy of showing up. The vision is still valid. Your business, your dream, your work—it matters. Your courage will attract new people who are aligned with your future, not your past.

Lead Loud, Even in Silence

No one may be watching today. But lead like the room is full. Speak as if the audience is present. Act as if the results are inevitable. This is how movements begin—by someone daring to believe even when the support is invisible.

Final Thoughts:

Sister, if the team has stopped showing up, let that be your reminder: the vision was given to you, not to them. And if it was given to you, that means you are equipped to carry it—even through the quiet seasons.

Blessings,
Dr. Trevi Booker-Pershay

Featured Story



ALLISON D. MAHON

EMPOWERING WOMEN TO RISE, HEAL, AND TRANSFORM

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

Across the globe, women are rising—not just in power and influence, but in purpose. They are healing generations, breaking cycles, and transforming lives through faith, advocacy, and unwavering resilience. These women are not waiting for change—they are becoming the change. Among them stands Allison D. Mahon, a dynamic voice of healing, restoration, and transformation. As a pastor, coach, entrepreneur, and survivor, she embodies what it means to turn pain into purpose and passion into impact. In this powerful feature, we invite you to meet the woman behind the movement—one who is boldly leading others into wholeness and awakening purpose wherever she goes.

Walking in Purpose, Leading with Grace

In a world where titles often overshadow truth, Allison D. Mahon stands unapologetically as a woman who lives her call with clarity, grace, and power. As the wife of Bishop Rufus G. Mahon, mother of three sons—Guillermo, Malik, and Josiah—and Senior Pastor at Preserving Life Ministries in Newark, NJ, Pastor Allison is a woman of many assignments. But her story isn't just one of roles—it's one of purpose, healing, and unshakable faith.

From Survivor to Voice of the Voiceless

Affectionately known as Pastor Allison, she serves not only within church walls but also in the trenches of real life, where trauma meets transformation. A survivor of domestic violence, Allison turned her pain into purpose by founding Beautiful Me Inc., a national initiative that restores and protects women and children impacted by abuse. Her personal journey fuels her advocacy, making her a fearless and compassionate voice for those still fighting to find their own.

Rooted in Culture, Driven by Healing

Born in San Fernando, Trinidad, Pastor Allison carries the strength of her heritage and deep family values. Her love for healing and care led her into massage therapy, specifically for ALS patients—a path that birthed Al-loma Care Spa & Wellness in 2010. Fusing holistic healing with spiritual restoration, her business continues to thrive debt-free, standing as a testament to her integrity, faith, and anointing.

A Digital Disruptor for the Kingdom

With over 20,000 social media followers, Pastor Allison has established thriving online ministries that attract thousands seeking healing, prayer, and divine alignment. From Fire Friday to The Forty@Five Community, her platforms are more than content—they are safe spaces where transformation happens and where women are reminded that their voice and story matter.

Raising the Next Generation of Leaders

In 2024, Pastor Allison became a John Maxwell Certified Leadership & Behavior Analysis Coach, broadening her ability to mentor and train with intentional impact. Her coaching brand, Brilliant Woman Coaching, focuses on self-discovery and growth. She's now preparing to launch Judah Coaching Academy in 2025, an initiative designed to mentor boys aged 8–13 and help shape the next generation of confident, purpose-filled young men.

A Pen of Power and Purpose

Her passion for writing began in childhood and has now blossomed into a full publishing legacy. Through Daughters of Deborah Publishing, Allison has released powerful titles like Commanding Increase, Mind Detox, and Delegated Authority, alongside co-authoring the anthologies And Then I Arose and Beyond. Her blog, Allo's Inspirations, and her curriculum-based resources further empower women to heal and evolve through the written word.



A Life Marked by Impact, Not Applause

Although she has been honored by civic leaders, elected officials, and church networks worldwide, Pastor Allison remains grounded. Her humility is evident in her words: "My greatest hope is that a person's life quality will increase after meeting me." Her impact is not in titles or accolades—but in the lives changed, the women restored, and the communities empowered through her calling.

The Midwife to the Movement

More than a preacher, more than an influencer—Allison D. Mahon is a midwife to the movement of God. She empowers women to discover their identity, helps families find healing, and bridges the gap between faith and wellness like no one else. Her message is clear: you can rise, heal, and transform—because she did, and she's holding space for you to do the same.

You can connect with Pastor Allison through her early morning broadcasts on Facebook and YouTube, visit her in person at Preserving Life Center in Newark, NJ, or support her ministries and coaching initiatives at www.allisonmahonministries.com.

Queens Court



THE POWER OF PURPOSE

HOW TIFFANY WINFREY IS ELEVATING WOMEN IN BUSINESS WITH STRATEGY, FAITH, AND DESIGN

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

In a digital world overflowing with content and noise, women entrepreneurs are rising with a mission—seeking clarity, alignment, and confidence to show up boldly in business and in life. At the intersection of strategy and soul stands Tiffany Winfrey, a woman of faith and vision who has committed her life to helping high-achieving women entrepreneurs build purposeful, profitable brands. As the founder and CEO of T. Winfrey Design, Inc., Tiffany is leading a powerful movement—one built on intention, identity, and impact.

A Studio with Vision: Branding with Purpose

T. Winfrey Design, Inc. is more than a design studio—it's a transformative brand strategy partner for women navigating the complexities of building a business while managing thriving careers. Founded in 2021 after a purposeful rebrand of her original company, Tiffany's firm offers custom Squarespace websites and strategic brand identities with clarity at the core. Every project moves through a structured four-step process, guiding clients from confusion to clarity—delivering more than just visuals but a brand story that converts and connects.

With every brand she touches, Tiffany brings the same intentionality and excellence that shaped her successful career in Information Technology. Her approach is tailored, supportive, and results-driven—ensuring every woman who walks through her virtual doors leaves with a brand that reflects her vision and attracts her ideal audience.

T. Winfrey
BRAND STRATEGY + DESIGN

From Tech Trailblazer to Brand Strategist

Tiffany's journey into entrepreneurship didn't begin in design—but in data. With a Bachelor's degree in Computer Programming Information Systems and certifications in Service Management, Agile, and Leadership, she carved out a respected path in the IT world. Her experience working with industry leaders such as Hewlett Packard Enterprise and Henry Schein, Inc. shaped her operational mindset and leadership style. Today, she continues to lead strategic initiatives as a Program Manager for a global financial firm, driving transformation and innovation at the enterprise level.

But it was in 2017 that Tiffany answered a higher calling. What started as T. Smiles Design soon flourished into a purpose-driven platform that combined creativity with calling—bridging the gap between professional women and the visual presence they deserved.

Faith First: A Calling to Empower Women

What sets Tiffany apart isn't just her impressive portfolio—it's her heart. A sought-after speaker and co-author of the Amazon bestseller *Business Success Strategies for Women on the Rise*, Tiffany brings her message of alignment, branding, and faith to conferences across the country. Whether speaking at Women on the Rise, the Authorpreneur Summit, or The Fresh Anointing Women's Conference, she shows up not only as a strategist—but as a sister in purpose, reminding women that their business can be both a ministry and a mission.

She is the recipient of honors, including Entrepreneur of the Year, the Best of Franklin Square Graphic Designer Award, and a New York State Assembly Certificate of Merit—testaments to her excellence, but more importantly, her impact.

Rooted in Leadership, Grounded in Faith

Now based in Maryland, Tiffany continues to lead in multiple arenas. She serves as President of the Crofton Professionals Toastmasters Club, empowering others to speak with boldness and clarity, and as Vice President of the Caring & Concern Ministry at her church, where compassion and service take center stage. With her eyes set on an MBA and her hands building brands, she is an unstoppable force—a true woman of faith and influence.

At the heart of it all is her unwavering belief that women are meant to walk boldly in their God-given authority—and Tiffany Winfrey is here to make sure they look as powerful as they feel.

Tiffany Winfrey isn't just building brands. She's building a legacy. Through strategy, design, and divine purpose, she is reminding women everywhere that success isn't just about visibility—it's about vision. And when your vision is clear, the world can't help but take notice.



Featured Story



HIP HOP BURGER

WHERE FLAVOR, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY COLLIDE – AUTUMN BELLAMY'S MISSION TO BUILD MORE THAN JUST A RESTAURANT

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

In the heart of Queens, New York, where the rhythm of life moves to the beat of hip-hop, and the scent of freshly smashed burgers fills the air, stands Hip Hop Burger, a culinary movement born from culture, flavor, and purpose. At the forefront is Autumn Bellamy, part-owner and proud visionary behind this Black-owned establishment that fuses the energy of hip-hop with the warmth of community. For Autumn, this isn't just about serving food; it's about preserving culture, creating jobs, and building a legacy that gives back to the community.

The Beat Behind the Burger: A Cultural Creation

Hip Hop Burger wasn't just an idea; it was a statement. Autumn and her team wanted to create a space that felt like home, where the pulse of classic hip-hop met the comfort of a perfectly crafted burger. "Food can be just as expressive as music," Autumn shares. "We wanted to capture that nostalgia and keep it fresh." Rooted in the spirit of Queens, Hip Hop Burger quickly became more than a restaurant; and it became a community hub where the vibes are just as important as the menu. From their signature pineapple jerk sauce to the banana pudding that keeps people coming back, the culinary experience is as intentional as the music blasting through the speakers.

In a candid conversation with C.O.B.S. Magazine, Autumn shares the story behind Hip Hop Burger, the battles she's faced as a Black entrepreneur, and how resilience, community, and cultural pride have fueled her journey. What unfolds is an inspiring blueprint for anyone daring to chase their dream despite the odds.



Overcoming Barriers with Community at the Core

Being a Black-owned business presents unique challenges, particularly in an industry where funding can be scarce. Autumn openly acknowledges that accessing capital and long-term support has been a hurdle. Yet, rather than focusing on the obstacles, she doubled down on building trust, loyalty, and tangible support within her neighborhood.

"Giving up was never on the table," she says. "We're here to show up for our community and build something real and sustainable." And that's precisely what they've done—95% of their staff are Queens residents, they've partnered with local schools, hired youth through summer programs, and continuously poured resources back into the people who support them.

The Power of Representation and Excellence

Autumn is keen to dispel harmful misconceptions about Black-owned businesses. "There's this false narrative that Black-owned means less professional or inconsistent. That's just not true," she says. For Hip Hop Burger, excellence is not optional—it's the standard. They lead with culture, but it's their high-quality food and outstanding service that truly distinguish them.

The community has noticed. From Rochdale's 30,000+ residents to students, seniors, and loyal neighbors, the support has been overwhelming and deeply meaningful to Autumn and her team.

Inspiring the Next Generation

Beyond serving food, Autumn's mission includes inspiring future leaders and entrepreneurs. Through mentorship, community events, and partnerships with local organizations, Hip Hop Burger is creating opportunities for young people to feel seen and supported.

Her advice to aspiring Black entrepreneurs is as authentic as her journey: "Start with what you have, surround yourself with people who believe in your vision, and don't wait for perfect conditions. Build now and grow as you go."



What's Next: Growth with Purpose

Hip Hop Burger is just getting started. With plans to expand, franchise, and collaborate with local artists, Autumn envisions a future where the brand continues to serve good food while uplifting the community that helped build it. "Growth is on the horizon, but the mission stays the same—good food, good people, and real connection."

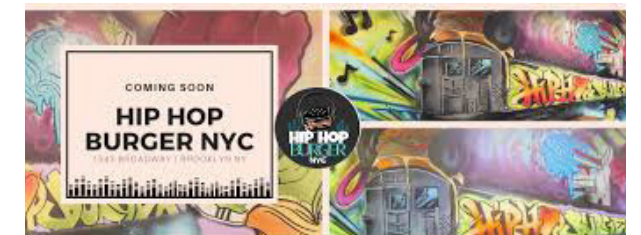
Autumn Bellamy's story is more than a tale of entrepreneurship—it's a powerful reminder of what's possible when passion meets purpose. Hip Hop Burger stands as a beacon for culture, resilience, and community-driven success. Autumn and her team are not just flipping burgers; they're flipping narratives, proving that Black-owned businesses can set the bar for excellence while staying rooted in the neighborhoods that shaped them.

For those who dare to dream, Autumn leaves us with this: "The vibe gets people in the door, but the heart, the hustle, and the flavor—that's what keeps them coming back."



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Women Work



GRACEFULLY GRAZING

HOW ELLA CHARCUTERIE & CO TURNED A PANDEMIC PASSION INTO PURPOSEFUL CONNECTION

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In a time when the world stood still, one woman found movement—in creativity, faith, and food. Born during the height of the 2020 pandemic, Ella Charcuterie & Co wasn't just a business; it was a lifeline of hope and healing, artfully crafted on a wooden board. What started as a personal outlet quickly evolved into a soulful brand that brings people together through beautifully curated charcuterie experiences. With each bite, Ella delivers more than flavors she delivers intention, connection, and the reminder that even in the most uncertain moments, joy can still be found.

From intimate date nights to grand events, Ella Charcuterie & Co. has become a go-to destination for those looking to elevate any moment—one bite at a time. But behind the picturesque platters lies a journey paved with sacrifice, faith, and an unwavering belief in purpose.

A Double Life: Educator by Day, Entrepreneur by Night

Balancing a demanding career as an educator while building a growing business was no small feat. "Pouring into my students during the day and then switching into business mode in the evenings left me drained at times but deeply fulfilled," she reflects. The emotional toll was real, marked by late nights, silent tears, and lingering doubts.

"There were seasons where I questioned if I could really do both. But even when I felt overwhelmed, I knew I was building something that mattered—not just for me, but for the people my work would touch."



Learning to Say "No" with Purpose

For every charcuterie success story, there were difficult decisions behind the scenes. The hardest? Saying no. In a world that praises hustle, the founder had to draw a line between passion and burnout.

"Not every opportunity is the right one. Some doors had to be closed so I could protect my peace and honor my values," she says. It's a truth that many women balancing multiple roles can relate to just because you can doesn't mean you should.

Faith as the Foundation

When things didn't go as planned—and often, they didn't—it was her faith that anchored her. "God kept me grounded. I prayed through the doubt, the frustration, the exhaustion," she shares. Whether it was a canceled order, a missed opportunity, or just sheer fatigue, she leaned into her spirituality.

"The love and support from family, friends, and even customers reminded me that I wasn't walking this journey alone. Their belief in me helped me believe in myself."

A Word to the Weary Dreamer

To anyone standing on the edge of giving up, her advice is simple but powerful: Don't.

"Rest if you need to. Breathe. Cry. But don't give up," she says. "God placed that dream in your heart for a reason. Even when you can't see how it all comes together, trust that He's working behind the scenes."

With heartfelt wisdom, she reminds us that success isn't always loud. "Sometimes progress is quiet, steady, and sacred. You're not behind. You're exactly where you need to be."

Grazing with Intention

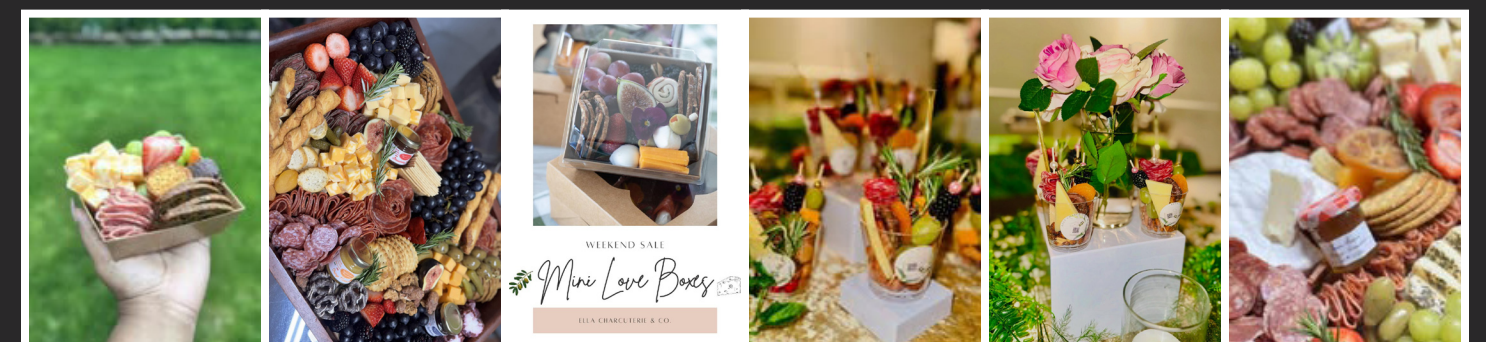
Ella Charcuterie & Co. isn't just about food—it's about creating meaningful experiences that nourish both body and soul. It's about finding beauty in small things, sharing joy with others, and saying yes to the dream—even when it feels hard.

So, whether you're ordering a box or building a dream, remember this: you, too, can graze beautifully... one bite, one step, one prayer at a time.



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Beauty Care Corner

SUMMER SKIN PROTECTION

ESSENTIAL TIPS FOR BLACK WOMEN TO STAY GLOWING AND SAFE IN THE HEAT

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When the sun comes out in full force, many Black women embrace the season with radiant skin that naturally resists visible sun damage. However, the misconception that melanin-rich skin doesn't need sun protection is a myth that needs to be dispelled. Black women, just like everyone else, are at risk of sunburn, hyperpigmentation, premature aging, and even skin cancer.

Here's your ultimate summer skin protection guide—explicitly designed with Black women in mind—to help you stay glowing, healthy, and beautifully protected.

Why Sun Protection Matters for Black Women

Melanin offers some natural protection against UV rays, but it's not enough. Black women are more prone to:

- Hyperpigmentation: Dark spots can become darker with sun exposure.
- Uneven skin tone: The sun can exaggerate existing skin tone inconsistencies.
- Delayed skin cancer diagnosis: Skin cancer often goes unnoticed in Black women until it reaches advanced stages.

This makes proper sun protection essential.

MUST-HAVE SUMMER SKINCARE TIPS

1. Never Skip Sunscreen

Sunscreen should be your non-negotiable step, even if you don't burn easily. (<https://blackgirlsunscreen.com/>)

• Try:

Black Girl Sunscreen SPF 30

Specially formulated for melanated skin, this sunscreen is ultra-sheer, moisturizing, and won't leave a white cast.

• Also Try:

Supergoop! Unseen Sunscreen SPF 40

Lightweight, completely invisible, and great under makeup.



2. Stay Hydrated Inside and Out

Summer heat can dry out your skin, so hydration is key. (<https://shorturl.at/tlpcs>) (<https://shorturl.at/xzyXR>)

• Drink plenty of water

Drink plenty of water and eat water-rich fruits like watermelon and cucumbers.

• Try:

Fenty Skin Hydra Vizor Invisible Moisturizer SPF 30

A two-in-one moisturizer and sunscreen that hydrates and protects, perfect for daily wear.



3. Exfoliate Gently

Summer sweat and sunscreen can clog pores. Exfoliate 1-2 times a week to keep skin smooth and radiant. (<https://shorturl.at/Y1RHw>)

• Try:

Urban Skin Rx Purifying 2-in-1 Pumpkin Pore Detox Mask & Scrub.

Formulated for diverse skin tones, this mask detoxifies and exfoliates simultaneously.



4. Combat Hyperpigmentation

Sun exposure can deepen dark spots. Use products with ingredients like Vitamin C and niacinamide to brighten and even out your skin tone. (<https://shorturl.at/2APcr>)

• Try:

Topicals Faded Brightening & Clearing Serum

Created by Black entrepreneur Olamide Olowe, this serum helps fade dark spots and even out skin tone without irritation.



5. Protective Accessories Matter

Beyond skincare, always wear wide-brimmed hats, sunglasses, and lightweight long sleeves when spending extended time outdoors. (<https://shorturl.at/c7leU>)

• Try:

Furtalk Wide Brim Straw Hat

Stylish, breathable, and offers UPF 50+ sun protection.



Final Glow Tip:

Make summer skincare fun! The key is consistency and using products made with your skin in mind. Don't fall into the trap of thinking you're immune to sun damage—Black women deserve the same protection and care as everyone else, tailored to celebrate and support our unique skin needs.

Spotlight Corner



THE VOICE OF A MOVEMENT

ADRIENNE TERRY CHAMPIONS MENTAL HEALTH IN MINORITY COMMUNITIES

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

As the editor of C.O.B.S. Magazine, a minister of the gospel, and a longtime friend, it is a personal honor to shine this month's spotlight on Adrienne Terry—a woman I've served beside in ministry and admired for her unwavering dedication to advocacy, healing, and community restoration.

I've had the privilege of witnessing Adrienne's journey up close. Her path has never been about recognition but about transformation. Whether she's advocating for mental wellness, serving those impacted by addiction or homelessness, or leading with prayer and compassion, Adrienne shows up with integrity, grace, and fierce determination. She's not just spoken about mental health—she has built bridges in places where silence once lived. Today, we honor her powerful voice and years of service.

Bridging the Gap Between Faith and Mental Health

In 2018, Adrienne founded the Multicultural Faith-Based Mental Health Network, a thriving online community of over 1,000 members, including social workers, pastors, therapists, and church leaders. This initiative grew from a critical need to address the silence surrounding mental health in faith-based and minority communities. Through virtual summits, training sessions, and workshops, she equips leaders to recognize signs of mental distress and respond with compassion and wisdom.

Her advocacy is especially crucial in Black and brown communities where stigmas and systemic barriers often prevent individuals from seeking help. Adrienne's work helps dismantle these barriers and foster safe, informed spaces where mental health is openly discussed and supported.

Each July, Adrienne passionately promotes National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, a campaign founded by the late BeBe Moore Campbell. Through virtual town halls and global discussions with spiritual leaders, she continues to educate and empower communities to prioritize mental wellness.

Championing National Minority Mental Health Awareness

A key part of Adrienne's ongoing efforts is her dedication to National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, held every July. The campaign, initially started by the late BeBe Moore Campbell, highlights the unique struggles minority populations face in accessing quality mental health care.

Adrienne has carried that torch with strength and grace, organizing virtual panel discussions, town halls, and faith-based forums featuring thought leaders and spiritual voices from around the world. These conversations are more than educational—they are healing experiences that bring community members together in vulnerability and empowerment.

A Voice That Echoes Far and Wide

Each July, Adrienne passionately promotes National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, a campaign founded by the late BeBe Moore Campbell. Through virtual town halls and global discussions with spiritual leaders, she continues to educate and empower communities to prioritize mental wellness.

Adrienne's voice has reached national platforms, including Liz Black's WMCA 570, various podcasts, YouTube channels, and magazines, where she advocates for mental health awareness with boldness and clarity. With a Master's in Human Services from Lincoln University and an Advanced Master's in Mental Health Counseling from Alfred University, she blends academic excellence with spiritual insight to make a lasting impact.

Looking Ahead

As she looks to the future, Adrienne is expanding her mission with new training initiatives and an unwavering commitment to bridging the gap between faith and mental health. At C.O.B.S. Magazine, we are proud to celebrate Adrienne Terry—a woman who turns her calling into healing and her advocacy into lasting change.

Here at C.O.B.S. Magazine, we are honored to shine the spotlight on Adrienne Terry—a woman who reminds us that healing is not a destination but a journey of faith, intention, and love. In every community she touches, Adrienne brings the message that mental health matters and that through unity, understanding, and divine purpose, we can all walk toward wholeness together.



Women Innovators

CARLEEKHA'S CHERRY BEAUTY DELIGHT

WHERE FAITH MEETS RADIANCE

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

In a world where beauty trends often focus on the external, Carleekha, founder of Carleekha's Cherry Beauty Delight, is redefining the conversation. For her, beauty isn't just about the perfect foundation or the proper skincare routine—it's about the sweetness of self-love, the glow of confidence, and a light that shines from within, rooted in unwavering faith.

With a brand inspired by the richness of cherries and the grace of Jesus Christ, Carleekha's approach to beauty is refreshingly unique. "Beauty is more than skin deep," she shares. "It's about shining with confidence, peace, and joy that comes from knowing who you are in Christ. When my clients leave, I want them glowing inside and out—just like a ripe cherry on the vine."

At Cherry Beauty Delight, every service is intentionally crafted to nourish both the skin and the spirit. Whether it's a rejuvenating facial, a carefully blended makeup session, or a personalized skincare consultation, clients can expect an experience wrapped in care, patience, and love. For Carleekha, each appointment is an opportunity to minister, encourage, and uplift. She sees her beauty chair as a sacred space—a place where people can release insecurities, receive wisdom, and rediscover their worth.

Her signature cherry-themed treatments symbolize more than a playful aesthetic. To Carleekha, cherries represent sweetness, vibrancy, and life in full bloom. They are a reminder that beauty flourishes when rooted in authenticity and nurtured by faith. "Cherries are delicate yet bold, sweet yet powerful—just like us," she says with a warm smile.

But Carleekha's journey into the beauty world wasn't just about launching a business—it was a calling. Grounded in her Christian beliefs, she felt compelled to create a brand that could serve as a safe haven for women seeking more than a quick beauty fix. Her faith shapes every aspect of her work, from her gentle touch to the affirming conversations she shares with her clients. "I pray over my products, my space, and every person who walks through my doors. I want people to feel the love of God here."

What sets Carleekha apart is her deep commitment to inner healing. She understands that many who seek beauty services may also carry emotional scars—low self-esteem, societal pressures, or spiritual disconnection. Through her work, she helps women not only look their best but feel seen, valued, and spiritually refreshed.

In a beauty industry often dominated by fleeting trends and filtered images, Carleekha's Cherry Beauty Delight stands as a radiant exception. It's a space where true beauty is celebrated, where faith and skincare blend seamlessly, and where clients leave not only with a luminous glow but with hearts full of joy and renewed purpose.

As Carleekha continues to grow her brand, her mission remains clear: to empower, uplift, and remind every client that their beauty was divinely created—and it's time to let it shine.



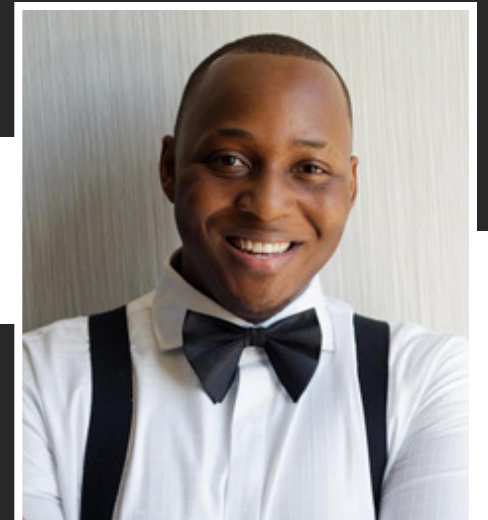
Author's Corner

EARL O'BRIEN JR. UNVEILS THE CRISIS COMPASS

A LIFELINE FOR NAVIGATING LIFE'S STORMS

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

In life's darkest moments—when grief, trauma, and emotional chaos threaten to swallow us whole—it's often not survival we're after but direction. In his new book, *The Crisis Compass*, mental health counselor and faith-based trauma specialist Earl O'Brien Jr. delivers exactly that: a sacred roadmap for finding your way when the world feels unrecognizable.



Bridging the delicate worlds of clinical therapy and spiritual guidance, *The Crisis Compass* is not your typical self-help manual. Earl, known for his compassionate work as a Christian counselor, life coach, and clinician at Keep Smiling Therapy, PLLC, offers readers something far more profound—a chance to heal holistically, rebuild authentically, and reconnect spiritually.

A New Navigation System for the Soul

Through the powerful metaphor of a compass, Earl introduces a groundbreaking four-directional model to guide readers through life's most disorienting seasons:

- **North: Stability**
- **East: Revelation**
- **South: Surrender**
- **West: Reconstruction**

Each direction invites readers into a process of grounding, discovery, release, and rebuilding—making space for both clinical strategies and divine encounters. Whether you're wrestling with emotional burnout, grief, identity crises, or fractured relationships, Earl's approach helps you not just survive the storm but find your way through it with purpose and peace.

The Intersection of Faith and Therapy

What sets *The Crisis Compass* apart is its seamless integration of faith and psychology. Earl doesn't ask readers to choose between spiritual healing and emotional recovery—he shows how they are divinely connected. His reflective journal prompts, heartfelt prayers, and therapeutic exercises create space for readers to process their pain honestly without rushing the journey or performing faith.

This book speaks especially to weary leaders, silent sufferers, and those quietly navigating internal storms, all while carrying the weight of responsibilities, unanswered questions, and spiritual fatigue.

Earl O'Brien Jr.: A Healing Voice for the Hurting

Known as The Therapeutic Architect™, Earl O'Brien Jr. has built his career on designing pathways to emotional and spiritual wholeness. With his work deeply rooted in both clinical expertise and pastoral care, Earl understands the unique intersection where trauma, identity, and faith collide. His writing reflects his heart for people who feel lost, disoriented, or forgotten in their crises.

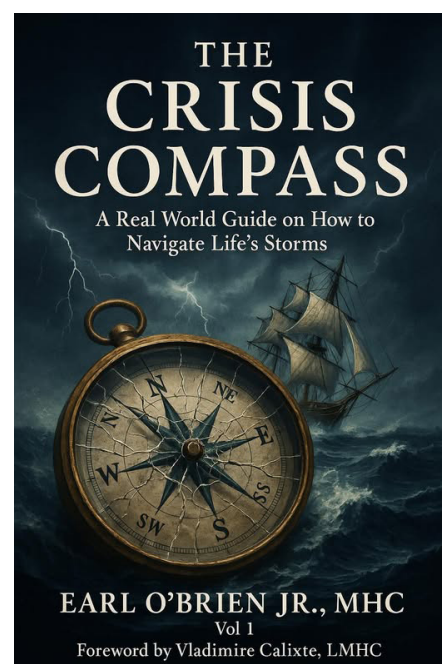
"Crises don't just disorient you—they also expose your compass," Earl writes. "This book is about helping you find your true direction again, where healing isn't rushed, faith isn't faked, and God meets you in the middle of the storm."

With *The Crisis Compass*, Earl O'Brien Jr. has gifted the world not just a book but a spiritual toolkit—a map for the soul's return to safety, clarity, and redemption.



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Momprenneur Spotlight

JANELLE MURPHY O'BRIEN

A MISSION FOR CHANGE IN THE WORLD OF NUMBERS

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM



At the intersection of motherhood, faith, and financial leadership stands Janelle Murphy O'Brien, a powerhouse momprenneur whose story is rewriting what success looks like for Black women in the accounting field. As the CEO of Enlight CPA, LLC and the visionary behind NexGen Women in Accounting, Inc., Janelle is not just balancing the demands of running a thriving business—she's building a legacy that uplifts generations to come.

A Family Legacy Rooted in Business

For Janelle, business was never just a career option—it was in her DNA. Growing up surrounded by her mother, aunts, and a family steeped in the accounting profession, she found her passion early. "I fell in love with accounting before I fell in love with anything else," she reflects. From college-level courses in high school to graduating Summa Cum Laude from the University at Albany, Janelle's path was paved with excellence and grit.

But even with degrees, certifications, and a seat at the table of the most prestigious firms, Janelle faced the harsh reality of exclusion. She encountered blatant discrimination, overlooked promotions, and the silent barriers that so often prevent Black women from thriving in corporate America. Instead of allowing those challenges to define her, she used them as fuel.

Building Enlight CPA, LLC: A Bold Declaration

On December 31, 2019, Janelle made a courageous decision: to walk away from the corporate world and build her own. Founding Enlight CPA, LLC wasn't just about starting a business—it was a declaration of freedom. Today, her firm serves individuals, entrepreneurs, and small businesses across all 50 states, providing not only expert accounting services but also a space where inclusion and representation are non-negotiable.

"It wasn't easy," Janelle admits. "There were moments I questioned everything—when the path felt too hard and giving up seemed like the only option. But I knew I wasn't just doing this for myself. I was doing it for the next little Black girl who would come behind me."

NexGen Women in Accounting: Uplifting the Next Generation

That deep-rooted purpose led Janelle to launch NexGen Women in Accounting, Inc. in 2020, a nonprofit dedicated to increasing the representation of African American women in the accounting profession. With less than 2% of CPAs being African American, Janelle saw the urgency to close that gap—not through stories alone, but through action.

NexGen WIA equips young Black girls aged 12 to 18 with the tools, mentorship, and opportunities necessary to thrive in an industry that often excludes them. From workshops and community outreach to scholarships and hands-on programs, Janelle is creating pipelines of possibility in under-resourced communities.

Faith, Family, and Fierce Determination

As a wife, ministry leader, and mother to two beautiful daughters, Eliana and Chay-il, Janelle embodies the spirit of the momprenneur. Balancing boardrooms with bedtime stories, she credits her strength to her faith and her unwavering belief that God has ordered her steps.

Her story is a testament to resilience, purpose, and the undeniable power of moms who refuse to settle.

Janelle Murphy O'Brien is proof that sometimes the walls we hit are the ones we are called to tear down. Through Enlight CPA, LLC, and NexGen WIA, she's not just changing the face of accounting—she's opening doors, making space, and empowering the next generation to claim their seat at the table boldly.

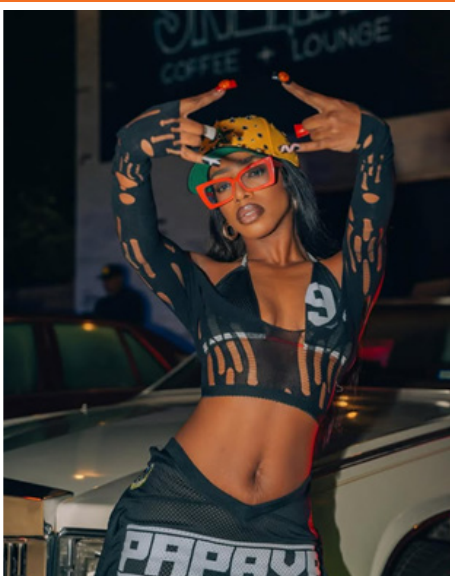


Fashion Spotlight

FROM BEATS TO BOUTIQUE

THE RISE OF MAIYA PAPAYA

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM



A Star Born in Sound and Style

Maiya Papaya is redefining what it means to be a multi-hyphenate creative. Born and raised in Houston, Texas, Maiya was destined for a music career. Coming from a family steeped in radio and music production, her passion for sound was sparked early. But what sets Maiya apart is how she seamlessly fuses her DJ career with her role as the CEO of Papaya Market, a fashion brand she's boldly leading into the future.

Crowned Red Bull DJ Champion

In 2024, Maiya secured her spot in DJ history by winning the Red Bull Turn It Up DJ Competition, becoming one of the first-ever U.S. champions. Her electrifying blend of old-school classics and new-school beats captured the hearts of audiences and judges alike. This monumental win significantly amplified her reach and firmly established her presence on the radar of both the music and fashion industries.

Spinning for Legends, Building a Legacy

Maiya's resume reads like a who's who of entertainment. She's spun at events for iconic artists like Kanye West, Justin Combs, Ginuwine, Trey Songz, and Jacquees. Corporate heavyweights such as Don Julio, Crown Royal, Foot Locker, and Shoe Palace have trusted Maiya to curate the vibe for their most high-profile activations.

Her unique style, which blends the nostalgia of old-school rhythms with the pulse of today's hottest tracks, has earned her a versatile booking list, from club events, fashion shows, and festivals to private parties, weddings, and radio gigs across the U.S. and internationally.

The Vision Behind Papaya Market

While Maiya's beats move crowds, her fashion brand, Papaya Market, is making waves of its own. Dedicated to self-expression and street-style aesthetics, Papaya Market reflects the same boldness Maiya brings to the DJ booth. She is now expanding the Papaya brand to encompass fashion design and creative direction, building a lifestyle label that resonates with the exact authenticity of her music.

Global Stages and Growing Influence

Maiya's journey has taken her to top-tier venues worldwide, including The Standard Rooftop in Ibiza, Exchange in Miami, City Winery in DC and NYC, Thompson Hotel in New York, and even stages in London and Moscow. Impressive digital stats back her global appeal:

- 16K Instagram followers
- 500K SoundCloud plays
- 1.5M website visits in 2022
- 600K unique visits and counting
- Her social media platforms, under the handle @maiyathepapaya, serve as a vibrant hub where fashion, music, and lifestyle converge.

What's Next for Maiya Papaya?

With a major DJ championship under her belt and a fast-growing fashion brand, Maiya Papaya is poised to dominate both the soundwaves and the style scene. Fans can look forward to the next evolution of Papaya Market, exclusive sets, and more creative ventures that bridge music and fashion.

COBS Magazine Takeaway:

Maiya Papaya isn't just building a brand—she's crafting a cultural movement. She's the perfect embodiment of a new generation of women who confidently wear multiple crowns: DJ, CEO, designer, and creative visionary. Stay tuned because this is just the beginning.





Travel Leisure

GIRLS WANNA HAVE SUN

TOP GETAWAYS FOR THE ULTIMATE GIRLS' TRIP

WRITTEN BY C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

Remember the unforgettable energy of the movie *Girls Trip* starring Queen Latifah, Jada Pinkett Smith, Regina Hall, and Tiffany Haddish? That bold, unstoppable sisterhood? That's the vibe we're chasing for your next girls' getaway.

The laughter, the wild adventures, the heartfelt moments—*Girls Trip* wasn't just a movie. It was a blueprint. Whether you're celebrating a milestone, escaping the daily grind, or simply craving a weekend filled with fun, freedom, and friendship, a girls' trip is always the right move.

So, grab your best friends and get ready to pack your bags because we've rounded up the top destinations for an adventurous, sun-soaked, and fun-filled girls' weekend. Whether you're dreaming of rooftop cocktails, electric nightlife, or breezy beach days, these locations deliver the ultimate balance of excitement and relaxation.

Both cities offer a chance to live boldly, celebrate your sisterhood, and center joy in spaces that honor women of color.

Las Vegas: Glam, Pool Parties, and Nightlife

Why You'll Love It:

Las Vegas is the perfect playground for girls who want to go big and live boldly. The city's energy is unmatched, making it an ideal destination for a weekend filled with glamorous nights, poolside lounging, and unforgettable group adventures. Stay at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas for stylish rooms, rooftop pools, and unbeatable Strip views.

Adventure and Fun:

- Rent a cabana and party poolside at Marquee Dayclub.
- Book a desert ATV tour or a group pole fitness class.
- See the sparkling city lights on a helicopter ride over the Strip.
- Brunch, shop, and dance your way through the best of Las Vegas.

Links: <https://cosmopolitanlasvegas.mgmresorts.com/en.html>

Miami: Beaches, Rooftop Lounges, and City Chic

Why You'll Love It:

Miami offers the perfect mix of beachside relaxation and vibrant city life. Whether you're sunbathing on South Beach or exploring the colorful murals of Wynwood, Miami is made for girls' trips filled with rooftop cocktails, yacht rides, and late-night laughs.

Adventure and Fun:

- Lounge on South Beach with cocktails in hand.
- Discover rooftop lounges like Serena and Sugar for sunset views.
- Book a yacht for the day and cruise along Miami's beautiful coast.
- Explore Miami's art scene with a Wynwood Walls tour.

Links: <https://www.miamiandbeaches.com/>

All-Inclusive Beach Escapes: Cancun, Riviera Maya, Punta Cana, and Aruba

For the ultimate stress-free, sun-soaked girls' trip, head to the Caribbean or Mexico's most beautiful beach destinations. With all-inclusive resorts, you can focus on making memories—not managing plans.

Top Resort Picks:

- **Hilton Playa del Carmen (Cancun)** – Adults-only luxury, beachfront cabanas, world-class spas, and vibrant nightlife.
- **Secrets Aura Cozumel (Riviera Maya)** – Private pools, snorkeling, and all-inclusive pampering.
- **Divi Aruba All-Inclusive Resort (Aruba)** – Perfectly soft beaches, endless activities, and breathtaking sunsets.

Why You'll Love It:

- **All-Inclusive Perks:** Unlimited food, drinks, beach access, and nightly entertainment—no extra planning required.
- **Beach Adventures:** Snorkeling, catamaran cruises, yoga on the sand, and group excursions.
- **Tropical Vibes:** Gorgeous beaches, pool parties, and laid-back days with your best friends.

Final Word

Whether you're dancing under the lights of Las Vegas, sipping rooftop cocktails in Miami, or soaking up the sun at an all-inclusive beach resort, these girls' getaways are about fun, freedom, and creating unforgettable memories with your tribe.

So, what are you waiting for? Call your girls. Book the flights. Get ready to live boldly, laugh loudly, and love every second of the adventure—just like the queens in *Girls Trip* would.

The Chat Corner



LOVING ME IS MORE THAN ENOUGH.

FROM THE AUTHOR OF QUEEN, LET'S TALK

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM

As the author of Queen Let's Talk because I know what it feels like to question your worth. I know what it's like to love deeply, to lose yourself in people who don't love you the same, and to wonder if you'll ever find your way back to the woman you were before. This article is more than just words—it's my truth, my healing, and my hope that you find yours too. Consider this an open letter to the woman still fighting for herself in the middle of the storm. Sis, you are not alone. And most importantly, loving you is more than enough.

Let me say this loudly for the people in the back: Loving me is more than enough. As a matter of fact, it's more than enough, more than some people could handle, and more than I ever gave myself credit for.

Loving me is more than enough.

It's not just a mantra—it's a reminder, a declaration, and a mental health breakthrough all wrapped in one. Because truthfully? I didn't always believe that. Not when I was losing myself in a toxic relationship. Not when I was trying to fix broken men while quietly breaking inside.

Leaving a toxic relationship is not just a relationship issue; it's a mental health issue. It's constant anxiety. The sleepless nights. The inner battles between "maybe they'll change" and "I can keep living like this." I've been there. And Queen, it's not easy.



Leaving a toxic relationship is not just a relationship issue; it's a mental health issue. It's constant anxiety. The sleepless nights. The inner battles between "maybe they'll change" and "I can't keep living like this." I've been there. And Queen, it's not easy.

Let's pull up the definition of toxic again, shall we?

Toxic: Poisonous. The dumping of waste. Very harmful or unpleasant persuasively or insidiously. (A toxic relationship)

Did you catch that? "A toxic relationship" is used as an example. That's not by accident. That's because relationships can become poison to your peace of mind.

My Mental Health Took the Hits Before My Heart Caught Up

If I wrote the full story of all the toxic relationships I've been in, you'd need a mini library, a box of tissues, and a licensed therapist on standby. I've dated:

- Insecure men
- Controlling Men
- Men with abandonment issues
- Men stuck on their exes
- Verbally abusive men
- Narcissistic men who could charm a room and crush a soul

Sound familiar? Then let me lovingly say this—run. Not later. Now. Protect your peace as if your life depends on it because it does.

Here's what I know now:

1. Therapy works. Full stop. It helped me untangle the lies I believed about myself.
2. Boundaries are a blessing. Saying no is self-love in action.
3. You cannot fix what doesn't want to be healed. Love is not enough to save someone who refuses to grow.
4. Loving yourself is the ultimate comeback. It's the shift. It's the revolution. It's the freedom.



I stopped trying to be everything to broken men, and finally became everything to me. That's where the healing happened. That's where I found my power. That's when I became the woman I was always meant to be.

So let's say it together, Queen:
Loving me is more than enough.
If they can't handle it?
Let. Them. Go.

Career Corner



LET'S MAKE CORRECTIONS!

SOURCING CANDIDATES WITH HUMAN HEARTS, NOT JUST AI

WRITTEN BY: ARIELLE PERSHAY

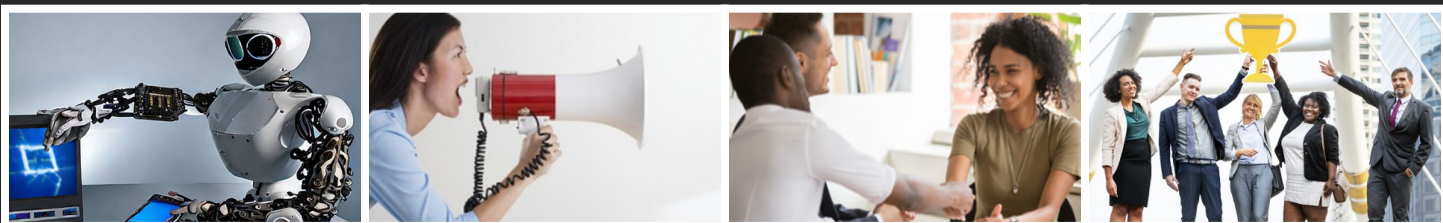
From the desk of a recruiter with feelings:

We need to talk about how we're sourcing candidates. Not because AI is evil (it's not), but because we—yes, we—are beginning to forget the heart of hiring.

Somewhere between Boolean strings and automated parsing, we've become... robotic. And while AI can help us find a Java developer in Lithuania in under 3 seconds, it can't tell us who lights up when they talk about solving problems. It can't sense kindness. It doesn't get goosebumps from a comeback story.

So, here's the correction:

Let's not ditch AI. Let's remind it—and ourselves—that we're dealing with humans. Not resumes. Not search results. People.



TRY THIS INSTEAD

Stop scanning. Start listening:

Yes, keywords matter. But so do passions, side projects, and those “gaps” that might be someone caring for a sick parent or rediscovering their spark. Ask about the story behind the paper.

Go deeper into your intake calls:

Hiring managers say they want “rockstars.” But do they mean someone who can write clean code and collaborate like a dream? Find out. Ask for the personality traits, not just job titles.

Don't be afraid of heart-forward sourcing:

That candidate with a non-traditional background? The one who didn't go to an Ivy but built their career from grit and Google? That's someone worth presenting. Let's champion the underdog.

AI is a tool, not a recruiter:

It can point us in the right direction, but it can't decide who belongs on a team. You can. You bring empathy, insight, and gut instincts. Don't outsource that magic.



Final Thoughts

Hiring is a human job. And while AI might help us move faster, it's our heart that keeps us on course. Let's be brave enough to slow down, ask better questions, and lead with compassion.

Because sourcing isn't just about filling seats; it's about building teams that “feel right”—on paper and in spirit.

Fitness Corner



CAN I BURN CALORIES AT MY AGE?

YES, YOU ABSOLUTELY CAN!

WRITTEN BY: ARIELLE PERSHAY

Let's just get one thing straight: age is a number, not a sentence. Whether you're 25 or 65, your body is still a beautiful machine capable of moving, grooving, sweating, and yes, burning those calories like yesterday's drama.

But somewhere along the line, a myth started floating around: "It gets harder to stay fit as you age." Well, kind of. Yes, metabolism naturally slows a bit (thanks, biology), but that doesn't mean your calorie-burning days are behind you. It just means you've got to be a little smarter—and maybe sassier—about how you approach it.



HERE'S THE GOOD NEWS

1. Muscle is your best friend:

Lifting weights or doing resistance workouts helps build muscle mass, and muscle burns more calories, even when you're just sitting there, sipping tea, judging people on reality TV. It's like a calorie-burning bonus round.



2. Eat to fuel, not to punish:

You're not "too old" to care about your nutrition. Nourish your body like it's royalty because it is. You don't need to survive on lettuce and guilt—just be mindful, balanced, and kind to your body.

3. Sleep, hydration, and laughter = essential:

Yes, these burn calories too. Sleep helps regulate your hormones, water keeps your systems running, and laughter? That burns about 10–40 calories in 15 minutes. So get your giggle on.



Final Thoughts

If you've been telling yourself "I'm too old for this," stop it right now. Your body still wants to thrive, your spirit wants to shine, and your calories? They're just waiting for you to show up. Burn 'em with love, not punishment.

Now go on, glow at every age.

The Crown Room

THE PIXIE CUT

BLACK WOMEN ARE REDEFINING ELEGANCE, CONFIDENCE, AND SUMMER BEAUTY ONE SNIP AT A TIME

WRITTEN BY: C.O.B.S EDITORIAL TEAM



In a world where hair has long been tied to identity, beauty standards, and cultural expression, Black women continue to set trends and break molds—and this summer, the pixie cut is taking center stage.

Once viewed as a bold departure from traditional length and volume, the pixie cut is now being embraced as the ultimate symbol of Black elegance, effortless sexiness, and undeniable strength. It's more than just a hairstyle—it's a statement.

The Power of the Pixie: Where Elegance Meets Edge

There's something timeless about the pixie cut. It frames the face with striking precision, highlighting natural features, bone structure, and the fierce confidence that radiates from within. For Black women, the pixie is not about conforming—it's about owning the room.

The pixie cut challenges the idea that long hair is the pinnacle of femininity. Instead, it celebrates authenticity, self-assurance, and style on our own terms. Whether sleek and polished, textured and curly, or playfully tousled, the pixie cut offers versatility while making a powerful statement of sophistication.

The Return of the Summer Pixie

Why is the pixie making such a strong comeback this summer? It's simple: freedom and ease.

As temperatures rise, so does the desire for low-maintenance styles that don't sacrifice beauty for comfort. The pixie cut is perfect for active, on-the-go women who want to spend more time living and less time styling.

Gone are the days of marathon wash days, endless twisting, and heat-heavy routines. The pixie cut is refreshingly simple to care for, quick to style, and endlessly chic. With a few essential products and minimal upkeep, Black women can rock a fresh, vibrant look all season long.

More Than a Trend: The Pixie as a Movement

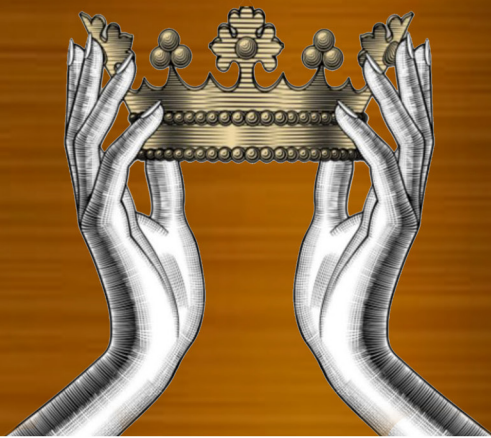
This revival isn't just about style—it's about reclaiming space. Black women, such as Mary J. Blige, Halle Berry, Nia Long, and Rhianna, have long championed the pixie look, demonstrating that short hair does not diminish beauty—it magnifies it.

Today's wave of women embracing the pixie cut are saying yes to boldness, yes to freedom, and yes to writing their own beauty narratives. It's a modern-day love letter to minimalism, self-expression, and unapologetic confidence.

So as the sun shines brighter this summer, will the Black women who choose the pixie—flawless, fierce, and fully themselves.



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