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## **For Immediate Release**

### **COUPLE HOPES "CONUNDRUM" SOLVES CONUNDRUM Local Filmmaker's Original Film Selected for National Festival but Lack Funds to Attend**

"Drowning," an original short film written by local artist, Dhakeria Cunningham has been accepted at the National Black Theatre Festival in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The festival, held biannually, will be July 29<sup>th</sup>-August 4<sup>th</sup>. The film was directed by actor Will Little, Cunningham's partner in Little Big League Productions. Two original plays were also submitted to the festival, and word on the decision of the submissions panel will be received soon. Cunningham and Little are extremely pleased at the honor of being selected for the festival, but their attendance is uncertain without funding. The real-life couple hopes to solve this dilemma with a staged reading of their newest play, *"The Couple Conundrum."*

*"The Couple Conundrum"* is a one-act two-person play based on the actual roller coaster relationship between Cunningham, who is the playwright, and Little who also helped develop the script. Through a funny therapy session the play explores the lovers' quarrels, the flashbacks to their young adulthood at Howard University, and gives an intimate spin on universal issues that couples undergo through the various phases of a relationship.

This fundraiser will take place 8pm Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup> at the WSLR 96.5 Radio's Fogartyville Community Media and Arts Center, 525 Kumquat Court Sarasota, FL 34236. The event gives the Sarasota community the opportunity to be the very first audience for this drama-laced Romantic Comedy, which is Directed by local brilliant director, Harry Bryce. Bryce has directed a number of Westcoast Black Theatre's productions, most recently, *It ain't Nothin But The Blues*. Also at the event the film, "Drowning," will be shown as well as a bonus premier of the couple's newest short film, "Resurrection!" Tickets are \$20 and will be sold at the door only. There will be food and drinks available for purchase and a lovely environment for mixing and mingling before the show.

Little Big League Productions, LLC was founded in 2011 in Sarasota, FL with a mission to provide relatable, engaging, and thought-provoking bodies of work through unique blends of art forms. Founders Little and Cunningham's passion to perform has been evident in their work in the community. Little, a graduate of the Asolo Conservatory and an up and coming director is best known for his role as Nabó in *Las Meninas* at the Asolo Repertory Theater and as Walter Lee in the Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe's production of *A Raisin in the Sun*. Cunningham, a published author, spoken word artist, and playwright is best known for her role as Josephine Baker in the Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe's production of *Blackbird: The Josephine Baker Story* and as a dancer with Fuzion Dance Artists. Beyond their stage credits, the two are passionate about making a difference in the lives of young people of their generation as well as the upcoming generations. Through provocative and cutting edge work they spread awareness, offer inspiration and ultimately seek to change lives.

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