

A PHILANTHROPIC ENDEAVOR BY TASHIMA JONES MEDIA•

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about.

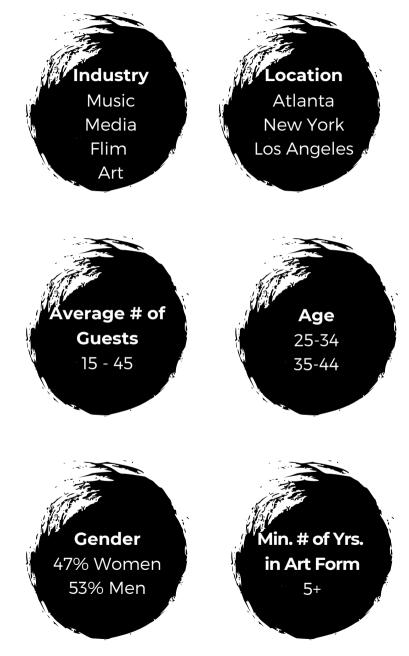
Connects, a fresh non-profit organization, focuses on media, film, art, music, and the creative economy. Founded by Tashima Jones of Tashima Jones Media, the heart of Connects is to inspire creatives, build authentic business relationships, and highlight the importance of information - sharing. vision.

Through our annual 3-day industry-focused conference, interviews, and quarterly events, we aim to continue to connect multilevel creatives and industry professionals for the purposes of personal and career development.

We are responsible for connections made in a variety of industries and companies including VH1 & Sony Music. Collaborators, Sponsors, and Guests include Sway Calloway (Journalist/Sway's Universe), Nikisha Bailey (Universal Music Group/The Recording Academy) and Ryan Leslie (Artist/Entrepreneur).

# audience.

Our audience is an intimate group of quality creatives in the arts, entertainment, & entrepreneurship with a focus on professional excellence and an interest in seeking their authentic selves. Space is intentionally limited to maximize the experience of each guest.



## collaborators & contributors.

Fader MetroPCS Black Enterprise Kelly Kinkaid, Producer Eric "ET" Thomas, Author/Speaker Your Voice Media, Digital Publisher Gina Torres, UWG Digital PR Director Lynn Hobson, Author/Publicist/Director Jazz Young, Music/Marketing/Professor Tracey Moore, Casting Director/Producer Cardan, Grammy Award Winning Writer/Sony Walter Miller, VH1's Black Ink/Photographer Sway Calloway, Journalist/Sway's Universe Michael "Boogie" Pinckney, Director/Producer, p.g.a Kells Barnett, Fashion Desginer/Harlem Haberdashery Marlo "Topchef" Miller, Industry Songwriter Nikisha Bailey, UMG/The Recording Academy LaVarro Jones, Filmmaker/Director/Editor Priscilya Hawkes, Entertainment Lawyer Tasha Smith, Director/Producer/Actor Ash Cash, Financial Educator/Author Ryan Leslie, Artist/Entrepreneur Sigourney Salley, VH1/Stylist Josh Barker, Amsterdam News

### reviews.

"You remind me of me. This was therapeutic. Thanks for having me." - Sway Calloway, Journalist/Sway's Universe

> "What you're doing is awesome." - O.V.B. , Daily News

"No one in NYC is doing what you're doing! It's necessary!" - Nikisha Bailey, Universal Music Group/ The Recording Academy

"The professionalism and quality of Connects is irreplaceable!" - Ash Cash, Author & Financial Educator

"Please keep doing what you are doing, we need people like you if we are to succeed." - LaVarro Jones, Filmmaker/Director/Editor

> "Great being here. It was phenomenal." - J.B., Amsterdam News

"Connects had the greatest turn out this week. So happy to work with you."

- Harlem Arts Alliance

"Thanks so much for your tips...so helpful."

- Johnny Voltik & 86 Supreme, Musician/Band "Connects is what the industry needs!" - Cardan, Grammy Award Winning Songwriter/Artist

"What you're doing is special." - Rhadames Julian, Director/Producer "Connects was great! So many talented artists in NYC." -Lafayette Stokely, Artist/Musician

"So innovative and forward thinking. " - Marlo Top Chef, Industry Songwriter/Producer archives . photos & videos available on site.



Fresh Like Us Fashion Networking w/ Sigourney Salley & cast of VH1's Black Ink Crew.



Filmmakers' Kickback & Screening Featuring Dionna McMillian et al.



Film, Art, & Music Q&A Panel Disc. w/ Michael "Boogie" Pinckney, Wé McDonald et al.



Keynote Conversation with Nikisha Bailey (The Recording Academy) & Artist Showcase.

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Art, Mental Health, & Business Master Class w/ Ash Cash, MTV's Evan Spaulding, et al.



Personal/Professional Development Q&A w/ LaVarro Jones, Lynn Hobson, Okema T. Moore et al.



Keynote Conversation with Sway Calloway & Music Showcase.



Independent Filmmakers' Screening w/ Jermel Howard of Marvel's Luke Cage, et al.



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