



SHARROD WILLIAMS

JOEY ROSARIO

LOVE. FRIENDSHIP. SECRETS.

# NEIGHBORS



COCOA DUSTED MEDIA PRESENTS...

# NEIGHBORS



PREMIERED FALL 2020



EXECUTIVE PRODUCER/ CREATOR ..... SHARROD WILLIAMS  
RUNNING TIME..... 125 MINS, 30 SECS  
GENRE ..... COMEDY/ DRAMA  
RATING ..... TV-MA  
YEAR ..... 2020  
LANGUAGE ..... ENGLISH  
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN ..... UNITED STATES  
FORMAT ..... 1920X1080, 24FPS, SOUND 5.1  
DISTRIBUTION ..... REVRY | BROADCAST  
LINKS ..... OFFICIAL WEBSITE: [WWW.NEIGHBORS-SERIES.COM](http://WWW.NEIGHBORS-SERIES.COM)

INSTAGRAM: [INSTAGRAM.COM/NEIGHBORS SERIES](https://www.instagram.com/neighbors_series)

**NEIGHBORS REACHED OVER 708,000 VIEWS ON YOUTUBE!**





# **SYNOPSIS**

***“A LOVE NOTE TO FRIENDSHIP IN THE TOUGHEST OF TIMES...”***

**UNEMPLOYED NEIGHBORS AND BEST FRIENDS, SHARROD AND JOEY SOMEHOW FIND THEMSELVES IN A MESSY PANDEMIC OF THEIR OWN. UNEXPECTEDLY FALLING FOR WHITE BOYS WAS NEVER IN THEIR PLANS. BUT AFTER THINGS GO SOUTH FOR SHARROD AND ASHER, A HEARTBROKEN SHARROD MAKES A HUGE MISTAKE WITH JOEY'S NEW BEAU AND NEIGHBOR, CAMERON. JOEY DISCOVERS THEIR INFIDELITY AFTER THE SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY HE THROWS FOR SHARROD AND WALKS AWAY, THREATENING THEIR DECADE LONG FRIENDSHIP FOR GOOD. A SELF-PROCLAIMED “REDEMPTION TOUR”, NEW JOB, AND NEW LOVE INTERESTS WON'T ERASE IT ALL. SHARROD STRUGGLES TO CHOOSE BETWEEN HIS GROWING REAL FEELINGS FOR CAMERON OR DOING THE RIGHT THING BY HIS BEST IN HOPES OF ONE DAY BEING FORGIVEN.**





# THE CAST



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# FILM FESTIVALS & AWARDS



**"AWARD OF MERIT"**  
THE INDIEFEST FILM AWARDS 2021



**"BEST EPISODIC OR TV PILOT"**  
BOWERY FILM FESTIVAL 2021



**"FESTIVAL FAVORITE"**  
CINEMA DIVERSE

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## OFFICIAL SELECTIONS:



- NEW FILMMAKERS NY - JAN 2021
- LA BLACK FILM FESTIVAL — JAN 2021
- SEATTLE INT'L FILM FESTIVAL — MAR 2021
- HARLEM INT'L FILM FESTIVAL — APR 2021
- BIG APPLE FILM FESTIVAL — MAY 2021
- DANCES WITH FILMS FESTIVAL — AUG 2021
- NY LATINO FILM FESTIVAL — SEPT 2021
- CINEMA DIVERSE — SEPT 2021
- BALTIMORE INT'L FILM FESTIVAL — OCT 2021
- BOWERY FILM FESTIVAL — NOV 2021
- SF QUEER FILM FESTIVAL — AUGUST 2022



# PRESS



**“PANDEMIC PIVOT: MUNY PERFORMER USES THEATRE SHUTDOWN TO PRODUCE WEB SERIES”**

BY. ANGELA HUTTI



**“BOWERY FILM FESTIVAL CELEBRATES RETURN...”**

BY. VILDANA KHAMIDULLINA



**“9 LGBTQ+ WEB SERIES...”**

BY. ALICE LINEHAN



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# THE CREATIVES



**SHARROD WILLIAMS** (EXECUTIVE PRODUCER, CREATOR) IS A MULTI-HYPHENATE BASED IN NYC. TV SERIES LEAD DEBUT! TV/FILM: "NEIGHBORS" (EXECUTIVE PRODUCER, WRITER, LEAD), EVERY RIGHT (PRODUCER, EDITOR, LEAD), BETTER NATE THAN EVER (DISNEY+), HAPPY, YUMMY, CHICKEN. BROADWAY: HAMILTON (CHICAGO), CATS, TUCK EVERLASTING. OFF-BWAY: GRAND HOTEL (ENCORES!). TOURS: PIERRE IN THE NORTH AMERICAN TOUR OF MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL. A CHORUS LINE, BRING IT ON. "KEEP GOING."  
@SHARRODSHARROD7



**GIUSEPPE BAUSILIO** (DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY) WAS BORN AND RAISED IN BERN, SWITZERLAND. BROADWAY: HAMILTON (CHARLES LEE). GIUSEPPE STARRED AS "ALFIE" ON THE NEXT STEP (HULU). HE HAS DIRECTED AND FILMED FOR ARTISTS AS TOMMAR WILSON, DANIEL BREAKER (TONY AWARD WINNER), AND JOANNA JONES. @GIUSEPPEBAUSILIOPRODUCTIONS



**DESHAWN BOWENS** (DIRECTOR) IS AN ACTOR, DIRECTOR BASED IN NEW YORK CITY. BFA: ELON UNIVERSITY. CURRENTLY 1<sup>ST</sup> NAT'L TOUR OF MEAN GIRLS. @DESHAWNBOWENS



**ELISABETH WILLIS** (DIRECTOR) IS AN ACTOR, WRITER, DIRECTOR, AND COMMUNITY MINDED ACTIVIST LIVING IN NYC. BFA: MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY. @THECONSCIOUSCURL.



# DIRECTOR



**DANIEL GAYMON (RESIDENT DIRECTOR) IS A MULTI HYPHENATE PERFORMER AND CREATOR FROM COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA. SINCE BEGINNING HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER, HE HAS PERFORMED ON BROADWAY (CATS, THE LION KING, HAMILTON) AND ON THE SCREEN (LA LA LAND, VICE, SNL). MOST RECENTLY, DANIEL HAS EXERCISED HIS TALENTS AS A FILMMAKER DIRECTING WEB-SERIES AND SHORT FILMS, AND MOST RECENTLY PRODUCED HIS FIRST SHORT FILM WHICH IS SET TO MAKE ITS FILM FESTIVAL DEBUT THIS SPRING. CURRENTLY RESIDING IN NYC, DANIEL CONTINUES TO USE HIS TALENTS ON THE STAGE, SCREEN AND BEHIND THE SCENES TO SHAPE THE WORLD WITH HIS VISIONARY STORYTELLING. @DANIELGAYMON/ @DNLGYMN**

# STATEMENT

**GRATEFUL. I AM FOREVER GRATEFUL TO BE THE RESIDENT DIRECTOR OF THIS BRILLIANT SHOW, ALONGSIDE MY FELLOW "NEIGHBORS" AND SEASON 1 DIRECTORS, DESHAWN BOWENS AND ELIZABETH WILLIS. STARTING MY DIRECTING JOURNEY DURING A PANDEMIC WITH SUCH INCREDIBLE ARTISTS HAS BEEN AN EXPERIENCE I WILL NEVER FORGET. AS AN AFRICAN AMERICAN MAN, I CAN'T STATE HOW MUCH IT HAS MEANT TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY WHERE I CAN DISCOVER AND HONE MY VOICE AS A VISUAL STORYTELLER. IT'S BEEN EYE-OPENING LEARNING SO MUCH ABOUT THE BIG PICTURE AS A WHOLE WITHIN AN EPISODIC SERIES, AS WELL AS THE MINUTE DETAILS IN CRAFTING A STORY.**

**THOUGH I'M NOT A PART OF THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY, I AM AN ALLY WHO BELIEVES IN THE NEED FOR THESE STORIES. IT IS SO IMPERATIVE THAT BLACK AND OTHER MARGINALIZED VOICES ARE REPRESENTED. WE AS A TEAM REALLY AIMED TO DEPICT THIS CULTURAL AND HUMAN EXPERIENCE IN THE MOST AUTHENTIC WAY. MY DIRECTORIAL GOAL WAS ALWAYS TO HANDLE THIS STORY AND IT'S EASILY LOVABLE CHARACTERS WITH GREAT CARE, ALL THE WAY UP UNTIL THE STORIES' EARNED, YET TRAGIC CONCLUSION. I'M EXTREMELY PROUD OF OUR SERIES AND #TheNeighborhood.**



# MUSIC



**NEIGHBORS: Season 1**

Official Playlist for new web series called NEIGHBORS. Season Premiere - Fall 2020!

**Sharrod Williams**

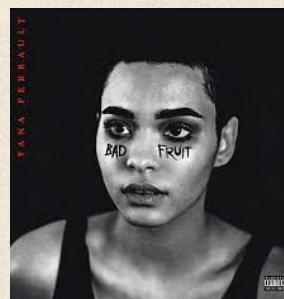
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Enhance

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- 12:21 Yana Perrault
- Alright Brittany Campbell
- brutus. Phil., HeyYoungiLL
- Champion Brittany Campbell, Phil.
- Close Amber Tiara
- Come Thru Hailes, Jonathan Singletary

**NEIGHBORS IS PROUD TO ONLY USE MUSIC PRODUCED BY INDEPENDENT/ UP-AND-COMING ARTISTS OF COLOR - MANY OF WHICH ARE FRIENDS OF THE CREATOR, SHARROD. THESE ARTISTS SOUNDS AMPLIFY THE STORYTELLING — WHICH IS ROOTED IN A HARMONIOUS BLEND OF CULTURE, VIBES, AND ONE-OF-A-KIND SOUNDS.**





# PRODUCER STATEMENT

**GAY, GIFTED, AND BLACK — AN EXISTENCE I'VE COME TO OWN AND LOVE. NEIGHBORS WAS BIRTHED IN THE MIDST OF A PANDEMIC BY A FAMILY OF FIRST-TIME FILMMAKERS. IT IS A REFLECTION OF MY EXPERIENCE AND TAKE ON LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP VIA THE QUEER EXPERIENCE. HOLDING SPACE FOR THE BLACK, BROWN, AND QUEER VOICES IS SOMETHING NOT SEEN ENOUGH IN THE TV AND FILM INDUSTRY. THEREFORE, TELLING THIS STORY ROOTED IN TRUTH, NORMALIZES THE DEPICTION OF QUEER FOLKS *AS REAL PEOPLE, DOING REAL THINGS*. IT HAS BECOME A LIFE CHANGING, PASSION PROJECT AND WORK THAT IS SO NEEDED. MORE TO SAY, MORE TO DO AND COCOA DUSTED MEDIA IS EXCITED FOR ALL THAT IS TO COME!**

**-SHARROD, EP/CREATOR**



**Cocoa Dusted Media**

**COCOA DUSTED MEDIA IS A PRODUCTION COMPANY CREATED IN 2020 BY SHARROD WILLIAMS. THE IDEA OF "COCOA DUSTING" SYMBOLIZES THAT UNIQUE, ONE-OF-A-KIND MAGIC THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR SPRINKLE INTO EVERYTHING THEY DO IN LIFE. NEIGHBORS IS CDM'S FIRST, AWARD-WINNING PROJECT. OUR GOAL: TO AMPLIFY AND ULTIMATELY CONTINUE NORMALIZING TELLING STORIES BY QUEER AND BLACK-N-BROWN FOLX. @COCOADUSTED**



# CREDITS

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### SHARROD

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### ASHER

CHRISTOPHER RICE

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ELISABETH WILLIS

### LAUREN

GIZEL JIMENEZ

### BRANDON

BRANDON NASE

### MARCO

JUAN CABALLER

### SALEESHA

SHAUNICE ALEXANDER

### MOM

AMANDA SERRANO

## CREW

### EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

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