

## This Is The Book Every Student, Especially Black Students Should Read In 2021

The Write Way To Heal By Joshua Bovill & Rodrekous Hunter Is A Book Black Students Can See Themselves In

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA, UNITED STATES, January 1, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- When Rodrekous Hunter and Joshua Bovill embarked on the journey to write a book, they knew it had to be different. They both grew up as lowincome, inner-city kids and often struggled to find their place in a school system they felt did not understand them, their culture, or the way they learned. Joshua often tells the story of the first time he ever read a book. Up until 7th grade, the first book he ever read was Tears Of A Tiger. As a middle school teacher, Joshua is very aware of the literacy gap amongst African American students like himself. He also recognizes that one of the primary reasons for this gap is the scarcity of representation. When students can see themselves in what they are reading, their interest and retention is greatly increased. The reason he read Tears Of A Tiger in 7th grade was because it was the first book he ever felt connected to. That's why when Joshua and Rodrekous began writing The Write Way To Heal, they vowed to create a story that all students, especially African American students could see themselves in. The book

Deon Sanders is not a football player. In fact, he's not even an athlete. He is a poet. A very good poet. The only problem is Deon doesn't live in the type of neighborhood nor does he attend the type of school where poetry is cool. Deon lives in one of the worst neighborhoods in the city, often passing by gangs and drugs, before making it to his front door. Deon doesn't have much, but there are three things he lives for. His mom, his best friends, and his journal. He also has his English Teacher, that notices his writing potential and enters Deon into a competition that could lead to a college scholarship. After a tragedy one night, everything changes in Doors life, leaving him to make a choice that could change his life forever. Will he choose the streets or will he choose his journal?



ABOOT THE AUTHORS Authors Rodrelsous & Josh first met in college as roommates. They immediately became close friends, united by their similar childhood. Both Josh & Rodrekous gew up as low income inner city kids. However, they both used the power of their imagination to escape the reality of their environment. After meeting in college, they founded Coastal Carolina University's first ever PEACE (Performers Emerging Above Circumstances to Excel) Club to help other students gain a platform to express themselves. The organization went on to win multiple awards, including the NAACP Organization On The Rise Award. Rodrekous currently serves as the President for PEACE Nation, LLC, an independent record label designed to help local artists gain exposure, Josh is a Teacher, Football Coach, and Athletic Director. He is also the owner of Rock Hill Video Company in Rock Hill South Carolina.

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Authors Josh Bovill & Rodrekous Hunter Aim To Decrease The Black Literacy Gap

release will also be accompanied by the Write Way hip-hop album and the launch of the nonprofit organization, <u>Write Way Foundation</u>. The Write Way Foundation's mission is to use the power of mentorship, creative writing and hip-hop to decrease the minority literacy gap.

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If you would like more information about this event or would like to donate, please visit <u>www.writewayfoundation.org</u> or email at info@writewayfoundation.org.

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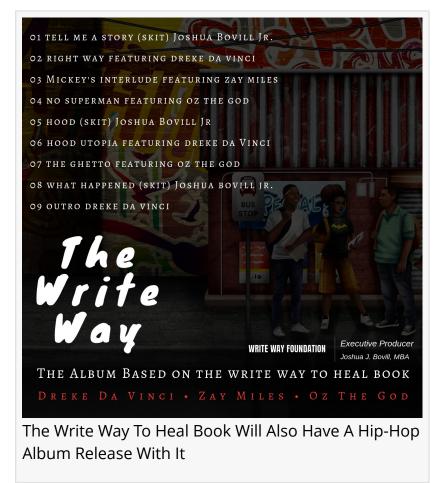
He is also the owner of Rock Hill Video Company, LLC in Rock Hill South Carolina. He is married to his college sweetheart, Charley Bovill. They have one son, Josh Jr and expecting another.

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