

TERRI J. VAUGHN

Actor | Director | Creator of Purposeful Vibes

Terri J. Vaughn is the definition of multi-hyphenate magic. A three-time NAACP Image Award winner, she broke out as America's favorite homegirl, Lovita Alizé Jenkins, on *The Steve Harvey Show* — and she's been stealing scenes and stacking credits ever since.

From cult classics like *Friday* and *Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking your Juice in the Hood*, to bold TV hits like *Soul Food*, *All of Us*, and *Meet The Browns*, Terri has always brought heart, humor, and tons of charisma to the screen. She's given life to recurring characters on Ava DuVernay's *Cherish The Day*, BounceTV's *Johnson*, and HBO's *Insecure*, where her recurring guest role as Rose Cranberry, was so memorable it spun off into the hit comedic podcast series, *We Stay Looking* — a Webby Award winner (x3!) produced by Issa Rae's Raedio and TenderfootTV.

In 2025, Terri's shaking up Netflix as Antoinette Dunkerson in *Miss Governor* — the sharp, satirical comedy series she co-created with Niya Palmer and entertainment mogul Tyler Perry.

Behind the camera, Terri is a force. She's directed everything from soul-stirring dramas, like *Kingdom Business* and courtroom dramas like *Reasonable Doubt*, to laugh-out-loud holiday hits, like *'Twas The Chaos Before Christmas*, *Christmas Belles* and even brought Hallmark its first-ever Gracie Award with *Unthinkably Good Things*, shot on location in beautiful Rome, Italy. Her signature? Real characters, great vibes, and stories that feel like home.

Her directing credits span several projects for BET, Paramount, ABC Studios, Disney, Viacom, and Hulu —including the kid's classic *Bunk'd*. She made her directorial debut with the self-produced indie hit *#DigitalLivesMatter*, bringing together viral comedy stars like DC Young Fly and B. Simone for a modern-day *Friday*.

As co-founder of Nina Holiday Entertainment, Terri has produced over 16 projects with longtime creative partner Cas Sigers. In 2025, Terri branched off launched ***TJV Enterprises*** — debuting her original Netflix series *Miss Governor* and setting the stage for what's next in her ever-evolving creative empire.

Terri J. Vaughn is not just showing up — she's building legacy, shifting culture, and creating lasting impact, all while leading with joy, heart and authenticity.

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