## Press Release

### For Immediate Release:

That Old Black
Magic: Essays,
Images & Verse on
the Joys of Loving
Black Men
by
D. Anne Browne

African Holistic Health), Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson (author of The Assassination of the Black Male Image, Mr. Tyrone Powers (author of Eyes To My Soul: The Rise or Decline of a Black FBI Agent), Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke, Mr. Nate Howard (Producer: Maryland Public Television), Ms. Jeanette Davis-Adeshote` (author of Black Survival in White America) and actor, activist Mr. Ossie Davis.

D. Anne Browne announces the completion of her latest book, That Old Black Magic: Essays, Images & Verse on the Joys of Loving Black **Men** People will find it wonderfully refreshing and in-tuned with what is really happening among Black men (and women) in today's world. It erases many of the distorted views held by men and women of each other and presents, for once, the darker reasons why Black men and Black women relate to each other as they do. It will certainly cause many women to do some serious soul searching about their real futures with Black men; and at last, cause Black men to rethink why they do what they do, often to the detriment of themselves and the women they love.

That Old Black Magic has already received written endorsements from **Dr. Liaila O. Afrika** (Author of

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The purpose of this book is simple. It is to say to him what America has refused to say. That is, thank you. Thank you for your courage, strength, beauty and creative genius. Most of all, the purpose of this book is to proclaim that Black men do matter. Despite who you are, what you think you've achieved, whatever your goals and aspirations, the crisis of the Black man in America directly effects you. Among other things, it has produced two fundamental questions. Firstly, if Black women do not love Black men; who will? Secondly, if Black women should not love Black men; who should they love? - D. Anne Browne

"I find in it a cultural profile of us as Black people that is of inestimable value. Knowledge such as you provide is indeed the beginning of wisdom and power."- Mr. Ossie Davis(Actor/Activist)

"D. Anne Browne has written a sensitive, healing guide that aims to steer Black men and women away from the self-destructive blame game in relationships. It is a plea for them to build on their historic foundation of love and struggle and to discover the collective strengths that will enable them to overcome the social and psychic damage of racism and self-hate. This is a much needed work that tells Black men and women what they are doing right. It is a must read for all those concerned about charting a new path to gender peace and progress among African Americans."- Dr. Earl Ofari **Hutchinson** (Author of The Assassination of the Black Male Image)

"This is a fine companion piece to D. Anne Browne's previous guide for African American women. The strategies she presents here to promote the empowerment and self respect of African American men are both instructive and inspiring." - **Kurt L. Schmoke** (Mayor, City of Baltimore)

### endorsements...



"D. Anne Browne pierces through the veneer of superficiality into the heart of Black make psyche' and sexuality... Every Black man and woman should read and heed her advice." - Ms. Jeanette Davis-Adeshote` (Author of Black Survival in White America)

"The knowledge contained in your book can provide some inner healing that must take place before our country can truly recover from the disease of racism. As you have detailed quite enthusiastically, racism is not a Black or White issue. It is not a condition unique to any particular culture. It is a manifestation of ignorance and the desire of others to control the self-image of another human being. Thank you for the opportunity to read a book I am sure others will add to their arsenal of defense in the war of equality." - Mr. Nate Howard (Maryland Public Television)

"Certainly, there is a point when the majority of us come to realize that the "us on us" verbal attacks become counterproductive and a more analytical solution oriented approach is sought out. Your book allows us this approach and more."- Mr. Tyrone Powers (Educator and Author of Eyes To My Soul: The Rise or Decline of a Black FBI Agent)

# **Suggested Interview Questions**

 $\dot{E}$  Is your book only for Black men?

 $\grave{E}$  What is unique or different about your book?

È What is the essence or the most important elements in your book?

È Who should read your book?

È What would you hope people do differently after reading your book?

ÈHow might people misinterpret your book?

È Why did you write this book?

To arrange an interview, empowerment workshop or speaking engagement, contact

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#### Author, D. Anne Browne



Empowerment and self love have been the driving force for D. Anne Browne since she began her writing career in 1979. It was during that year she began to spread the gospel of health and fitness to the African Ameri-

can community. It was through a series of articles titled, "For The Health of It." By the mid 1980's D. Anne began to notice how the literature of the time encouraged an analytical approach to the universality of human development. In response to the needs of the African American community, D. Anne began to focus her thinking and her writing on the concepts of self actualization. By the early 1990's her first literary attempt was to

provide "self help" material which did not endorse a morbid fascination with the suffering of others as a precursor to development. D. Anne has already realized her dreams of becoming a competitive bodybuilder, free-lance writer, commercial artist, computer programmer, personal trainer and physical therapist assistant. Her first book (You Can Get There From Here: Life Lessons On Growth & Self Discovery For The Black Woman), though not autobiographical was based on many of her personal beliefs. Encouraged by the success of that book, D. Anne began to shift her thinking to ways of addressing the crisis between African American men and women. Through careful research and interviews, D. Anne began to compile a body of work which not only addressed many social issues facing African Americans overall. She has taken her work a step further by examining the Black male psyche and sexuality, the manifestation of cultural ignorance in American society and the patterns of self destruction which have plagued African American communities. D. Anne Browne directs and dedicates her work,

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