Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Angela Yee

Overview of the Collection

Repository: The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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Creator: Yee, Angela, 1976-

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Angela Yee,

Dates: April 28, 2022

Bulk Dates: 2022

Physical Description: 10 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:50:00).

Abstract: Radio personality and entrepreneur Angela Yee (1976 -) is a co-host of the morning

radio show The Breakfast Club on WWPR-FM Power 105. The Breakfast Club and its hosts were inducted into the Radio Hall of Fame in 2020. Yee was interviewed by The

HistoryMakers® on April 28, 2022, in New York, New York. This collection is

comprised of the original video footage of the interview.

Identification: A2022 046

Language: The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Radio personality and entrepreneur Angela Yee was born on January 3, 1976, in Brooklyn, New York. She received her B.A. degree in English in 1997 from Wesleyan University, in Middletown, Connecticut.

Yee became an intern at Wu-Tang Management in 1996, and assistant to the CEO, Divine, in 1997. During this time, she worked in artist management for artists including 360, GZA, and Jay Electronica. Yee then worked at Shady Limited, a clothing company owned by Paul Rosenberg and rapper Eminem. In 2005, Yee became a co-host of *The Cipha Sounds Effect* show on Sirius Satellite Radio's Shade 45 Channel. She also worked as a correspondent on the MTV/MTV2 show *Sucker Free* in 2006. Yee began hosting *The Breakfast Club* morning show with Charlamagne Tha God and DJ Envy in 2010 on WWPR-FM Power 105. In 2013, she was a cast member on the VH1 reality show *The Gossip Game*. Yee's podcast *Lip Service* premiered in 2015. In 2016, Yee and co-host DJ Envy opened a juice bar in Brooklyn, New York. In 2017, she founded Angela Yee's Book Club. She became a BSE Global Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement (DICE) Ambassador in 2019. Yee launched a specialty coffee brand, Coffee Uplifts People (CUP), in 2020, and opened its first brick-and-mortar store in Brooklyn in 2021. She became the host of the television show *Established with Angela Yee* in 2020. Yee has appeared on television shows including *Dave, First Wives Club, The Gossip Game, Queens*, and *Empire*.

Yee serves on the board of the American Foundation for the University of the West Indies. In 2013, she joined the organization Dress for Success.

In 2014, *The Breakfast Club* won the New York State Broadcasters Association's Outstanding On-Air Broadcast Personality or Team Award. Yee was named the first ambassador for the New York Public Library in 2016. She received the iHeartRadio Urban Personality of the Year Award in 2017. In 2018, Yee received the Vice Chancellor's Achievement Award from the University of the West Indies. In 2018, New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio declared August 28, 2018, Angela Yee Day. In 2019, Yee received the Gracie Award from the Alliance for

Women in Media. *The Breakfast Club* was inducted into the Radio Hall of Fame in August 2020 alongside its hosts, Angela Yee, Charlamagne Tha God, and DJ Envy. In 2020, Yee also was the recipient of the Airblazer Award from the Mentoring and Inspiring Women in Radio (MIW) Group and the Gracie Award from the Alliance for Women in Media.

Angela Yee lives in Brooklyn, New York.

Angela Yee was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on April 28, 2022.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Angela Yee was conducted by Julieanna L. Richardson on April 28, 2022, in New York, New York, and was recorded on 10 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Radio personality and entrepreneur Angela Yee (1976 -) is a co-host of the morning radio show The Breakfast Club on WWPR-FM Power 105. The Breakfast Club and its hosts were inducted into the Radio Hall of Fame in 2020.

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Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Yee, Angela, 1976-

Richardson, Julieanna L. (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Yee, Angela, 1976---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Radio Personality

HistoryMakers® Category:

MediaMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

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