OUR HOSTS

RIANA

Riana has seen many sides of the gaming industry first-hand, from localization & production to game marketing. With credits including Halo 5, Ori 1 & 2, and Tell Me Why, her game dev experience runs the gamut of large and niche titles.

Riana has also combined her diversity, equity, and inclusion education with her passion for games in her many appearances on shows such as What's Good Games, Kinda Funny, and Inside Gaming. Always looking for a new challenge, she has recently joined the team re-launching the 64 Network and is looking forward to sharing her love of games with an even broader audience.

KAHLIEF

Born and raised in the Bronx, Kahlief is an avid technophile and lover of all things video games. He set his career path in the direction of a life making games until he found out his archenemies, Math, had other plans in store. So instead he created an award-winning gaming podcast called Spawn On Me with Kahlief Adams.

Spawn On Me Podcast with Kahlief Adams has been downloaded over 1.5 million times and can be heard in over 120 countries. Kahlief and the show have been featured in publications like NY Times, Polygon, IGN, Gamespot, Forbes and NYMag.

Kahlief and Spawn On Me have been recently featured as one of the Game Awards Future Class for their conversations around race and games.

Twitter: 20,500
ABOUT THE SHOW

The Spawnies is a celebration of the convergence of developers, publishers, public relations, games and the gaming community around this pastime we love. I want our show to give a space for developers to talk about the process of making these pieces of art. To give a space for creators you’ve loved for years alongside new faces. I want our show to be a place where world premieres happen so we can surprise + delight new fans in our space. I want this show to also be a place where culture that is often pushed to sides takes the stage front and center.

The Spawnies is a unique awards show, honoring the flavor and spice of the gaming industry. You’re a part of that flavor, and we need your help.

The Spawnies is the first gaming award show in history to feature two black hosts, industry veterans Riana Manuel and Kahlief Adams. Our show will be the first in gaming to break that barrier and we want you along for the ride!

We are the culture!
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