



# ONIKA MCLEAN

ACTOR - COMEDIAN - WRITER - INFLUENCER



# WHO IS ONIKA MCLEAN?

A woman with short dark hair, wearing a dark top and large hoop earrings, is performing on stage. She is holding a microphone and looking towards the left. The background is dark with some blurred lights, suggesting a stage setting.

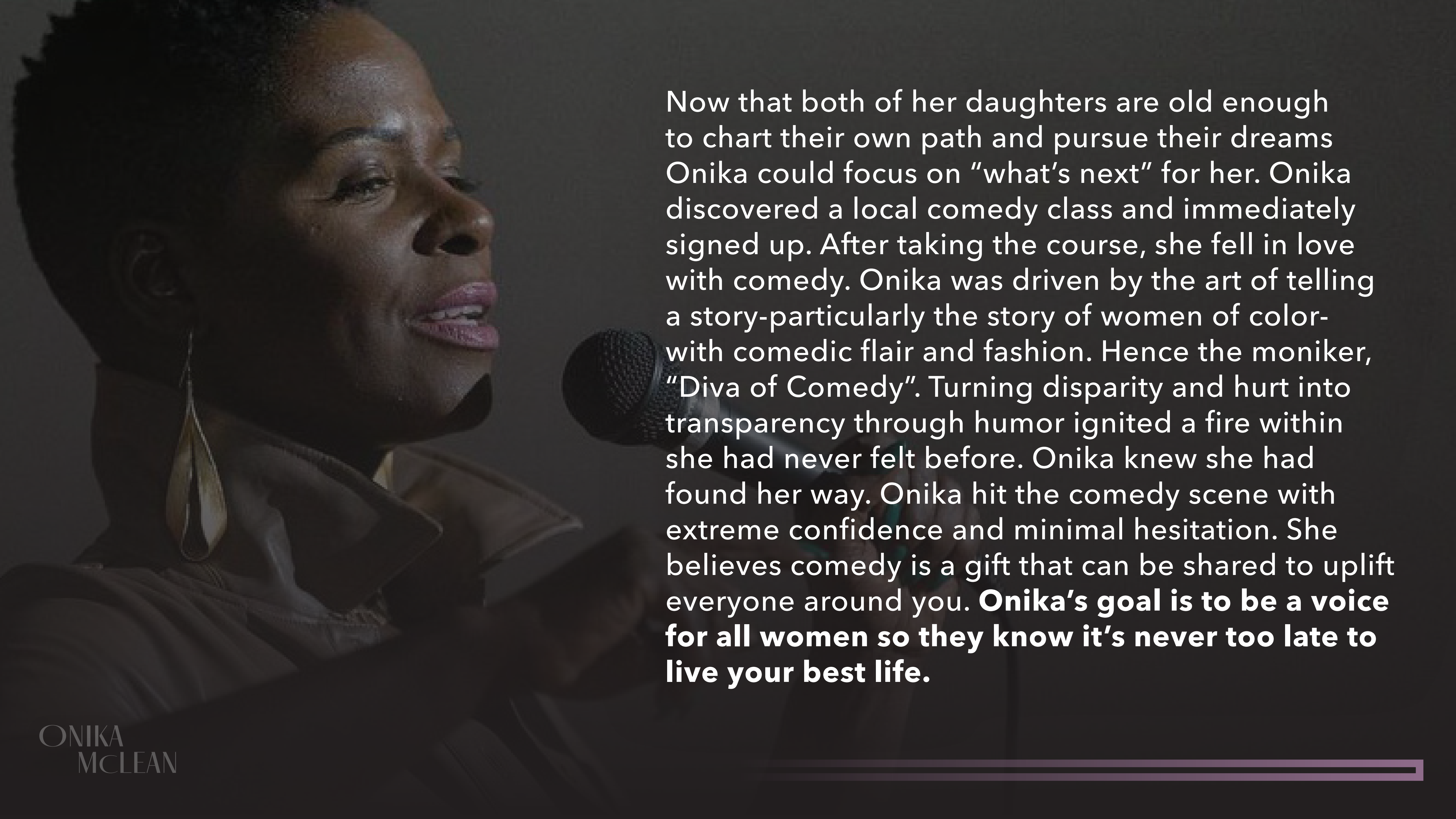
Onika McLean is the life of every party. When she enters the room you're encapsulated by her beauty and charm. Onika was drawn to the performing arts, envisioning herself on stage, television and ultimately on the big screen. She started out interviewing herself in the mirror, creating scenarios that required witty and spontaneous responses. As the jokester of her family, Onika combined life experiences and humor to discover the levity in every situation.

Onika was married at a young age, far before her frontal lobe was fully developed. It was a tumultuous relationship some would even say toxic. Onika will be the first to tell you that 2 of her greatest accomplishments were born of that union. At this juncture, Onika realized life wasn't one of her mirror fantasies and she was going to have to make some adult decisions. Raising her daughters to become strong, confident, educated and independent women was paramount. Onika exposed her daughters and afforded them opportunities she did not have growing up. In essence, she put her dreams on hold.





Onika was born and spent her formative years in Raeford, North Carolina. She is very proud of being a “country girl”. At the tender age of 9 her family migrated up North and settled in East New York, Brooklyn. Growing up in Boulevard Houses helped shape and mold Onika. The combination of book smarts and street smarts helped Onika in every facet of life. She did not allow her environment to define her future. Onika enrolled in “America Works” program, which led to her desire to pursue a law career. In the interim, she took acting classes never fully letting go of her true passion. An opportunity arose for Onika’s employer to subsidize her college education. Once again she put her dream on hold opting to take the “safe route” and pursue her Bachelor’s Degree in Legal Studies. Today, Onika is the Managing Clerk/Paralegal Supervisor for one of the top law firms in New York City.

A woman with short dark hair, wearing a dark jacket and a large gold earring, is shown in profile from the chest up. She is speaking into a black microphone. The background is dark and out of focus.

Now that both of her daughters are old enough to chart their own path and pursue their dreams Onika could focus on “what’s next” for her. Onika discovered a local comedy class and immediately signed up. After taking the course, she fell in love with comedy. Onika was driven by the art of telling a story-particularly the story of women of color-with comedic flair and fashion. Hence the moniker, “Diva of Comedy”. Turning disparity and hurt into transparency through humor ignited a fire within she had never felt before. Onika knew she had found her way. Onika hit the comedy scene with extreme confidence and minimal hesitation. She believes comedy is a gift that can be shared to uplift everyone around you. **Onika’s goal is to be a voice for all women so they know it’s never too late to live your best life.**



# *ACHIEVEMENTS*

**Fan Favorite on Emmy Award Winning Bravo TV Show,**  
"The Single's Project" for Outstanding Creative Achievement  
In Interactive Media - Multiplatform Storytelling.

**WINNER of the Sloshed Comedy &**  
Risings Stars Comedy Competition in London, England

**Current co-host for the "Violently Funny" podcast**  
- focused on domestic violence & prevention.

**Current recurring host for LOL Times Square, NYC,**  
& ComedyStrip NYC

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# *SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE*

- + 11.5k Followers
- + 22.9k accounts reached (Oct 21')
- + 1.5k engagements on average
- + Following growth rate of 0.5% weekly
- + 28k content interactions (Sept-Dec 21')

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**When your cousin  
Melvin thinks he's a  
financial expert on  
TikTok**



# ***VIDEO MEDIA LINKS***

**SUPERBOWL WEEKEND:  
MEN TALK & WOMEN LISTEN**  
**Comedy Skit**

**4 LEVELS OF MILKSHAKES**  
**Epicurious Guest**

**THE TINY CUPBOARD**  
**Brooklyn, NYC**

**Nearly Departed**  
**Collaboration with Kim Alexis**





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# RECENT EVENTS + PRESS

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THURSDAY  
JUNE 17TH  
STAND UP 11PM

"BITS & SASS"  
A COMEDY SHOW!  
DOORS 9:30PM  
SHOW TIME 10PM

**BLACK WOMEN  
IN COMEDY  
LAFF  
FEST**

108SOUL  
THE SOUL OF NEW YORK

SATURDAY  
JAN 23

**Virtual Show**  
COMEDY IML #882

TO PURCHASE TICKETS AND SHOW INFO GO TO [108SOUL.COM](http://108SOUL.COM)

TICKETS ARE ONLY \$10  
MUSIC BY DJ TUBAL CAIN & DJ SQRE

PERFORMING LIVE  
ONIKA MCCLEAN, MARK GREGORY,  
NICKY SUNSHINE, DREW FRASER  
HOSTED BY JAMIE ROBERTS  
SHOWTIME 8PM

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The  
**BIRTHDAY  
BRUNCH** of  
*Onika McLean*

sunday **OCT 3**

SHOWTIME 3PM

**THE STAND**  
RESTAURANT · COMEDY CLUB  
116 EAST 16TH STREET / NEW YORK NY

TICKETS: [THESTANDNYC.COM](http://THESTANDNYC.COM)

**FOOLS CIRCLE**

COMEDY · MUSIC · VIBES

HOT TOPICS: *Pop Culture is just expired Black culture.*

**NIGGAS TO WATCH**

**60 Black Comedians  
Who Are Funny In Front  
of Black Audiences**

No tokens on this list!





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