



### **Kwame Damon Mason – Film Director, Consultant, NHL**

Kwame Damon Mason has been working in the Canadian entertainment industry since 1996. Kwame got his name out there thanks to popular radio stations like KISS 92.5 in Toronto where he hosted a 2 hour hip hop and R&B mix show Da Vibe and in February 2001 Kwame became the weekend announcer on Toronto's first urban radio station FLOW 93.5.

In addition to hosting, Kwame used his experience and expertise to help launch countless radio stations across Canada and has co-hosted with some of Canada's most well-known DJs and stars like former NHL tough guy George Laraque.

Always wanting a new challenge, Kwame recently completed his first feature documentary film Soul On Ice: Past, Present & Future, a documentary about the history and contribution of black athletes in hockey. The film won best picture at the 2015 Edmonton International Film Festival and recently had its American television debut on the NHL Network.

No stranger to hard work and perseverance, Kwame sacrificed everything he had to make his debut film, including selling his home and moving back from Alberta to Ontario. The time had come to invest in himself and pursue one of his biggest dreams.

The film has taken Kwame all over North America, being a part of multiple festivals, screenings and speaking engagements. His experience has included an exclusive NHL screening in Washington, DC with Gary Bettman and the Washington Capitals.

Up next for Kwame is a 30 city tour of the film in conjunction with the NHL to continue to showcase his film focusing on diversity in the sport of hockey. Kwame hopes to continue to create culturally vital documentary projects, showcasing diversity, history and the untold stories of those who need to be heard.

Kwame currently lives in Toronto, Canada.

### Film Synopsis

Soul on Ice: past, present & future is a feature length documentary about the history and contributions of black athletes in the game of hockey from the late 1800's with the Colored Hockey league of the Maritimes to the current players in the NHL