**James R. Carey – Bio**

James R. Carey is an Atlanta-based filmmaker, theatre director, performer, writer, educator — and lifelong traveler. His creative work is deeply informed by global experiences, with storytelling that bridges cultures and explores the emotional depth of human connection. From solo shows in southern Africa to film festivals across Europe and North America, Carey’s career spans five decades and multiple continents.

As a director and producer, his films have earned over 50 official selection laurels and multiple Best of Fest awards. His short film *Love Potion* won Best Mystery/Thriller at the 2024 Southern Shorts Awards, while other works such as *Divorce During Pandemic*, *Fancy Meeting You Here*, and *A Cost of Freedom* have been recognized internationally. His feature *Madly* is currently streaming on Amazon.

On stage, Carey has directed more than 100 productions, including *The Elephant Man*, *All My Sons*, *The Cherry Orchard*, and *MacBeth*. He served as Artistic Director for both The ATTIC Theatre Ensemble and SkyPilot Theatre Company in Los Angeles, and co-founded Hollywood Theatre Row, earning both a Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award and a Hollywood Arts Council “Charlie” Award.

As a performer, his credits include *Color Purple: The Musical*, *Iron Man 3*, *Division*, and television appearances on *Sons of Anarchy*, *General Hospital*, and *Young and the Restless*. His solo shows *Coming to Zimbabwe* and *Mi Casa Su Casa* have toured internationally, with invitations to PortFringe, Atlanta Fringe, Hollywood Fringe, and the Harare International Festival of Arts.

Carey is a Fulbright Specialist in Theatre and has taught at institutions including the New York Film Academy, Pepperdine University, and California State University–Long Beach. He has led international theatre tours and adjudicated national festivals, including judging over 10,000 students at the National Drama Festival in Zimbabwe.

He holds an MFA in Theatre Management, Cum Laude, and is the founder of ATTIC STUDIOS and the travel and lifestyle blog [TripsWithJames.com](http://www.tripswithjames.com). His first book, *Three Days in Hamburg & Other Stories*, is available on Amazon Kindle.