

Carlos Andrés Gómez

Carlos Andrés Gómez, a former social worker and teacher, has done over 100 college and university performances and toured across North America, Europe, the Caribbean, and Africa. He is the 2006 Toronto International Poetry Slam Champion and a two-time National Poetry Slam Finalist, as a member of the legendary Nuyorican Poets Café's Slam Team that finished 2nd and with the NYC/louderARTS Slam Team that finished 3rd in the U.S. He co-stars in Spike Lee's number one box office smash hit film *Inside Man* (Universal Pictures) with a lead role alongside Denzel Washington, Jodie Foster, and Clive Owen. Most recently, he performed on the sixth season of HBO's *Russell Simmons Presents Def Poetry*.

Gómez won a Rocky Mountain Emmy® Award for his starring role in the groundbreaking "Respect Yourself" television spots and appeared on the third season of the popular Showtime series *The L Word*. His first full-length CD, *Carlos Andrés Gómez: Live from New York*, was unanimously chosen as the winner of the 2006 L.A. Music Award for Spoken Word Album of the Year. A much sought-after performer in the national spotlight, he is one of the headline acts on the critically acclaimed, MTV-U sponsored *Fight Apathy National Tour*. Over the past 6 years, he has shared the stage with a diverse range of well-known musical acts and literary icons, including Wyclef Jean, Amiri Baraka, MC Lyte, Martín Espada, Toots and The Maytals, Immortal Technique, Reel Big Fish, Pete Rock, Saul Williams, and Mos Def.

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