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Author & Professional Speaker



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Adrian Miller is a two-time James Beard Award-winning author, culinary historian, and former attorney who served as a White House advisor.

Known for his humor, insight, and deep scholarship, Adrian uses food as a lens to explore history and identity—sparking inclusive dialogue, illuminating cultural complexity, and inspiring authentic leadership. His keynotes are a powerful fit for DEI initiatives, executive events, university programming, and teams ready for fresh, story-driven approaches to transformation.

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Offerings & Engagements

Speaking Presentations

Engaging presentations and **keynote speeches** that use food as a lens to explore American history, identity, and community—designed to **entertain**, **educate**, and **spark meaningful conversation** on how culinary experiences shape who we are.

Panel Moderation/ Participation

Expert participation as a panelist or skilled moderation for conversations on **diversity, equity, and inclusion, culinary history, and foodways as cultural bridges**—bringing humor, deep scholarship, and fresh perspective to your conferences, leadership summits, or community forums.

Freelance Writing/ Ghostwriting

Professional **culinary history** features, **thought-leadership** essays, and ghostwritten articles crafted with **narrative depth** and **cultural insight** for magazines, journals, and digital platforms seeking authoritative voices on **African American foodways** and **global culinary culture**.

Cooking Demonstrations

Dynamic cooking demonstrations that blend **vibrant storytelling** with **hands-on education**, creating **memorable, interactive experiences** while showcasing the rich history behind every dish.



- ★ 2014 & 2022 James Beard Foundation Book Award-Winner for Reference and Scholarship
- ★ 2018 NAACP Image Award Nominee
- ★ 2022 Colorado Book Award Winner
- ★ 2025 IPPY Award Winner

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CLIENT REVIEWS:

what they're saying

Nichole Olajuwon

Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Holland & Knight LLP



Our Juneteenth presentation just ended and we are already receiving **rave reviews**. It was **excellent, informative, interesting, and entertaining**. Adrian is so knowledgeable, kind, and clever that our moderators and viewers **deeply engaged** with him like we do not often get a chance to see. [Trinity is] so great at what [she does] that this program felt easy to produce. Many thanks to [them] both – **we hope to soon have an opportunity to work with [them] again**.

April Lambatos

Owner & COO, Footers Catering at Social Capitol



Wow! Adrian blew us away and exceeded all expectations. Adrian was able to deliver content on the challenging topics of race, racism, and slavery while **infusing humor to make it approachable**. Working with Adrian and Trinity has been a pleasure. They insured all details and timeline were confirmed to make for a **professional and successful experience**.

Cindy Logan

Kansas State University



[Adrian's] warm and engaging presence made an immediate impact. [His] presentation was **both educational and entertaining**, and he generously took the time to answer each question thoughtfully, displaying a casual and approachable demeanor that left everyone inspired. [Trinity's] support made the entire process a **smooth, seamless, and straightforward experience** from start to finish. **We would be thrilled to welcome Mr. Miller back anytime**.

Maximilian Shapiro

General Manager, etc. Restaurant Chicago



Working with Adrian was nothing short of delightful. His professionalism, knowledge, and stories of both, his time at the White House and the history of the event we recreated was **beyond educational**. From start to finish, his involvement in this collaboration **created a truly special evening** for all of those involved.

