

## **S6 E29: Shlouuu So Crazy**

(AJ II & Lou Young III)

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0:00 AJ: This week on *Max Out Time*, a special episode with one of the Kings of Comedy, a legend came through.

0:07 Intro Song: 'For The City'

0:43 Woman in audience speaking: My boyfriend and I have been together for 5 years, during these five years, I adopted four cats. So, recently he gave me this ultimatum, he said look, you got to choose between me and the cats. My question is, how can I get him to compromise between me and the cats to save our relationship?

1:00 Lou: In order for your relation...ship to stay afloat, you are going to have to rock the boat a little bit, you are going to have to tilt it, you flip the script, the cats stay or the kitty go. [audience applauds] Either the cats stay or the kitty gon leave! [Audience applauds].

1:39 Lou: Yeah yeah, what's up player.

1:42 AJ: Player to player, how you doing bruh?

1:46 Lou: I can't call it young buck. What's happening with ya?

1:50 AJ: My man Shleve, so what's going on this weekend? What we got? We got the Gators on? What are we wearing today, I know you're a fashion –

1:58 Lou: I got -- I got the now and later Gators on with the purple bonnet suit.

2:09 AJ: With the purple bonnet suit [haha]. My man Shleve, how's Ced and them doing?

2:12 Lou: What ya say there?

2:13 AJ: How's Ced and them doing? Ced and DL?

2:17 Lou: Oh ah man, they're all copacetic, I got to bring them up to my level, but we're all good.

2:22 AJ: Good man, copacetic, I'm going to have to look that one up, that's a Scripps spelling bee word.

2:27 Lou: Yeah, yeah, yeah that's the hood spelling bee.

2:30 AJ: [laughs] Okay, we going to have to take it to the hood. Ok, I got my man Shleve Harvey with me, otherwise known as Lou Young, my man Lou Young, out of the DMV but he is now in Atlanta doing this comedy thing. Shleve, Lou, thank you so much for being here.

2:50 Lou: I appreciate you having me here bro, I appreciate it.

2:52 AJ: Impersonations, where does that come from?

2:55 Lou: Just impersonating my family, friends, over the years playing ball, coaches, team mates. We are all kind of serious, always trying to have a little fun, whatever I'm doing, so pretty much, I started at a young age.

3:10 AJ: Who was the first one who really popped it off? I know you've been doing Shleve for a long time, we got Shlenzel, Shlannon Sharpe, the list goes on and on. Who really popped it off for you?

3:22 Lou: The one who really took it off when I went viral with the videos was the Shleve Harvey, once that went, all the other videos I've been doing, people went back and watched it. Now I have people who like this character and the other character. You know what I mean - now I have to schedule out which character I'mma do, it's pretty cool though.

3:53 AJ: You got so many in your repertoire, but the one like you said that popped off not only within social media and your following, but you even built a relationship with him.

4:03 Lou: Yeah, yeah, definitely, they contacted me through social media and then some of the people he worked with knew some of the people I knew, we connected and I went out there and did a family Tuesday with him and after that they signed me. Now, not only do I have a relationship, we're business partners and doing what I'm doing and he kind of guided my now my comedian career.

4:38 AJ: So one of your biggest mentors, you basically started out impersonating him.

4:44 Lou: Yeah, yeah, pretty much, that was the ice breaker, that's how we broke the ice right there.

4:49 AJ: That's the ice breaker. There's family feud Steve Harvey, there's don't mess up, I'm hosting Miss America Steve Harvey, comedian Steve Harvey. Are you including all of that in your act?

5:00 Lou: Um it's more so just kind of like putting my own little twist on it. I get an idea from basically him as a talent and what he does. Then I kind of get creative and put my own little twist on it but at same time, incorporating so that it's relative to people, but it's pretty cool though.

5:24 AJ: Steve is definitely an inspiration for like you said the business side, comedian, one of the best at the top to ever do it, period. What's the vision for you, what's your comedy going to be?

5:36 Lou: My vision is going to be you know basically to have my own show, not only impersonating but taking my own different ideas and or different things or funny things that happen in the world and putting my twist on it. Sketch comedy, improv -

5:50 AJ: Are you working to a Wildn' Out or a sketch comedy show or something of that nature?

5:55 Lou: Yeah, definitely in that field, I want to have my own thing. Ownership is big for me and get guided from that, especially being in movies and taking this thing to a whole other level.

6:14 AJ: So where you at right now? You're on your way to Tyler Perry studios right now? You're in ATL?

6:18 Lou: I'm in ATL. I just finished filming yesterday out at the Atlanta Bridge at the Coca Cola Roxy. I filmed there, did some skits with impact wrestling, that should be airing pretty

soon. We got some more things in the works, uh but uh a few others I can't say everything but we're working.

6:46 AJ: Okay, we're going to keep in under wraps. What about the actual acting? Outside of comedy, are there film roles also in the works?

6:52 Lou: Yeah, I mean well, they're definitely getting me ready with the acting classes so I know exactly what to expect and everything like that. But um we definitely getting some opportunities, just keep this thing rolling really.

7:10 AJ: I got you, so you have a very unique story, as in you're a top college football athlete. You played corner at Georgia Tech, down in the A, then transitioned into being a professional athlete, for multiple years. What made you transition into this field in particular and are you still playing?

7:34 Lou: Literally, I just stopped this past year, I played there for 5 years in the league and you know, I had a good time with that. I think that ultimately prepared me for this, just playing and being with the guys in the locker room, my coaches and impersonating people, I always knew that this is what I wanted to do eventually after football. The fact that I am able to do this at such a high level and doing it at such a fast pace. Last year it was my last year of playing, I was actually filming at the same time, just putting it on my social media and now it's taking off so I'm full steam ahead now.

8:28 AJ: So, you really do embody more than an athlete?

8:31 Lou: Yeah, yeah, yeah, I've been doing this stuff since I have been 7 years old. I use to tell my friends I am going to play football or basketball or whatever, one of the two, pro ball and then eventually get into comedy and acting. So this is like it's really no surprise that people knew me growing up and everything, so I guess it's more of a surprise for people who don't. But it's a good surprise. I kind of shocked a lot of people with how I do everything, so it's pretty cool.

9:01 AJ: So it's truly a dream come true?

9:02 Lou: Yeah, yeah.

9:04 AJ: You said it. You set your sights on it, you did it and now you're living it.

9:10 Lou: Yeah, most definitely.

9:12 AJ: Also when it comes to being more than an athlete, you see the LeBron James', you see philanthropists nowadays, you also have a foundation?

9:21 Lou: Yeah, I also got the – it's called the Cody Young foundation and Hope Finders. Hope Finders is for at risk youth in the inner city community and giving back partnering DC housing, after school programs, summer programs, camps, field trips, stuff like that. Keeping kids active, showing them different routes rather than staying on the street. The Cody Young foundation is for my late brother, he was murdered at 22 back in Baltimore, a couple of years ago. Basically, just trying to end gun violence and just giving his story through my foundation and just trying to change lives the best way I know how. By giving them real life experiences. It can happen to anybody, so just trying to share light on that in a positive way.

10:24 AJ: That's powerful stuff. You are absolutely changing lives, trying to end gun violence and starting a foundation for your late brother, may he rest always in peace. That's huge, I

didn't didn't really understand the magnitude of all that. When you talk about being more than an athlete, you are out here practicing what you preach.

10:44 Lou: Yeah, the best way I know how man. I don't really like to talk too much, I try to just do and work. So, that's the best way I know how, just doing by example.

10:56 AJ: What's the grind like today? Give me the daily grind, how many videos are we doing?

11:00 Lou: Today, we might do three or four, then I got to pick my daughter up, so we just make it work and then um - Being a father, early in the morning, dropping her off, work out, get to it. Just trying to stay as busy as possible.

11:19 AJ: You're grinding and you're getting out the mud, I understand it all. I wanted to have you on and pick your brain and talk to Shleve a little bit as we progress and you progress in your in your career. If you could name three comedians, you have a private comedy show, they coming to your private comedy show, it's just you and the audience. You want to hear three people to make laugh uncontrollably, who would they be?

11:51 Lou: Damn alright, I'll have to go with I'd say Dave Chappelle. Mmm damn, you put me on the spot.

11:58 AJ: Put you on the spot! You supposed to be a thinker!

12:02 Lou: Dave Chappelle, Dave Chappelle, Richard Pryor and Steve Harvey.

12:10 AJ: Dave Chappelle, Richard Pryor, and and did you say Steve or Shleve?

12:16 Lou: We can get both of them on there.

12:18 AJ: Okay, I give you a bonus one this time.

12:25 Lou: Iight if you give me a bonus then you got to give me Martin!

12:26 AJ: Oh I forgot! We got to keep it in the DMV we got to. My man Lou Young, you right up next, as always my special guest Lou Young, we call him AKA Shleve Harvey, Shlenzel, what the other epithets we got?

12:46 Lou: Man, I can't give you all of them yet. You just got to stay tuned and tune into @louuuyoung on IG, YouTube, Twitter, all that.

12:53 AJ: Look for my man in the next Tyler Perry movie or the next blockbuster hit you know. We doing doing it big right down in the ATL. Lou Young, I appreciate it so much for coming on today.

13:06 Lou: Appreciate you.

13:07 AJ: Please continue subscribing at *Max Out Time With AJ II* on iTunes. Add @louuuyoung on social media. Like me on Facebook, follow on IG and Twitter, and rate and review this podcast on all podcast streaming services today, AJ out!

13:24 Outro Song: 'For The City'

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