

Review: Project Dawn at People's Light

“Project Dawn” provides a heartfelt and candid glimpse into the otherwise hidden world of human trafficking. The production shares true-to-life stories of survivors who lived “the life” of prostitution and addiction while also illustrating the passion and struggle of the social workers, lawyers, judges, and counselors working to support the survivors’ recovery. I am a licensed social worker and provide counseling to low-income individuals, including survivors of commercial sexual exploitation (including trafficking), trauma, and addictions. From my professional and personal perspectives, I find profound truth in the characters and stories presented in this production. “Project Dawn” succeeds in educating the audience on the reality of commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking while also inciting compassion for the individuals victimized by this industry. While “Project Dawn” is truly emotionally provocative, the writers and actors accomplish a sincere humor throughout the production that serves to demonstrate the humanity and resiliency of both survivors and the professionals working in the trauma arena.

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