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Chauntelle Tibbals, PhD is committed to evaluating and understanding the place of gender, sexuality, sex work, and other marginalized factions in society. While her field of sociology should be an unbiased study of the development, structure, and functioning of the social world, Dr. Chauntelle continually notices prejudices popping up when dealing with social relations of a taboo and/or fluid nature. As a result, Dr. Chauntelle has dedicated her career to shedding light on the inner workings of industries, services, and groups operating in the shadows of society. Through her research, written works, and media appearances, she hopes to help the general public better understand and relate to those persons previously shunned, whether they be prostitutes, porn stars, members of LGBTQ communities, or anyone with unconventional habits or desires.



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Sociologist and author Chauntelle Tibbals, PhD studies human interaction in and with society, making sense of the patterns and processes she sees occurring in social behavior. Born and raised in Los Angeles, Dr. Chauntelle completed her undergraduate studies at UCLA, received her Master's degree from CSUN, and obtained her PhD from UT-Austin in Sociology, with a portfolio in Women's & Gender Studies. She was a Visiting Scholar in USC's Department of Sociology during 2012 – 2013.

Dr. Chauntelle's scholarly focus includes studies in gender, sexualities, work and organizations, media and new media, popular culture, and qualitative research methods. Her research over the past decade centers on an extremely varied and volatile topic: the socio-cultural significance of adult content and adult content production. Unlike many scholars with an interest or emphasis in this dimension of sex work, Dr. Chauntelle spends quite a bit of time in and around the adult production/entertainment industry. Through understanding both the scholarly/theoretical and real-world sides of the adult entertainment business, her work sheds fresh critical light on a very influential and highly stigmatized component of contemporary culture.

Dr. Chauntelle's research has been published in numerous scholarly journals including *Sexualities*, *Gender Work & Organization*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, and *Stanford Law and Policy Review* and is featured in W.W. Norton's *The Real World (4th ed, 2014)*. Dr. Chauntelle is quoted and cited extensively by cultural and news media outlets, including CNN, MTV News, NBC News, Business Insider, ABC-Univision, BloombergTV, Huffington Post, Refinery29, Slate, Time Magazine, and KPCC (NPR). She is a regular contributor to Men's Health, Playboy.com, and UPROXX's FilmDrunk.com.

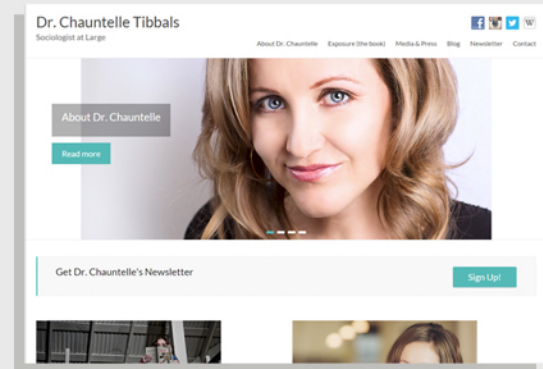
On July 7, 2015, Dr. Chauntelle's book, *Exposure: A Sociologist Explores Sex, Society, and Adult Entertainment*, released. Published by GreenLeaf Book Group, *Exposure* is a collection of first-hand essays covering Dr. Chauntelle's sociological work embedded in the adult industry.

Through conventional scholarship and direct interaction with members of the adult community, Dr. Chauntelle's public sociology and social justice-informed cultural commentary have contributed to a greater understanding of a widely significant dimension of contemporary culture.

In addition to her writing and research, Dr. Chauntelle works daily to cultivate her dedicated yoga practice and love of running. For more information and to interact with Dr. Chauntelle directly, visit [ChauntelleTibbals.com](http://ChauntelleTibbals.com) or follow her on Twitter at [twitter.com/DrChauntelle](https://twitter.com/DrChauntelle) and on Facebook at [facebook.com/DrChauntelle](https://facebook.com/DrChauntelle).

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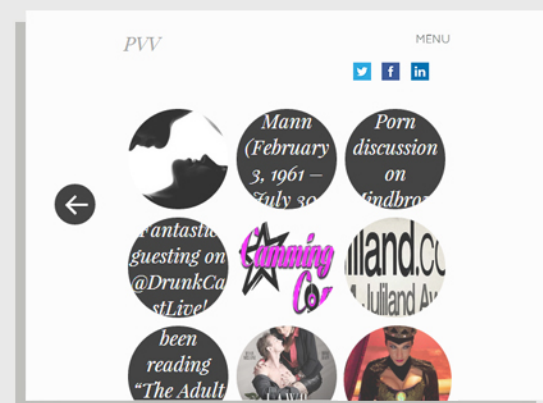
Dr. Chauntelle's scholarly focus includes sociological studies in gender, sexualities, work and organizations, media and new media, popular culture, and qualitative research methods. Her website showcases her research over the past decade, focusing on the socio-cultural significance of adult content and adult content production, including issues related to law, free speech, and workplace organizational structures. The site also discusses issues related to higher education, law, gender identity and expression, and sexualities.



## PWOnline.com

Dr. Chauntelle is the founder of PWOnline.com, a website providing unique insight and critical commentary on adult entertainment, resulting from her time embedded in the industry.

Porn is like everything else in life – multi-dimensional and complex. Each component and dimension of adult production is also part of a wider socio-cultural past, present, and future. PWOnline engages these complexities, connecting the dots and offering readers a unique take on the adult industry. Through consideration of industry culture and developments, in-depth interviews with industry insiders, and critical reviews of adult content, PWOnline seeks to shed nuanced light on an influential yet extremely controversial, marginalized, and stigmatized industry.



# EXPOSURE: A SOCIOLOGIST EXPLORES SEX, SOCIETY, AND ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

Delving deep into the enigmatic world of porn, in her new book, *Exposure*, sociologist Dr. Chauntelle Tibbals offers a fascinating, first-hand account of the adult entertainment industry. From tales of her first trade convention to becoming a judge at one of the industry's most celebrated award shows, Dr. Chauntelle shares what she hopes will challenge existing stereotypes about sex and adult entertainment. In her no-holds barred testimonial, Dr. Chauntelle also offers her perspectives on notorious adult performer Linda Lovelace – and her infamous film, *Deep Throat* – the power wielded by pornography fans, theories on porn's "natural" versus "enhanced" body parts, and even insight into how underage porn superstar Traci Elizabeth Lords contributed to anti-pornography activism efforts in the '80s. With stories ranging from comical to tragic, entertaining to enlightening, *Exposure* does what its name suggests – and focuses an illuminating lens on adult entertainment through the eyes of one who knows it best.

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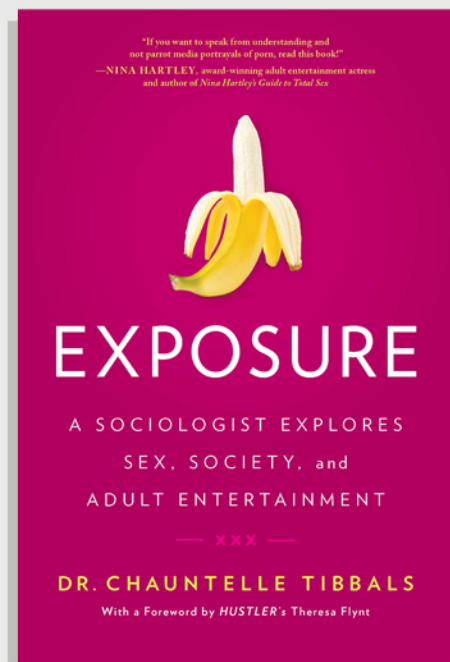
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*"Almost everything written about the pornography industry has come from outsiders, and much of that writing is a caricature of the enterprise. Exposure offers a unique and fresh view of the adult industry because of Chauntelle's unprecedented access to it. A groundbreaking book, filled with insights into a previously hidden world."*

- Ronald Weitzer, PhD, George Washington University

*"Whether you're already a fan of adult entertainment, curious about its inner workings, or just looking for an inspirational story of one woman's endeavor to bring social justice to a marginalized part of society, Dr. Chauntelle's Exposure will grab you with its charm and win you over with its heart."*

- Dan Miller, Managing Editor, XBIZ

*"If you want to speak from understanding and not parrot media portrayals of porn, read this book!"*

- Nina Hartley, award-winning adult entertainment actress and author of *Nina Hartley's Guide to Total Sex*

*"Exposure presents the true-to-life story of [Dr. Chauntelle's] own experiences doing research on the porn industry, providing a complex, rigorous, and honest look into the life of a researcher."*

- Corinne Reczek, PhD, Assistant Professor, Departments of Sociology and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University

*"A humanizing, thoughtful look at the adult entertainment industry from someone who has spent over a decade getting to know the people who work in it."*

- Nadine Strossen, John Marshall Harlan II Professor of Law, New York Law School, and former president, American Civil Liberties Union

*"Porn has become such a pervasive cultural force that it demands to be written about thoughtfully and seriously. Dr. Chauntelle is the sociologist who is doing it."*

- Vince Mancini, FilmDrunk/UPROXX

To read an on-going collection of praise and testimonials for *Exposure*, click [here](#).



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