# Christopher "Soul" Eubanks



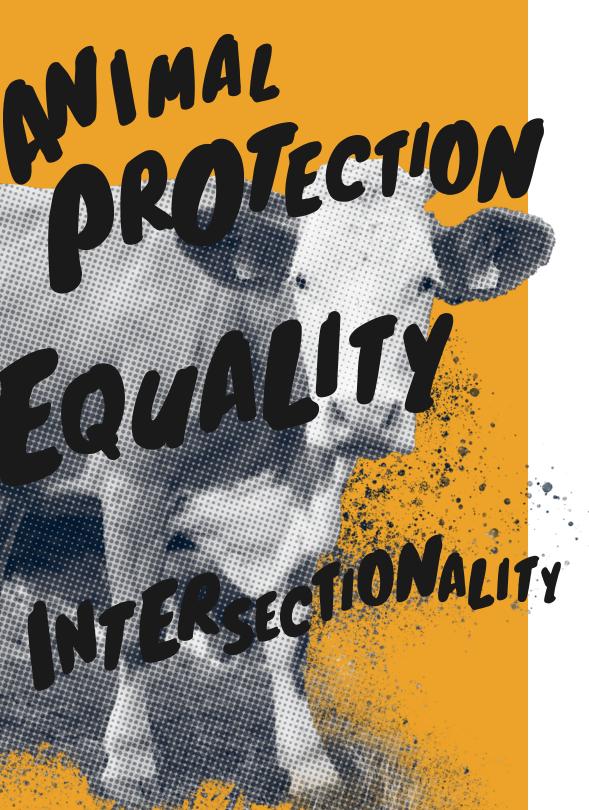


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Christopher "Soul" **Eubanks** is a social justice advocate, creative and public speaker raised in Atlanta, Georgia, dedicated to doing advocacy work that combats all forms of injustice. After learning the horrors of animal exploitation, Christopher became vegan, began doing community

organizing and has helped co-organize Atlanta's first ever animal rights march. He is the founder of APEX Advocacy, a non-profit animal rights organization that uses digital content creation and grassroots activism for animal advocacy.





Christopher is an experienced public speaker and specializes in introducing his audience to animal rights activism and the ethics of veganism. The demographic of his audience often includes college students, people new to or interested in activism, and people who would like to learn more about adopting a vegan lifestyle. In 2021, he was invited to speak

at several universities in his local community as well as the Animal Liberation Conference, and gave online presentations. He has also visited corporate settings to educate staff about the dietary and ethical aspects of veganism, and how the vegan philosophy relates to other social justice issues.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **FEB 24**

**Led Atlanta Animal Activism Workshop** 

#### MARCH 15

**What Exploitation Really Means Webinar** with Animal Activism Mentorship

#### MARCH 31

Atlanta Animal Activism Workshop on **Effective Outreach** 

#### APRIL 3

**South Hampton University Lecture** "The Ethics of Veganism"

#### **APRIL 27**

**Atlanta Animal Activism Online Workshop** 

#### **AUGUST 8**

**Farmed Animal Conference E-Summit** (FACES) Presentation on Animal Rights and **Anti-Oppression** 

#### **SEPTEMBER 22**

Introduction to Animal Advocacy to **Georgia State University Peace Club** 

#### **SEPTEMBER 25**

**Maintaining Self Care in Animal Activism Presentation at the Animal Liberation Conference** 

#### OCTOBER 26

Introduction to Animal Activism **Presentation at Georgia Tech University** (pictured on previous page and below)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Sentient Media Video Series on Introduction to Activism

**Sentient Media Training Course: "How To** Repurpose Your Social Media Content"





Christopher regularly appears on podcasts to speak about animal advocacy, his non-profit APEX Advocacy, and the importance of diversity and inclusion in the animal rights movement. Podcast appearances effectively enable him to reach an international audience and to connect the global population to his work, values and mission. He is particularly interested in attracting the global majority into the animal rights arena to ensure the movement is diverse and globally representative.

**Our Hen House Podcast** 

The V Podcast Hosted by Andrea Aronica

**Podcast Interview with** 

**Consciously Carly** 

Lunch Break Live with Jane Unchained

Mercy For Animals, Now and Next **Vegan Advocacy Panel Discussion** 

**Second Opinion Radio with Melody Paris** 

Afro Vegan Society Interview to **Discuss APEX Advocacy** 

**Animal Liberation Hour Podcast** 

**Plant Your Seed Podcast** 

Live with Trish Roberts, Author of 12 Mind Blowing Steps to Happiness

**Vegan Boss Podcast** 

IG LIVE Interview with JIVINITI/The **Virsa Foundation** 

**Vegan Hot Tea** 



Despite the challenges the grassroots movement faced due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Christopher co-organized and participated in numerous actions throughout the year to advocate for animal rights. He is particularly experienced in tactics such as disruptions, vegan outreach, public speak outs, and bearing witness at vigils. Christopher has also attended the Animal **Activism Mentorship Chicago Convergence**, which included 8 consecutive days of activism in Chicago, and co-organized the Atlanta Animal Save Tour from Florida to Georgia, consisting of 5 full days of activism.

#### **JAN 10**

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### **JAN 13**

**Atlanta Animal Activist Workshop** 

#### **JAN 24**

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### FEB 1

**Yerkes Primate Research Center Protest at Emory University** 

#### FEB 7

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### **FEB 19**

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### **FEB 28**

**Petco Protest against Marshalls** Lab Research

#### MARCH 7

Vegan Outreach

#### MARCH 13

**Petco Protest** 

#### MARCH 15

Chicken Vigil in Athens, GA

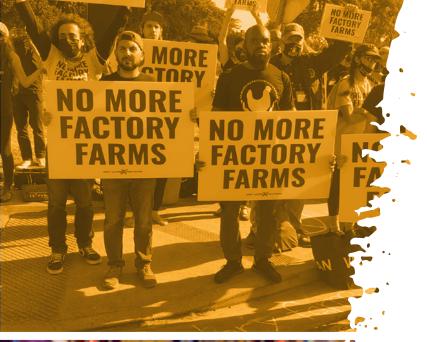
#### MARCH 19

Vegan Outreach

#### MARCH 22

**Henig Furs Protest** 









#### MARCH 28

**Saks Fifth Avenue Disruption** 

#### **APRIL 18**

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### APRIL 19

**Henig Fur Protest** 

#### APRIL 19

**Anthropologie Protest** 

#### **APRIL 26**

Chicken Vigil in Athens, GA

#### MAY 1

**Eating Animals Causes Pandemics Event (Co-Organizer)** 

#### **MAY 16**

**Vegan Outreach** 

#### **MAY 17**

Chicken Vigil in Athens, GA

#### **MAY 24**

**Urban Outfitters Protest** 

#### JUNE 6

**National Animal Rights Day** (Co-Organizer)

#### **JUNE 26**

**Vegan Outreach in Memory** of Regan Russell

#### **JULY 11**

**Yves Saint Laurent Fur Protest** 

#### Q JULY 25

**Animal Activism Mentorship Chicago** Convergence

"Fish Feel" Protest

#### O JULY 26

**Holding The Powerful Accountable with Slaughter-Free Chicago & Yves Saint Laurent Fur Protest** 



#### **Q** JULY 27

Vivisection Protest & Yves Saint Laurent Fur Protest

#### **O** JULY 29

Urban Outfitters, Louis Vuitton, & Yves Saint Laurent Protest

#### O JULY 30

Yves Saint Laurent & Louis Vuitton Fur Protest

#### **O** JULY 31

Yves Saint Laurent Blood Demo Fur Protest

#### AUG 1

Million Dollar Vegan Food Giveaway

#### SEPT 1

Day Against Speciesism Protest at The Georgia Aquarium

#### SEPT 4

**Anti-Fur Disruption at Yves Saint Laurent** 

#### SEPT 27

Animal Liberation Conference slaughterhouse shutdown at Foster Farms

#### **SEPT 28**

Animal Liberation Conference Mural & Speak Out at State of California Building (ALC)

#### O OCT 15

Atlanta Animal Save Activism Tour (Co-Organizer)

#### OCT 16

Change My Mind (Vegan Outreach)

Plant Based Treaty Chalking/ Leafletting Event

Vegan Outreach



#### OCT 17

**Vegan Outreach** 

Million Dollar Vegan Food Giveaway

Vegan Outreach

#### OCT 18

Critter Creek Farm Sanctuary Volunteer Day

#### OCT 19

Vegan Outreach at Georgia State University

Eating Animals Causes Pandemics Demo/March

**Banner Drop** 

#### OCT 20

**Chicken Vigil** 

Sweet Olive Farm Volunteer Day (Sanctuary)

#### DEC 2

**PETA Protest** 



# ADVOCACY

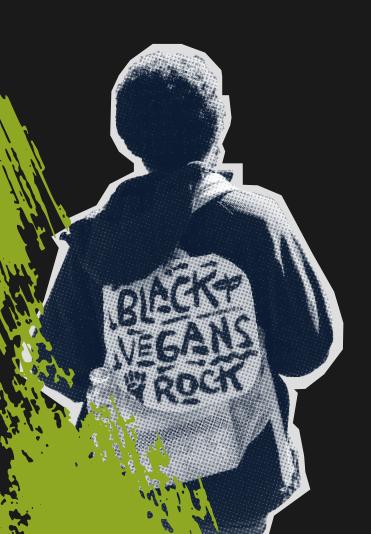
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Apex Advocacy is Christopher's brand new non-profit organization. APEX Advocacy's goal is to increase the number of BIPOC individuals that participate in animal activism by advocating for veganism and animal rights, and by raising awareness of the impact animal oppression has on our entire society. The organization specifically focuses on drawing attention to the intersections between the oppression of animals and other marginalized communities.

Christopher believes in the importance of expanding the vegan and animal rights movement by including, involving, and appealing to the vast global majority and works towards building a more diverse animal rights movement. Christopher wants people of the global majority to know that there is a space for them. Within only a few months, Chris successfully launched APEX, onboarded 5 team members, attracted widespread attention to its social media platforms, announced and kick started its first campaign Black Vegan Everything and applied for 501c3 status.

#### JULY

**Launched APEX Advocacy** 

#### OCTOBER

Launched APEX social media

#### **NOVEMBER**

Launched APEX Advocacy's first campaign Black Vegan Everything

Applied for 501c3 status



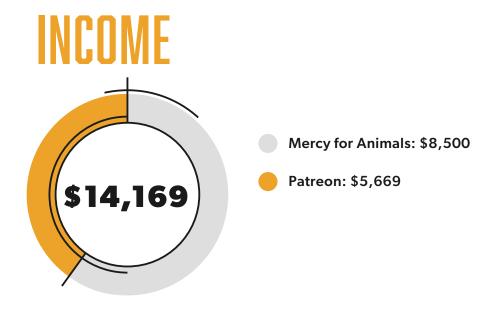
## **BLACK VEGAN EVERYTHING**

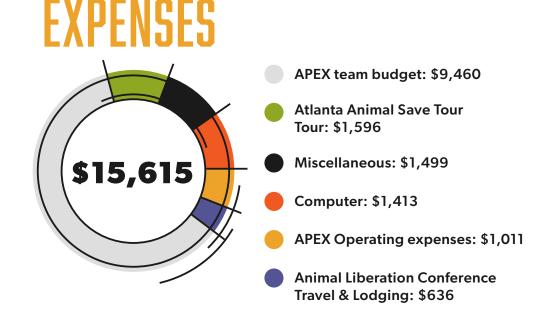
Black Vegan Everything is a platform dedicated to showcasing the full spectrum of veganism amongst people of the African Diaspora. This is APEX Advocacy's first campaign and aims to showcase hundreds of Black-owned vegan businesses and organizations ranging from restaurants, apparel companies, non-profits and more. Black-owned vegan businesses have the potential to close the racial wealth gap, empower Black communities, generate multi-generational wealth, and liberate animals from exploitation.





Christopher is a recipient of Mercy for Animals' People's Fund, a grant aimed to assist Black advocates working in the animal advocacy field. He has effectively invested the grant into jump-starting **APEX Advocacy. His Patreon** account raises additional funds which he directly invests into activism, covering costs such as travel expenses, organizing tours, local activist events and more. Christopher primarily uses his funds to help animals, engage people in activism, empower people of the global majority, and create top quality digital content. He consistently contributes his income into furthering the movement's mission and keeps track of all expenses to ensure transparency of his finances.





In addition to his grassroots activism, Christopher has continued to advocate for animal rights in various ways. He contributed a gripping article for Sentient Media, participated in several advocacy advisory boards, mentored aspiring activists and also fundraised for an animal sanctuary this past year.

# WRITING CONTRIBUTIONS

Sentient Media: "As a Black Man I felt Uncomfortable Becoming an Animal Rights Activist" – winner of Sentient Media's best personal story

### ADVISORY BOARDS JOINED

**We Animals UnBound Project** 

**Vegan Hacktivists** 

**Encompass Movement** 

# ACTIVISM & LEADERSHIP

Animals First on The Second (24-hour food fast to protest animal slaughter)

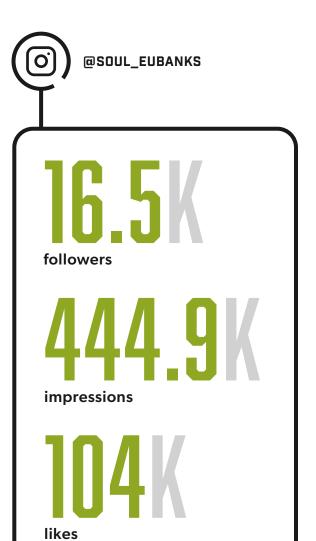
Animal Activism Mentorship mentor & ambassador

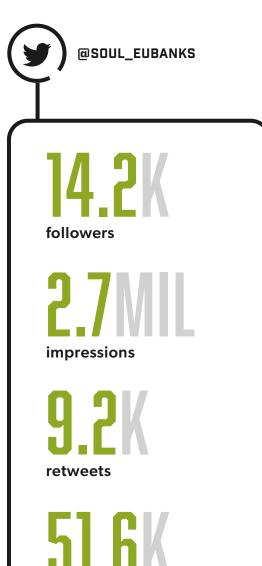
Manage social media accounts for the Atlanta animal activism community

Organized birthday fundraiser for Freedom Acres Farm Sanctuary

### **SOCIAL MEDIA IMPACT**

Christopher has continued to make a conscious effort to leverage his online presence to advocate for animal rights and collective liberation. His bold quotes and statements are shared globally throughout the movement, spreading the message of animal rights around the world.





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**Apex Advocacy plans to organize** inclusive activism spearheaded by BIPOC individuals. The organization will start its first chapter in Atlanta, and organize targeted pressure campaigns, protests, vigils, tabling, vegan food giveaways, film screenings, and more. In order to further APEX's mission to empower people of the global majority to help animals, the organization will focus on ensuring the community is truly diverse, inclusive and globally representative. APEX has already established its aesthetic identity by creating groundbreaking digital content. The goal for 2022 will be to leverage their bold and eye-catching designs to attract further attention to

their message, not only in the online realm but also in the physical activist arena. Their innovative and noticeable banners, placards and signs will represent an intersectional vision and be available in various languages, downloadable for anyone who wishes to engage in animal rights activism and collective liberation. APEX will also be collaborating with like-minded and established organizations and activist groups in order to build bridges and strengthen the animal rights community.

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