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John Henry Bates

Author · Speaker



ABOUT JOHN

John Henry Bates, a Natchez, Mississippi native, is a force of nature.

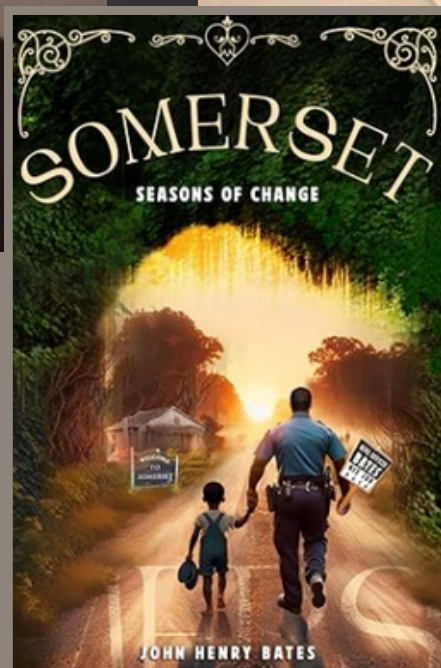
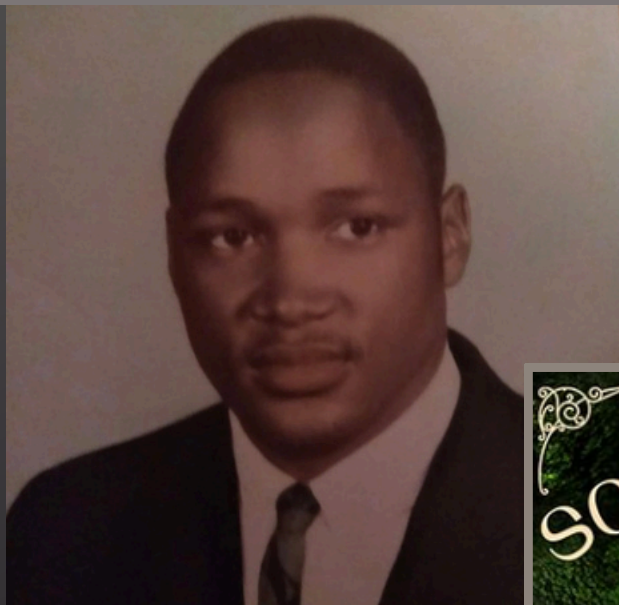
Husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, retired police officer, and successful entrepreneur.

This is a man who has seen it all and has stories to tell...

HUMBLE BEGINNINGS

Against all odds, he pushed boundaries, shattering ceilings, and creating a brighter future for himself and those around him. He dared to challenge the status quo, creating new opportunities for himself and his community.

Now, he shares the story of his upbringing in the racially divided town of Natchez, a tale of resilience that will inspire hope in the hearts of dreamers everywhere.



Somerset: Seasons of Change is the story of John Henry Bates, who emerges from the shadows of humble beginnings and rises to become a police officer, silently challenging the discriminatory norms, while also standing as a quiet force fighting for equal rights in the face of prejudice.

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ANSWERING THE CALL FOR EQUALITY

As one of few African American police officers in Natchez, Mississippi, John watched the world around him crumble under the weight of injustice. Torn between duty and defiance, he chose a different path - a quiet, internal revolution.

Working from within the system, he built unlikely alliances, forging connections with Hollywood elites and powerful politicians.

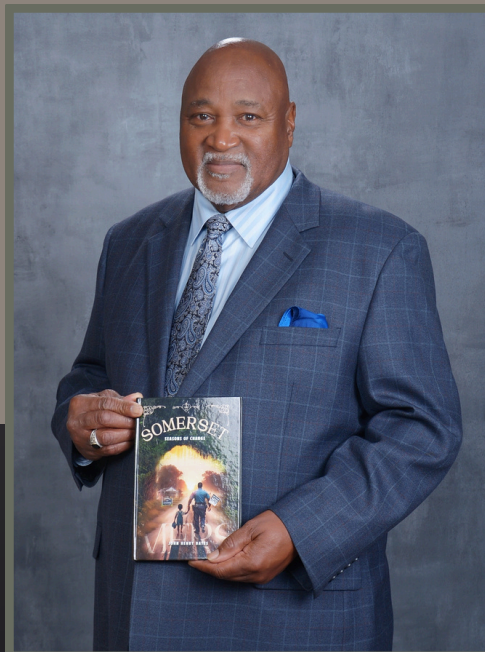
His journey, a testament to the enduring power of internal strength, mirrors the evolution of a nation.



BORN TO BE A CHANGEMAKER

John's memoir, Somerset: Seasons of Change draws readers into a world steeped in prejudice and a community suffocating under the oppression carried down from their ancestors. But beneath the surface of this historic, sleepy Southern town, a simmering discontent brewed in men like John.

In a seemingly dormant environment, John tapped into his faith and used his quiet nature to create an undercurrent of resistance that eventually opened doors and lifted the spirits of those around him.



Media Features



John shares more about his belief that history is essential to our future with VoyageHouston.

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SPEAKING TOPICS

Entrepreneurship & Leadership

Entrepreneurship

- Building a legacy: from vision to reality.
- Overcoming obstacles and achieving success.
- Challenges faced by minority entrepreneurs.

Leadership

- Inspiring change from within.
- Faith & leadership principles.
- Servant leadership.

Fostering Strong Families & Communities

- Insights into building strong family bonds.
- Importance of community involvement and social leadership.
- Mentoring and guiding our young adults.

