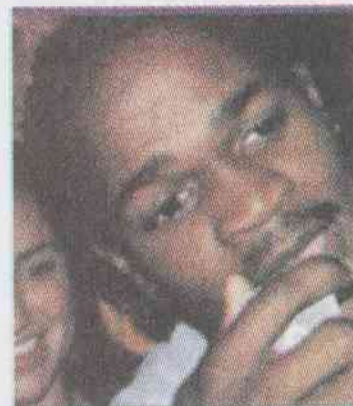


Isn't That the Guy From ?



By Jamiyla Bolton

The Black Ink recently caught up with "the guy from Road Rules" better known as Shawn Sealy. Staff writer, Jamiyla Bolton sat down with Shawn to ask what everyone else has been wondering about his experience on the show.

Do people call you out as Shawn from Road Rules on a regular?

My most common response is "you look very familiar." People think I might have went to high school with them. I don't want to be Mr. Celebrity. I think more of the freshman class this year knows who I am. Since they were seniors when the show aired and they probably kept up with it more than the people who were in college. I don't mind people asking questions. It's better to ask than to stare and whisper like some people do.

Why did you want to be on Road Rules?

Well, I just got tired of watching the show and being like "man, I could do that" and I decided to put my money where my mouth was.

What is it about Road Rules that you don't think people know?

Folks don't know that it's real, but edited. Everything you see that happens on the show happens, they don't tell us to do anything. But at the same time, it's a soap opera. They have people in L.A. who review all the tapes and figure out a story line.

They script out what was said and take specific clips to form each show. We do interviews where they ask us specific questions after two weeks of taping. We'd

sit down for like three hours answering questions about everything that's happened, to keep the story going. With that, for example, if you get in a fight at the end of the trip, they'll show every confrontation you've had with that person from the time you got there. A small argument in the beginning, a little attitude in the middle, a brushing of the shoulders at the end, all in the same episode. It's a lot of cutting and pasting.

