

# Jackson Kanawha Perry

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Michigan

*BFA in Musical Theatre | Minor in Afro-American and African Studies*

*Degree Expected May 2024*

James B. Angell Scholar | **GPA 3.97**

## EXPERIENCE

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### Michigan Performance Outreach Workshop (MPOW)

*Artistic Director/Co-Leader (Engagement, Curriculum, Communications)*

*Aug. 2021 - March 2024*

- Led organization in collaboration with co-leader including executive team, volunteers, and facilitated regular meetings.
- Organized and created educational programming to provide interactive arts exposure to grade school southeastern Michigan students through workshops, community partnerships, and bi-annual events.
- Communicated with school, nonprofit, and community partners to plan and promote events.
- Facilitated hallmark events including bi-annual [MPOW Day](#), benefit concerts, and nonprofit partnerships.

### [Wolverine Pathways](#)

*Curriculum Designer*

*April 2023 - July 2023*

- Designed a twelve-hour course using theater skills to increase oracy, agency, and public speaking capabilities - intended for 125 rising eighth and ninth graders. [Curriculum available upon request](#)
- Led professional development training to teach others to facilitate the curriculum.
- Conducted a search and reviewed applicants to recruit six additional facilitators of the curriculum.

*Lead Facilitator*

*July 2023*

- Oversaw implementation of curriculum and facilitators through daily check-ins and onsite assistance.
- Taught a group of roughly 20 students over the course of two weeks.

### [Our Own Thing Piano Program](#)

*Teaching Artist*

*Nov. 2021 - May 2024*

- Encouraged underrepresented K-12 youth to tap into creativity via teaching individual and group lessons in piano technique, beginner music theory, and songwriting.
- Collaborated with other teaching artists and teachers to organize an annual recital for the community.

### University of Michigan - Telefund

*Student Fundraiser*

*June 2023 - Aug. 2023*

- Cultivated connections with alumni through phone conversations to raise money for The University of Michigan.
- Contributed to a team of fundraisers responsible for raising upwards of \$1,064,000 last fiscal year.

### University of Michigan - School of Music, Theatre and Dance

*DEI Ambassador*

*Nov. 2022 - April 2023*

- Partnered with the SMTD Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to spread awareness about events, strategize engagement, and connect the musical theatre department to the DEI office.

### **STAGES St. Louis - Marketing**

*Social Media Content Creator - Pre-Broadway: The Karate Kid*

*Spring 2022*

- Created content from the perspective of cast members on the STAGES St. Louis Instagram with more than 4000 followers to increase social media engagement.

### **The Arts Council of Winston Salem & Forsyth County**

*Community Engagement & Partner Relations Intern*

*Summer 2021*

- Updated and regulated the city arts organization online directory and calendar through collaboration with local artists, organizations, and venues to increase awareness of community events.
- Created an E-Blast of community arts events sent to upwards of 23,000 individuals.

### **Bryan Family YMCA**

*Childcare Staff (Summer Camp, Childwatch, and "Schoolcare")*

*May 2019 - January 2021*

- Created safe, fun, and nurturing environments for diverse groups of children from ages 6 weeks - 12 years of age. ("Schoolcare" - pandemic relief childcare)

## **SKILLS**

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- Interpersonal - Communication, Initiative, Leadership, Organization, Problem Solving, Teamwork
- Technology - Adobe Acrobat, Adobe Premiere Rush, Google Suite, Microsoft Suite
- Media - DSLR Photography/Videography, Instagram, Tiktok, Youtube
- Artistic -Acting, Audition Coaching, Choreography, Composition, Music Direction, Piano, Singing