## Ja'Marie Nevarez

## Voice, Professional Performance Techniques, Songwriting, Music Theory, Sight-reading, Artistic Development

Growing up in The Bronx, New York, dreaming big wasn't just an option—it was a necessity. From her earliest memories, music and singing were woven into the fabric of her life. She would watch music awards shows, practice acceptance speeches, and set her heart on the stage. By the age of 11, her mother took a bold step and brought her to audition at the renowned Apollo Theater's Amateur Night in Harlem, NY. The judges were captivated by her explosive talent. The experience was unforgettable: the sight of the stage, the sound of the audience, the distinctive theater fragrance in the air, and the warmth of the lights. It was exhilarating, and from the moment she stepped onto the stage, she knew—she belonged.



From a young age, she immersed herself in the world of music. She nurtured her musical gifts through performing arts school programs that focused on music, keeping her engaged and inspired. She attended Fordham High School for the Arts, where she delved even deeper into the music world. During high school, she began creating song demos and familiarizing herself with music studios, laying the groundwork for her future career.

During her senior year and for the next four years, she was offered the opportunity to teach music to young schoolchildren in an after-school program at a middle school. Little did she know she would fall in love with teaching and cultivating music in these young minds. She led choirs, provided extensive voice coaching, and taught music theory. Her influence on the children's lives was profound, offering them a creative outlet amidst the challenges of growing up in the rough neighborhoods of The Bronx. Teaching music propelled her to new heights in her musical journey.

Eleven years after graduating from high school, she decided to take a leap of faith and pursue her dream as an independent recording artist. She dedicated herself to songwriting and harnessed the power of social media to share her art with the world. In 2019, she released her debut song, followed by her EP, *Introspect*. Her journey also led her to collaborate with other independent artists, helping them refine their craft and co-writing songs. Later, she pursued a BA in Media Communications from the Full Sail University, knowing it would equip her with the skills to market herself in the mainstream music industry.

Becoming a mother brought new challenges, but it also deepened her passion for her art. She realized the importance of showing her children that believing in oneself and chasing dreams with unwavering determination is vital. Her journey became a powerful example to her children that anything is possible when pursued wholeheartedly.

## **Nurturing Future Musicians and Artists**

Currently, she has returned to her passion for teaching music. She works as a vocal coach and teaches songwriting, stage performance techniques, and music theory. She also mentors new artists, guiding them in developing their music careers and studio recording best practices, including harmonization. She is dedicated to nurturing and inspiring the next generation of musicians on their journeys.

Her mission is to provide a safety net for those moments when fear and doubt threaten to cloud dreams. Her message is clear: think big, dream big, believe big, and the results will be even bigger—not only in music but in life.