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ARTIST PROFILE
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Jay KenneDy

At the very tender age of 8 I already knew where I was supposed to be. Already singing, I was always placed in the front of the pre-school choir to lead the graduation song. I continued to pursue music through elementary school where I participated in my elementary school “The Goodwill Primary school’s all boys choir” and mixed choir where we effortlessly won competition by competition placing no lower than 2nd and that to me was always a defeat. Many times I was Chosen by the Choir instructor to perform at weddings and events and this helped boost my confidence. As times elapsed and I grew older I soon learned my passion for dance. I would always go outside and spend time with the older boys in my neighbourhood who would spend time breakdancing and I was fascinated. I would always just stand and observe and late go home and try my best to imitate the dance steps and routines that I witnessed earlier in the day. Soon enough I gained the confidence to perform in front of my school. The reaction was completely unexpected. The school was in complete uproar, and from then on I knew it, I believed that I had it. I continued into Performing by joining the Church’s dance group and then going on to volunteer work where I spear headed the Roseau Cooperative Credit union at its time, youth dance group. Many have come to tell us inspirational stories of how we motivated and inspired them to dance and create teams of their own.

Throughout my high school years I took part in multiple talent shows and guest performed at several events. I was always chosen to represent my High school In every school’s art festival where I emerged 2nd place each time but that only motivated me to persevere even greater. I then took this experience and kept on refining my art. Soon I decided to practice my song writing where I would write multiple compositions and practice my studio recording skills. The art has always been my passion and will always be. I see it as an opportunity to share hope with our world and with other young people like me who think that making it and becoming successful on the international market in the great arena is impossible. Apart from Singing, dancing, acting and cooking, I as a person see me as no greater or less than anyone. Equality of humanity is something that I will always push and stand firm by. It hurts me to see racism, prejudice and discrimination in existence even at its smallest degree and even if I am the only one who stands for this cause of equality then so be it. I like to view myself as a kind hearted individual and I love sharing with others, I love giving and giving back. Giving to others even if it’s my last dime brings happiness to my face I always ask myself a question (as phrased by one of my favourite artists “David Choi”) “I wonder what the world would be like if we all just got along, would we sing more happy songs would there be dancing all day long” and I do believe that there will be a day where we all will get along and I am determined to begin with myself and welcome everyone of whatever religion, race, gender or class with an open arm and share whatsoever I can that will bring joy and happiness into their life.

Definition of a KenneDy: Anyone with Ambition and is willing to work hard for whatever he/she wants.



MY VALUES AND MORALS

I see every day that I go through as an opportunity to make the world a better place. The smallest of things can bring me joy and a smile to my face, especially when I take long walks alone just thinking and looking at how beautiful the gift of life is. I live my life trying to be simply a bright spark of happiness. I always try to make others happy and comfortable around me, and with themselves as well, by letting them notice the true beauty in themselves.

I love giving and helping others in achieving their goals and I always look towards assisting people in any way, shape or form possible to motivate them in their positive endeavours. I strongly believe in equality among humanity. No man is greater than the other and nothing that one may have is of greater quality than what someone else may have, for we were all created equal. I stand firm against racism, social stratification and believe that we should all be united despite race, economic situation, educational achievements, class or physical appearances. It hurts me to see poverty and discrimination in this modern day and age of social awareness and moral advancements. I have respect for the Earth as it is my home. Despite the ever-growing threat of Global Warming, over population and pollution, I strongly believe that every human being can make a change through unity and accepting their social and ethical responsibilities. I see the world as one great big family, with the earth being everyone's responsibility, and I strive to do everything in my power to spread this message and ideology.

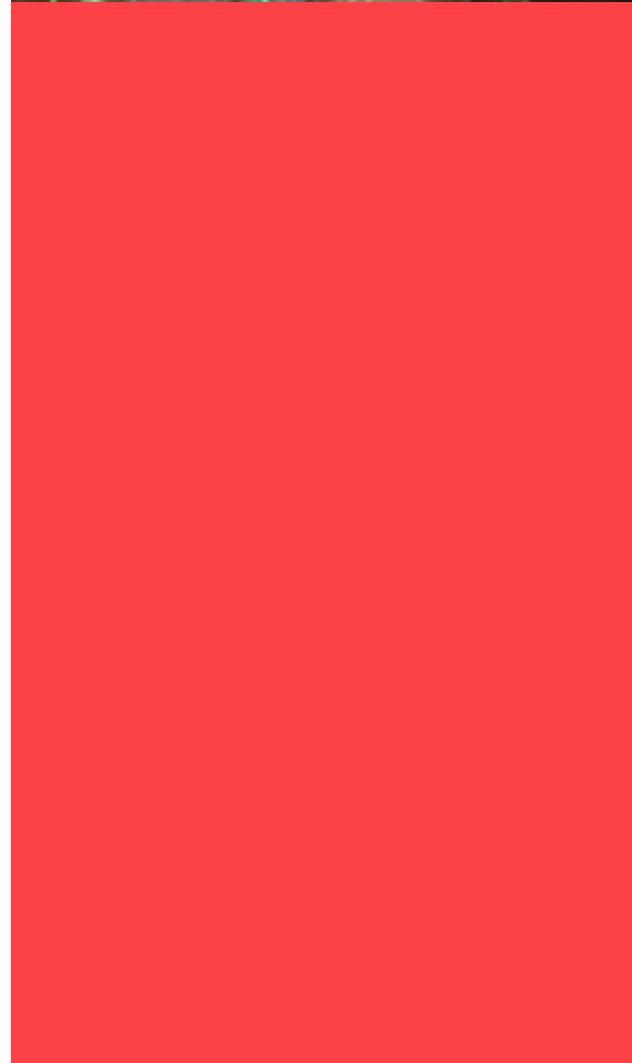
In the future, I see myself as a successful and explosive entertainer, leaving a positive mark wherever I visit, and inspiring the lives of thousands of people across the globe to stand up and fight for what they believe in, and help change the world to a more peaceful and mindful place.

GIVING BACK

As a citizen of the commonwealth of Dominica and ambassador to my people I seek to be at my very best and a representation of excellence of my country while at home and abroad. I seek to carry my Dominican and Caribbean culture to every part of the world that my career enables me to visit letting each person know that, Yes there are a people called Dominicans that are not from the Dominican Republic and we have our unique culture and teach all about our geographical location and draw awareness to the world, showing that our people are highly capable of greatness and that we are a very talented people. During my generation of my success it would be of my esteemed pleasure to be a light to the young people and a great example of what we ought to be and draw awareness to the youth kids and adults that anything is possible and that we all hold that power to turn our dreams into reality.

Also I it is my promise to return the favour to everyone who has assisted me on my journey and I will never cease to make mention of those who have assisted me in every way as every little bit of help counts. I Jay KenneDY vow to represent my country at my very best and work feverishly and efficiently in order to raise the value of our tourism industry, also to raise the expectancy rate of youth productivity.

To businesses who choose to sponsor my brand and endeavours I promise to promote your companies and never cease to make mention of how much I appreciated your help and market your companies in the best ways possible through my brand.



WHERE DO I SEE MY TALENT TAKING ME

WHERE TO I SEE MYSELF IN 2, 5 and 10 YEARS

Within this year I will spend my time in preparation for my future, with crazy hours of dedicated work, taking on responsibilities and leaving no space for dependence on others; doing everything that I possibly can to keep the ball rolling. At the end of my first year I see myself being a symbol for the youth and a role model to all the young people that are within the reach of hearing my name, being a light of inspiration and the key that will unlock many doors so that others can fulfil their dreams as I have done. I want to radiate positivity and confidence, to teach others to strongly believe in themselves, never give up, believe and to stay strong because these were the things that kept me going, In two years I see myself pushing world-marketed music and my message internationally and regionally, keeping my brand's reputation of excellence and humility. My Fifth year I see as my year of achievement of success. This is where I see all my hard work paying off, financially, spiritually and in every way possible, but still working as hard as if I'm still struggling during my beginning. In ten years I see myself as a global household name with a legacy of inspiration, motivation, humility, talent and entertainment, representing love and peace, and when anyone hears my name they will remember that anything is possible through hard work and dedication.





For as long as I can remember I have been a dancer, a singer, an entertainer and performer, however only on a small scale as I have not been offered the opportunities to do such. My dream of success in the entertainment industry through acting, singing, writing and dancing has been resonating in my mind every day, as it's all I dream about. Every day, I find myself day dreaming about myself on a stage. Every time I watch music videos I see myself in the position of those I who are doing it and I clearly see my talent taking a great leap as I know that I am capable of doing what the big entertainment stars are doing, both in the past and are still doing in this present day. I have been working on my talents every day in hopes of an audition for a big record label and now I have the opportunity to perform for more than 5. It is more than what I ever could have hoped for.

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Personal Profile

I am a very dedicated and hardworking individual, always punctual and easy to work with. I am creative and artistic and open minded to the opinions of others and to the social and physical environment. I enjoy listening to understand and return advice if my operations partner is requesting. I am trustworthy and hold a great sense of humor. My Goal is to produce exceptional work at all times.

Key skills and experiences

- Strong communication skills
- Effective at time management
- Excellent team player
- Very understanding and open minded

Education

1999-2005 Goodwill Primary school

2005-2012 St. Mary's Academy

2013-Present L.E.A.D institute

Industrial experience

2011 Represented the Youth of Dominica at the UNICEF annual report and guest performances

2012 World Creole Music Festival and Guest performances
Marketing With J. Astaphans & Co. Ltd

2013 Disney's Lion King on Broadway

2014 Guest performances

Voluntary Work

From 2005-2011 I spearheaded the young Team from my local Credit union, dance group and prepared a team of 20 individuals for dance performances at various events.

I have also assisted all the elderly people in my community by taking care of them and always ensuring that their groceries were bough and that they are comfortable.