

# Imani (ee-ma-nee) McCray

Graphic Designer  
& Photographer



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## EDUCATION

### East Carolina University (ECU) BFA in Graphic Design

August 2018 to May 2021  
Greenville, NC

### (ECU) Study Abroad Photography Intensive

January 2019 to April 2019  
Florence, Italy

### Minneapolis Community and Technical College Awards: Student Leadership Award (May 2016) Student Associations: African American Education Empowerment Program.

August 2014 to May 2016  
Minneapolis, MN

## WORK HISTORY

### World Central Kitchen Logistics Site Lead

Oversaw the coordination of logistics operations for earthquake relief efforts in Morocco. Organized the ordering and delivery of food and supplies to convert an olive factory into a makeshift kitchen, capable of feeding over 10,000 people daily. Financial Management, Payroll Administration, Local Labor Sourcing and Hiring, Forklift Operation, Conflict Resolution.

September 2023 to November 2023  
Morocco, North Africa

### Ionian Art and Cultural Center Greece

Photojournalist and Artist in Residence  
Three month environmental advocacy initiative working with Geopark Kefalonia Ithaca and the Greek municipality to clean, preserve and document historic coastlines, lakes, and caves.

April 2022 to July 2022  
Kefalonia, Greece

### East Carolina SoAD "School of Art and Design"

Graphic Designer and Photographer  
Designing for the director of the SoAD.

September 2019 to April 2020  
Greenville, NC

### The Harvey Galleries

Art Consultant  
Maintained a high volume and fast pace art gallery. Gave superb and genuine customer care. Sold more than \$80,000 in art over three months

July 2016 to January 2017  
Sydney, Australia

## EXHIBITIONS

### Be the Change: Actions and Reaction

North Carolina Museum of Art, Solo Exhibition

February 2023 to March 2023  
Greenville, NC

### Omens of Halitherses

Solo Exhibition

April 2022 to July 2022  
Kefalonia, Greece

### Loosenart

Political Statements Group Exhibition

February 2022 to February 2022  
Rome, Italy

### Capture The Moment

Collaborative Photography Exhibition

September 2020 to October 2020  
New York City, NY

### Certaldo Alto

Collaborative Photography Exhibition

March 2019 to April 2019  
Florence, Italy

## PHILANTHROPY

### ARK Animal Shelter Volunteer

April 2022 to July 2022  
Kefalonia, Greece

### Peace Corps

Campus Ambassador

August 2020 to May 2021  
Greenville, NC

### World Central Kitchen COVID-19 Relief

Assistant Manager

March 2020 to July 2020  
New York City, NY

### True Colors Honoring Stonewall 2019

Photographer

November 2019 to April 2020  
Greenville, NC

### WCK Hurricane Florence Relief

Volunteer  
supported WCK's efforts to fly and air-drop hundreds of pounds of food and supplies to damaged coastal cities in North Carolina.

September 2018 to October 2018  
Coastal, NC

### Plan My Gap Year

Art Teacher  
Volunteered in New Delhi, India by lived and worked in an orphanage to aid in slum clinics and teaching art in schools for children with disabilities.

July 2017 to August 2017  
New Delhi, India

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## ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

**Design Ahead**  
Internship

January 2021 to May 2021  
Minneapolis, MN

**Pirate Media 1**  
Design Apprenticeship

January 2021 to May 2021  
Greenville, NC

## MILITARY EXPERIENCE

**United States Navy**  
Logistics Specialist

January 2012 to June 2014  
San Diego, California

**United States Navy**  
Presidential Honor Guard  
Participated multiple military ceremonies at  
The White House for President Barack Obama and  
foreign dignitaries.  
One of the youngest recipients of  
The "NAM" Navy and Marine Corps achievement medal.

August 2010 to January 2012  
Washington, D.C.

## BIOGRAPHY

Born in Baltimore Maryland 1992, the probability of me being dead or negative statistic was inherited from birth. With the help of those who have come into my life, I have triumphed over those odds and wish it help others overcome their adversity. I believe progressive art aids social justice by using its polyrhythmic mediums to give form to the thoughts, needs, and pains of a broken society. As an advocate for social justice and artist, my goal is to use impactful images, easily accessible copy, and strategic design to engage and inspire my audience. Passion, deception, faith, and spontaneity, are constant themes throughout our world. Navigating these experiences through different mediums is my attempt to shape this reality with imagination and passion. Photography and graphic design are the mediums I nurture as a way of bringing tangibility to my imagination.