

## **JAMES DAVIS JR.**

One of the most recognized emerging music directors, James Davis Jr. has proven himself to be an artistic leader who captivates musicians, audiences, and communities with his deep passion for music. Well---versed in classical, jazz, and contemporary music alike, James has supervised musical productions at Radio City Music Hall, Lincoln Center, The Metropolitan Museum of Art and The Apollo Theater. For over six years, James has served as the Director of Music Ministries & Fine Arts at the historic Abyssinian Baptist Church (New York City). He has also served as the Associate Music Director for Opera Ebony of New York for the past 3 years. James is the founder and President of JDJ Music, Inc. and has made an imprint both culturally and globally on the music scene. He has produced and arranged music for both film and television, including Spike Lee's Red Hook Summer and a State Farm Insurance commercial commemorating the 10th Anniversary of 9/11. Throughout his career, James has collaborated with a myriad of artists across all genres, including Ashford & Simpson, Alicia Keys, Jessye Norman, John Legend, Lyle Lovett, Richard Smallwood and Wynton Marsalis. A native of Winstonville, Mississippi, James is a 2004 cum laude graduate of Morehouse College (Atlanta, GA).