

Joshua Porter

Piano Accompanist, Akron City Gospel Singers

Joshua Porter is a professional keyboardist, producer, and music director hailing from Akron, Ohio, USA. Coming from a very musical family, he was exposed to various instruments and musical styles at an early age. However, being the son of a gospel songstress and choir director, he naturally gravitated toward the rhythmic and soulful musical styles of the Black Church.

At the age of fifteen, he landed his first job as the pianist and organist for St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, rising to the position of Music Director by the age of seventeen. From there, Joshua went on to earn his Bachelors in Piano and Jazz Studies at Clark Atlanta University, followed by a Masters in Global Entertainment & Music Business from Berklee College of Music - Valencia. Throughout his undergraduate and graduate years of study, Josh gained countless hours of experience working for artists as a music producer, live show programmer, music director, and session keyboardist. These experiences allowed him to venture away from the familiar church genres into other, contrasting genres that gave him a well-rounded and diverse musical experience. He is currently residing back in his hometown, where he serves as the Pastor of Worship at Mount Calvary Baptist Church.