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ROLES

Edmonia	Edmonia (Banfield)	Interlochen Center for the Arts	2023
1st Lady	Die Zauberflöte	University of Michigan Chamber Opera	2022
Frau Herz	Der Schauspieldirektor	University of Michigan Opera	2020
Edmonia	Edmonia	University of Michigan Opera	2020
Sparrow	Bre'r Rabbit and the Tar Baby (Okoye)	University of Michigan Opera	2019
Little Emile (Cover)	Champion (Blanchard)	Kennedy Center	2017

CONCERT

Soloist	Edmonia in Concert	Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra	2023
Soloist	Singing Justice Concert	University of Michigan Singing Justice Initiative	2022
Soloist	United in Song: Celebration of American Roots	PBS Special	2021
Soloist	One Voice: American Roots	PBS Special	2021
Soloist	New Opera Works	University of Michigan	2019
Soloist	New Music Works Collage	University of Maryland	2018

COMPETITIONS & AWARDS

3rd Place	Black Brilliance Competition	Pleiades Project	2023
Recipient	Dina Soresi Winter Voice Award	Dina Soresi Winter Voice Award	2022
1st Place	Spiritual Category	NATS: National Level	2020
1st Place	Advanced Category	NATS: Great Lakes Region	2020
1st Place	Spiritual Category	NATS: Great Lakes Region	2020

EDUCATION

University of Michigan School of Music, Theater, & Dance	Specialist in Music in Vocal Performance	2023
University of Michigan School of Music, Theater, & Dance	Master of Music in Vocal Performance	2021
University of Maryland, College Park	Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance	2019

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE & SKILLS

Language Experience: beginner Italian, German, & French	Audio Engineer & Producer	Extensive Experience in R&B/Jazz
Featured Artist in recordings for the African Diaspora Music Project (2021)		

TEACHERS

Louise Toppin
Robert Cantrell
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COACHES

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