



ariel alexis

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Ariel always knew music would be a part of her life. As a child, she and her family moved to Miami, and it was there that her love for music began to grow even more.

Singing since age 4, at 8 years old, she began taking violin lessons, and by 8th grade she'd self-taught herself piano, eventually picking up guitar, and honing her skills in songwriting, and audio-production.

When she was 15 years old she accepted Christ and it was then that she felt God was calling her to minister through music.

After graduating from Miami-Dade College with her Associates in Music Education, she was offered a scholarship to the Berklee College of Music, but chose to stay in Miami to continue ministry and pursue her education at the University of Miami.

For her, writing began as a way of escape from painful realities in her young life. But she never would have thought any of her words would have reached beyond the pages of her notebook. Now, at age 22, merging her faith with her passion for music and spoken word, with a blend of jazz, rock, soul, gospel, blues and classical influences, she's gone from being a closet singer, to singing on stages both big and small, all for the glory of God.



Performance History

From 2004 to 2008, Ariel participated in a gospel community choir called the Miami Norland Community Choir.

During her time in the group she had the opportunity to experience many platforms such as performing on Dr. Bobby Jones' "The Word Network", to sharing the stage with Johnny Sanders, and Canton Jones, backing Grammy-Award winning Gloria Estefan, and traveling and performing at various churches and venues throughout North and South Florida.

In 2009, she was featured on local artist "V.Keys'" inspirational track titled "Don't Let Life".

In college, she constantly performed in classical choir, musical theatre, and pop & jazz ensembles, eventually branching out and performing her own original music in school, and local churches.

Particularly shy as a child, being a solo artist was the furthest thing from her mind. But when a friend encouraged her to enter a songwriting contest for God Belongs In My City-Miami with her original song "M.I.A" featuring Paul Morris and E-van from the Christian hip-hop group Authentik, and she won, she knew that this was only the beginning of what God had in store.

Since then, she's had the opportunity to minister at several events, including the God Belongs In My City, Come Together Tour 2013, alongside Heesun Lee, Skrip, KJ-52, Mac Repts, Anointed, and Amante Lacey. Her song "M.I.A" is currently featured on Wade-O Radio, a Christian hip-hop and radio news blog.

links/social media



A-Var from [Audioblog](#)

"As an artist, Ariel has a lot of natural, raw and trained talent."

music:

<https://soundcloud.com/wadeoradio/ariel-pottinger-m-i-a-feat-e>

articles:

http://wadeoradio.com/event-review-god-belongs-in-my-city-miami-prayer-walk/20130601_120038/

<http://www.wsvn.com/features/articles/parent/mi94697/>

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"I don't want people to just be "wowed" by the music, but by the God that I serve. "

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