

Keanu Williams

EDUCATION

The Fashion Institute of Technology

New York, NY

Bachelor's degree in Fashion Design, Special Occasion concentration, with a Minor in Art History | Class of 2023 | Associates degree in Fashion Design, Sportswear Concentration | Class of 2020

EXPERIENCE

September 2025- March 2026

National Harbor Pink on the Pier Runway show | Featured Designer

National Harbor, MD

The featured designer showcased a 12 look collection from RTW-Bridal.

April 2026

National Harbor Pink on the Pier Runway show | Featured Designer

National Harbor, MD

The featured designer showcased a 12 look collection from RTW-Bridal.

JUNE 2024

Coach x Coachtopia Emerging Designer Panel | Featured Designer

Coach Headquarters, New York, NY

Featured panelist for Coach x Coachtopia Emerging Designer Panel for Coach Dream day.

MAY 2023

Future of Fashion Fashion show 2023 | Featured Designer

Fashion Institute of Technology, New York, NY

Two Special Occasion Couture gowns featured in Fashion show and on website.

With Design guidance from Marchesa's Georgina Chapman and Anna Holvik.

<https://fashionshow.fitnyc.edu/fof2023/index.html>

JANUARY – JUNE 2023

Christian Siriano | Design Intern

Soho, New York, NY

Assisted with design work for the atelier. Patternmaking, Draping, Sewing, Fittings, all aspects of production.

FEBRUARY 23 2023

Made to Measure dress for Ruth Carter NAACP IMAGE AWARDS

Los Angeles, CA

Made to Measure Couture gown made for Ruth Carter at the NAACP IMAGE AWARDS, Inaugural Costume Design Category.

FASHION DESIGNER

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Portfolio link:

<https://www.keanuwilliams.com/portfolio>

DESIGN SKILLS

Concept Ideation

Sketching

Sewing

Hand Sewing

Embellishment

Draping

Pattern making

Styling

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

Photoshop / Illustrator

Computer Skills

Social Media

Photography

CAD

ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS

Organization

Time Management

Critical Thinking

Detail Oriented

Communication

JANUARY– MAY 2022

Paula Varsalona LTD | Bridal intern

New York City, NY

Assisted the design team, sales team and Fit team. All aspects of production and customer experience.

FEBRUARY – MARCH 2022

Macy's Black History Month Window Display | Featured Designer

Macy's Herald Square, New York, NY

Showcased 3 Keanu Williams looks for the Macy's window display. Collaborated with the Macy's display team on the staging and space of the window presentation.

OCTOBER 2021- MAY 2022

Prada | Intern

New York, NY

Assisted with Public Relations, Event Planning, DEI, Fashion Production.

FEBRUARY 2021 – PRESENT

K. Nassia Made to Measure | Founder and Head designer

New York, NY

All phases of design, Made to Measure Couture Pieces for private clients.

MARCH 2021

Macy's Annual spring flower show | Lead Designer

New York, NY

Designed a featured look for the window display for the Macy's Flower Show showcasing FIT students floral inspired creations.

JUNE 2020 – AUGUST 2020

DPR Fashion Runway Camp | Featured Designer

Washington, DC

Designed a 10 piece collection titled "Black Eminence" for the Camp showcase.

AUGUST 2016 – JUNE 2019

Katherine Smith Contemporary Dance Ensemble | Costume Designer

Washington, DC

Assisted with designing, creating and establishing the costumes for several dance works for the Spring Showcase.

ACHIEVEMENTS

DECEMBER 2022 – 2023

Coach Mentorship | Chelsea Cowan

New York, NY

Chelsea Cowan mentored through all aspects of Design and Brand Development.

CFDA 2023 Design Scholarship Recipient

Awarded the Coach Dream It Real X CFDA Circular Design Scholarship which is designed to support exemplary talent capable to lead and captain change in a global society.

Prada Group 2021/2022 Scholarship Recipient

Awarded a full Scholarship, which is aimed to help further education of diverse students pursuing a career in fashion.