

**Rayesha Talley**  
**Actor & Director**

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**Professional Acting Experience**

*Living Museum Project*, dir Y. Williams      Myrlie Evers      Smith Robertson Cultural & Museum

**Academic Acting Experience**

*Talk to Me Like the Rain*      Woman      JSU Mainstage  
& *Let Me Listen*, dir. F. Floyd  
*Shhh..She's Speaking*, dir Y. Williams      Ensemble      JSU Mainstage  
*Zooman & the Sign*, dir. M. Henderson      Ash      JSU Mainstage  
*Before it Hits Home*, dir. P. Duren      Reba      NADSA Conference  
*Keep Your Eyes on the Prize*      Ensemble      NADSA Conference  
dir. M.Henderson

**Academic Directing Experience**

*Suddenly Last Summer*      Director      JSU Studio  
*Almost Maine, Getting it Back*      Director      JSU Studio  
*The Brother's Size* (Stage)      Director      JSU Studio  
*The Brother's Size* (Film)      Director      JSU Studio

**Film Experience**

*A Day to Die*, dir W. Miller      Production Assistant      SPITE the Movie, LLC

**Training**

Fundamentals of Acting- Professor Yolanda Williams  
Advanced Acting- Prof. Yolanda Williams  
Techniques in Directing- Prof. Yolanda Williams  
Play Production- Prof. Yolanda Williams  
Introduction to Technical Production- Prof. James Pettis  
Dramatic Criticism- Prof. Yolanda Williams  
Oral Interpretation- Dr. Randrika Henderson  
Sound Design- Prof. Kenyatta Williams  
The Black Acting Methods- Dr. Sharell Lockett and Kashi Johnson

**Organizations**

JSU Chorale  
MADDRAMA Performance Troupe  
Lambda Sigma Honor Society  
Alpha Psi Omega National Theatre Honor Society

**Education**

B.A. in Speech Communication & Theatre, Jackson State University: May 2023

\*References and other Training Upon Request\*

^National Association for Dramatic & Speech Arts