

# Kia McCormick

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## EDUCATION

Sophomore at the USC Jimmy Iovine and Andre Young Academy.

Pursuing a B.S. in the Arts Technology and the Businesses of Innovation.

- A team based major dedicated to teaching interdisciplinary and design thinking skills in preparation for students to solve problems creatively.

## AWARDS

- Silver President's Volunteer Service Award
- USC Presidential Scholar
- Destination Imagination Scholar
- Fashion Scholarship Fund Recipient 2021
- (Team award) 1st place Destination Imagination Regional Competition

## TEAMWORK

### Trash to Treasure Club (2017)

- Club President – Organized and led a team in building a welded sculpture out of recycled bed frames for the city of San Ramon. Sculpture was displayed at the city's anniversary celebration.

### Destination Imagination (2011 - 2019)

- Team member - Worked on a team to solve technical challenges creatively using performative arts as the medium to present creative solutions.
- Project manager - Designed and built backdrops, set pieces, and costumes.

### DOXA House build (2017, 2019)

- Team member - On a team that built a home for a family in Tijuana, Mexico.
- Project manager - Organized a team to design and build a dog house for the family.

## EXPERIENCE

### Samsung (May 2020 - August 2020)

- Design strategist - Collaboratively worked on a team to conduct user research and iterate solutions by using the design thinking process. (NDA)

### Photon Vault (May 2020 - present)

- UI/UX Internship - Drew and refined patents. Did UI/UX and development of an investor website and marketing campaign.

### Dun & Bradstreet (May 2020 - present)

- UI/UX Internship - Currently conducting research on the importance of design systems, information architecture, and mental models for UI/UX.

### YMCA x DFA National Youth Changemakers (September 2020 - December 2020)

- Product Manager - Facilitated communication, worked collaboratively on a team of USC students through the design process to prototype and develop a website for YMCA student changemakers.

## SKILLS

**DESIGN:** Photoshop, Illustrator, Figma, Sketch | 3D: Fusion 360, Blender

**CODE:** Html, Css | **PHYSICAL:** Woodworking, Welding (ARC, TIG, MIG)