

MIKKO BLAZE BORDEAUX

Minnesota's Karaoke King, Mikko Blaze Bordeaux has been lighting up the Twin Cities Drag and Burlesque stages since 2009. You can catch this gentleman with The Vigilantease Collective and his band Hurricane Blaze all over town! Blaze has performed to sold out crowds at the historic First Avenue with "Grown & Sexy". He's also opened with The Vigilantease Collective for Top artists such as En Vogue and Brandy at twin Cities pride 2017 and 2016. In 2018 The karaoke World Championships removed the Male and Female categories for solos in to one category with one winner. Blaze became the first openly transgender Champion and the first international solo winner.

Mikko Blaze Bordeaux was born in Miami, Florida, to immigrant parents from Honduras. He began singing at the age of 5, after a tragic accident left him hospitalized. After years of Surgeries and recoveries, Blaze's family moved to Minnesota for more medical care opportunities. He is grateful that he survived and is thankful he was able to find his voice during his long recovery.

Blaze Speaks fluent Spanish, and is very proud of his Afro-Latinx roots. He is as passionate about activism and serving his community. He attended the Perpich Center For arts Education High school and studied Music. After years of training and learning by ear, Blaze began working with Katie Powell and Miriam Kim, which lead to his success in the Karaoke World Championships Organization.

Blaze brings a unique perspective, coming from the burlesque and Drag scene. Blaze has worked with Local troupes such as the The Vigilantease Collective, Flip Phone, Dragged out, Transcendence Cabaret, Melanated Menagerie, and Black hearts burlesque. He takes pride in his vocal agility but also his showmanship and colorful attire. He understands the

importance of vocal accuracy as well as creating a concept on stage to tell a story.

Blaze is currently working on his EP and hopes to become a full-time musician. He hopes to use his voice to inspire people. He wants to be the role model he needed as a child, and be a strong voice for the transgender and LGBTPA+ community.

Notable Burlesque Festival Performances:

- 2019 Jeezy's Juke Joint in Chicago, IL
- 2018/'17/'16 Minneapolis Burlesque festival in Minneapolis, MN
- 2017 Nerdlesque Festival, New York City, NY
- 2016 Fierce Burlesque festival in Pittsburg, PA

Titles Blaze has held include:

- 2018 Karaoke World Championships Gold medalist
- 2018 USA Karaoke World Championships Solo Male Gold medalist
- 2018 Minnesota state fair Talent show Finalist
- 2017 Karaoke World Championships Duets Silver Medalist
- 2017 USA Karaoke World Championships Duets gold medalist
- 2017 Mr. Gay Latino Saloon
- 2017 USA Karaoke World Championships Solo Male fifth place
- 2016 USA Karaoke World Championships Solo Male fifth place
- 2016 Minnesota Karaoke World Championships State Finalist
- 2016 Patio'oke Idol Winner
- 2009 Innuendo Idol Winner