

## **Passage Theatre's 2024 Gala**

April 6, 2024 | 6:00pm

Trenton Country Club

### **Phillip McConnell — Outstanding Emerging Artisan Award**

**Phillip McConnell** is a multidisciplinary visual artist, filmmaker, writer, and spoken word artist from Trenton, New Jersey. The main concentration within his art focuses on abstract, surrealist digital artwork called Glitch Art. Glitch Art is the aesthetic of digital errors, created by corrupting the data of pictures. He uses varying techniques and different coding languages. With all his work, Phillip seeks to inspire and create art that resonates with his audience's thoughts and feelings they may not know how to express. He wants them to see his work and to see themselves in it. Phillip ultimately wants people to see that thinking abstract or discussing emotions within art should be a normal thing for a black creative and that fellow black creatives shouldn't have to always discuss trauma within their work.