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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Film

Columbia University,
New York, NY
September 2017 - May 2021

KEY SKILLS

- Filmmaking
- Videography
- Post-Production
- Script Writing
- Storytelling

An aspiring Film Director with entry-level experience specializing in cinematography, narrative storytelling, script writing, and post-production. Adept at directing independent drama films centered on the unique cultural experience of immigrants in modern American society.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Film Director

IndieFilm Productions, New York, NY | May 2021 – June 2022

- Directed, wrote, and produced a coming-of-age drama film, *Absence*, which focused on the upbringing of a teenage immigrant from Guangzhou adjusting to life in America, including overcoming adversity and struggling with loss of cultural identity
- Shot, edited, and trimmed scenes to ensure ideal pacing and coordinated with actors and actresses to capture emotional performances
- Oversaw post-production activities, including sequencing, sound production, color correction, and editing in Final Cut Pro X

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Film Projects

Columbia University, New York, NY | May 2019 – May 2021

- Directed and wrote a short film detailing a conversation between two friends in a coffee shop that have drifted apart over the years and lost their personal connection
- Coordinated lighting, cinematography, and post-production activities and provided direction to actors to ensure alignment with artistic vision