YIDI CHEN

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EDUCATION

Toronto Metropolitan University

Sep 2021 - Present

Bachelor of Fine Arts, New Media (Minor in Communication Design)

- CGPA: 3.93/4.33
- Coursework: Tangible Media (A+), Game Engine (A+), Cybernetics and Body Centric Technologies (A+), Interactive Spaces (A+), Photoshopped! The Art of Image (A+), Contemporary Strategies (A+), Intro to Computational Arts (A+), 3D Printing (A), Typography (A), Advanced New Media Topics (Ants, Agents, and Automatons) (A), Design and Layout (A), Interactive Storytelling (A), Motion Graphics, Visual Communication, **Experiential Media**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

May 2024 - Aug 2024 Sina Weibo (Beijing)

Graphic Designer of Beauty and Makeup Group - Intern

- Visual Design: Independently designed event posters and extended visual materials, ensuring consistency and alignment with the guidelines.
- UI Design: Designed and implemented digital banners, interactive elements, and wireframe layouts to capture audience attention and visually communicate brand uniqueness under tight deadlines.
- Curating and Promoting Event Highlights: Selected high-quality works from events and designed promotional materials to enhance outreach efforts and audience engagement of the event.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

popMatrix(); Exec Team Oct 2024 - Present

Graphic Designer

• Graphic Design: Created visually engaging promotional materials, including posters, for popMatrix();, a market showcasing handmade and fabricated goods by New Media students.

OCTO ZONE (Toronto) Sep 2023 - Present

Graphic Designer & Shop Assistant - Part time

- Graphic Design: Designed visually engaging promotional materials such as event posters, social media graphics, and digital screen ads to enhance customer interaction and improve event visibility.
- Event Planning: Conceptualized and executed in-store events, focusing on creating mini-games and activities for different festivals, and developed props and decorations tailored to specific events.

Toronto Metropolitan University Chinese Students and Scholars Association TMUCSSA Executive Committee Member

- Content Creation: Authored sections of the Freshman Handbook, focusing on campus life and academic resources to support new students' transition to university.
- Podcast Production: Recorded and edited RUOK podcast episodes, collaborated with team members to brainstorm topics, conduct interviews, and ensure high-quality post-production.
- Social Media Design: Designed and managed social media posts to promote events and engage the student community.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Design and Media Tools: Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects Interactive and Modeling Software: TouchDesigner, Tinkercad, Fusion 360

Fabrication Tools: Laser Cutting, 3D Printing

Hardware and Programming: Arduino, MakeCode (Adafruit)

Productivity Tools: Microsoft Office

Languages: English (Fluent), Chinese (Native)

May 2022 - Present