LILY GUCFA

Architectural Designer & Organizer

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Education

Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)

Providence, RI

Bachelor of Architecture, 2024 Nature-Culture Sustainability

ACE Mentorship Program RI

2016 - 2019

Professional Experience

Exhibit Designer June - Nov 2023 Cultural Society, Remote

- Funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, developed the design, construction, and research for the Cultural Society's Chinese American History Traveling Exhibit prototype in Rhode Island.
- Consulted with historical archives, special collections, nonprofits, and experts in AAPI history and museum design.

Educational Planning Intern Summer 2022 CIVIC, Providence, RI

- Completed 12 architectural renderings for public presentations and renovation plans.
- Researched best practices in K-12 educational planning in Bristol-Warren and Whitman School Districts; guided 5 faculty, student, and stakeholder visioning workshops.
- Wrote 4 high-level reports of project site deficiencies and revitalization strategies for the MSBA and Providence Department of Sustainability.

Teaching Assistant March 2020 - 2022 RISD Continuing Education Program, Providence, RI

- Collaborated with art educators to host 12 six-week teen classes on 2D Animation, Photography, Storyboarding, Architecture, Drawing, Design & Portfolio Prep, and Film.
- Led critique and communicated feedback via email, educational software Canvas, Google Classroom, and Zoom. Monitored and troubleshot occuring technology issues with IT Services.

Project Intern March 2019 - May 2019 Ed Wojcik Architect Ltd., Providence, RI

- Supported the Project Manager in client and vendor consultations, and conducted 2 on-site IBS code inspections.
- Managed construction schedules in Excel and updated dormitory renovation plans in AutoCAD.
- Learned basic office adminstrative tasks and project management processes.

Skills

Architectural Design

Concept Development, Schematic Design, FF&E Specifications, Space Planning, Product Sourcing, Design Documentation, Digital Illustration, Rendering, Model making

Research & Communications

Historical Preservation, Oral History Documentation, Stakeheolder Interviews, Workshop Facilitation, Presentation Writing, Zine Designer

Software

Rhino 6, Revit, AutoCAD, Lumion, SketchUp, InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, G Suite

Leadership

Co-President RISD NOMAS 2023 - present

Planned department-wide community outreach and professional development events, 2 black tie dances, and a Spring Speaker Series featuring BIPOC women in architecture.

Resident Assistant 2021 - present

Fostered a safe and welcoming housing experience for 60+ undergraduates. Managed resident conflicts and mental health crises. Held 24+ educational programs on topics of financial literacy, sleep deprivation, and sex health Budgeted supplies, worked with caterers and sourced vendors.

President Brown University China Care 2019 - 2023

Programmed and facilitated mentorship sessions and Mandarin lessons for 20 elementary students and 10 college students on a monthly basis.

Managed \$2000 budget and fundraising for OneSky Foundation. Supervised community partnerships, family outreach and member recruitment.

Scholarships & Awards

Prescott O. Clarke Scholarship 2021- 2024
Norman Chan '84 Endowed Scholarship 2023
CMiC Allen Berg Memorial Scholarship 2019