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SUMMARY

Practicing arts administrator seeking Graduate program in Creative Enterprises to further develop the understanding of cultural commerce. Strong technical proficiency with Exhibition Developing and in-depth knowledge of Administrative work coupled with researching and writing abilities. Multilingual and fluent in English, Mandarin, and Cantonese, offering solid comprehension of cultural diversity.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sullivan Galleries Jan 2017 - May 2020, Chicago
Gallery Technician and Program Assistant

- Facilitated troubleshooting, maintenance, and turnover for the 32,000 square feet gallery space. Managed various event logistics and activity sites.
- Implemented in installing more than ten large scale exhibitions. Mastered skills of handling art works of all mediums and sizes.

Ullens Center for Contemporary Art Sep 2018 - November 2018, Beijing
Intern at the Exhibition Department

- Worked closely with team members to deliver project requirements, develop solutions, and achieve coordination.
- Collaborated in the development of several large exhibitions, including Picasso – Birth of a Genius and Civilization: The Way We Live Now.
- Supported the Exhibition department by compiling paperwork, conducting research, translating documents, tracking loan status, and taking detailed meeting minutes.

CITIC Press Group Jul 2018 - Aug 2018, Beijing
Intern

- Managed social media and marketing strategy for Cereal Magazine and received 100+ followers within a month.

de Sarthe Gallery Jul 2017 - Aug 2017, Beijing
Intern

- Maintained exhibition status, conducted researches about commissioned artists, oversaw the installing of exhibitions

Education

School of the Art Institute of Chicago Aug 2016 - Dec 2020, Chicago
Bachelor of Fine Arts with an Emphasis in Arts Administration

- The Merit Scholarship (2016-2020)
- "48.24.12" video contest nominator
- Relevant Coursework: Curatorial Project, Cultural Anthropology, Exhibition Design Practice, Intellectual Properties, Small Business Startup, Creative Industry, Flexible Art Worlds, Sociology of Food

Leadership Experience

Group Exhibition *Backyard Stories* Jan 2020 - Jan 2020, Chicago
Curator

- Exhibition curated with Selena Zhao, featured 11 young artists who address issues such as discomfort, vulnerability, and identity struggle through an interdisciplinary dialogue.

Group Exhibition *Light Sleepers* Apr 2018 - Apr 2018, Chicago
Curator

- Exhibition backed by Chinese Students & Scholars Association, featured 11 emerging artists in Chicago with Chinese cultural background who aim to break structural violence and question social norms.

Chinese Scholars and Students Association Jan 2017 - Jan 2020, Chicago
Head of the Public Relations Department

- Initiated various financial networks for emerging Chinese artists in Chicago, maintained and improved the momentary status of the association by seeking external cooperation and internal support within the school.

Other Experience and Skills

- Ocean Conservation Volunteer, International VolunteerHQ May 2017 - Jun 2017, Bali, Indonesia
- Freelance Food Photographer, CHIHUO Chicago, Jan 2017 - May 2017, Chicago
- Freelance Social Media and publicity manager, University of Chicago Fengche Theater, Jan 2017 - May 2017, Chicago
- Curatorial and design skills, administrative support, social media proficiency, Adobe and Google software skills
- Certifications: PADI Advanced Scuba Diving Certificate