# Raine Higa

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**EDUCATION** 

Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA Expected May 2023

Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Studies, Minor in Music | Cumulative GPA: 3.54

British American Drama Academy, London, England Jan. 2022 – Apr. 2022

London Theatre Program, Conservatory Acting Semester Program

Accademia dell'Arte, Arezzo, Italy

Oct. 2021 - Dec. 2021

Physical Theatre Program

#### **RELEVANT COURSES**

ASIAN STUDIES: Advanced Readings in Japanese (Wellesley College, 2022), Asian American Psychology (WC, 2021), Buddhism (WC, 2021), Asian Religions (WC 2020), Intermediate Japanese II (WC 2020)

CRITICAL ANALYSIS/WRITING: Playwriting (WC, 2022), Theatre History, Dramatic Criticism (BADA, 2022) Avant Garde (ADA, 2021), Opera History (WC, 2020), Writing Intensive (WC, 2020), Writing For Change (WC, 2019)

PERFORMANCE: Play Production: Cabaret (WC, 2022), Shakespeare, High Comedy, Modern Physical, (BADA, 2022), Clown, Storytelling, Devising, (ADA 2021) Play Production: Silent Sky (WC, 2020), Acting I (WC, 2019)

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Support for the LGBTQ+ Asian American Community at Wellesley College (Asian American Psychology, WC, 2021), Eri Yoshida: The Pitcher Behind the 'Knuckleball Princess' (Play Production, WC, 2020), The Danger of Preference: Why Race-Based Sexual Preference is Racist (Writing Intensive, WC, 2020), The Authentic Asian: How *Miss Saigon* Perpetuates Racist Misogyny (Writing For Change, WC, 2019)

#### **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Wellesley College Shakespeare Society, Wellesley, MA

Sept. 2022 – Present

People of Color in the Shakespeare Society Liaison

- Advised the directing and casting team for the society's production of *Macbeth (2022)*
- Advocated for the needs of POC members to the elected board of the society
- Built community through cultural exchange and potlucks
- Organized weekly POCIS meetings

### Hawaii Shakespeare Festival, Honolulu, HI

June 2020 – Aug. 2020

Assistant Stage Manager and House Manager for Love's Labour's Lost (2020)

- Responsible for sending emails and reminders to actors, and management team
- Executed Zoom cues for performances and rehearsals and designed music for show
- Managed the audience and recited preshow opening speech

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Chapel Hats, Honolulu, HI

Jun. 2021 – Aug. 2021

Full-time Sales Associate

- Built relationships with diverse clientele in an international tourist destination through attentive support
- Responsible for opening and closing and managing register
- Communicated and motivated the sales team to meet daily and weekly goals

## Hawaii Community Bail Fund, Honolulu, HI

Jun. 2021 – Aug. 2021

Community Organizer, Graphic Designer, Social Media Manager, Publicity Chair

- Managed social media accounts, sent emails to recruit volunteers
- Illustrated original designs using ProCreate and Photoshop for business cards and posters

# Skills

Computer Programing: R for statistical analysis, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Social Media Managing

Design: Machine and Hand-Sewing, Final Cut Pro, iMovie, ProCreate, SketchUp, Basic Adobe Photoshop Experience Languages: Fluent in Japanese (N2) and Conversational Italian