

# Sophie Sebastiani

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## Education

**Wellesley College**, Wellesley, MA, USA

September 2019 - May 2023

*Bachelor of Arts, Double Major in Economics and Media Arts and Sciences, cum laude Honors*

## Skills

- Proficient in Unity 2D/3D, HTML, CSS, Figma, Stata, Adobe Photoshop, Premiere Pro, InDesign, Illustrator, Microsoft Office Word, Excel, Powerpoint, and Google Applications
- Languages: English, Spanish {National Spanish Exam: **Level 1 Gold Medalist** (2017), **Level 3 Gold Medalist** (2018); **AAPPL Spanish Seal of Biliteracy** (2018)}

## Academic and Professional Experience

**Their Story is Our Story (TSOS)** - *Visual Storytelling Intern*

*October 2024 - November 2024 (Salt Lake City, Utah)*

- Developing short-form videos and additional audiovisual material that will support the future legislative and regulatory advocacy efforts of the Refugee Physician's Advocacy (RPA) coalition, an association of nonprofits led by Georgetown University School of Medicine, Northern Virginia (NOVA) Friends of Refugees, and Their Story is Our Story to assist refugee physicians in the DMV region to continue their careers in the United States.
- Other internship tasks include providing UX/UI design consulting for the TSOS website and editing a promotional video for the Somali American United Council (SAUC) to spotlight the work they are doing for Arizona-based refugees in Adobe Premiere Pro.

**Wellesley College Jewett Arts Center** - *Art Department & Gallery Assistant*

*September 2019 - May 2023 (Wellesley, Massachusetts)*

- Supported the Wellesley College Art Department and Jewett Arts Center Gallery with installing, deinstalling and handling artwork, coordinating with visiting artists, gallery preparation, and photographic documentation of exhibitions for the Art Dept. website.
- *March 2022* Assisted Massachusetts-based artist David Teng Olsen in painting a large-scale mural for Emerson College in the Boston Paramount Theater.
- *October 2021* Authored a descriptive exhibition review for the John Rhodes Collection of Quilts, Fall 2021 exhibition for the Wellesley College Art Department.
- *February - March 2020* Curated and installed an exhibition of children's art in Pendleton for the Wellesley College Child Study Center.
- *October - November 2020* Curated *Wellesley: A Time Capsule*: "student artwork left behind, recent and from years past", Fall 2020 exhibition for the Wellesley College Art Department.

**Social Accountability International (SAI)** - *Economic Research and Media Design Intern*

*June 2021 - August 2021 (New York, New York)*

- One of three summer interns completing remote economic research, creative and administrative work at an NYC-based NGO focused on the promotion of international labor rights through developing ethical guidelines for global businesses, targeting management.
- Completed three data and market research projects with written reports using international living wage datasets for SAI and the Global Living Wage Coalition (GLWC) utilizing Microsoft Excel and Google Sheets.
- Individual Project: Created a comprehensive 56-page handbook on Management Systems for SAI's SA8000® Program and developed new visual tools and guidance for undeveloped management system categories using Adobe InDesign and Illustrator.

**Wellesley College Hive Summer Internship Project** - *Artist Assistant*

*June 2020 - August 2020 (New York, New York)*

- Wellesley College Hive Internship with accomplished artist and art historian, Lynne Lawner.
- Completed technical and curatorial work for Lawner's summer portraiture project including selecting images from a series of photographs captured in Central Park, editing files in Photoshop, managing Lawner's social media accounts, as well as English and Italian transcription work for Lawner's memoir.

**QuestBridge** - *Scholar and Award Recipient*

- Alumni Member of QuestBridge Scholars Network (QSN) *May 2023 - Present*
- Selected as a National College Match Finalist *October 2018*
- Awarded **Quest for Excellence Arts & Humanities Award** *June 2018*

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### Selected Exhibitions

#### **Remember a Place Not Here: Wellesley College 2023 Senior Art Exhibition - Wellesley, MA**

- *May 5th - May 20th 2023* Photographs from my 2022 series, [Heading Across a Great Divide](#), displayed in Wellesley College's Jewett Sculpture Court and Hallway Galleries.

#### **Photographic Resource Center 2023 Student Showcase - Panopticon Gallery (Boston, MA)**

- *April 3rd - May 5th 2023* My photo collage, [500 Feet Away \(2023\)](#), was displayed in the Panopticon Gallery in Boston, one of the oldest fine art photography galleries in the United States, hosted by the Photographic Resource Center, a nonprofit based in Cambridge, MA.