

Education

Carnegie Mellon University
Expected May 2026
Bachelor's of Computer Science and Art,
Minor in Animation and SFX

Selected Coursework

Imperative Programming
Functional Programming
Theoretical Computer Science
Concepts of Robotics

3D Animation Pipeline
Technical Character Animation
Music Video Production—Sound + Vision

Recognition

Ovation Film Fest, 2024
SCS Dean's List, 2022-2023
CMU Hack112 Social Good Award, 2022

Skills

Python
C/C++
Standard ML
HTML & CSS
LaTeX
JavaScript

Adobe Creative Suite
Final Cut Pro
Logic Pro
DaVinci Resolve
Unity
ZBrush & Maya
p5.js
TouchDesigner

Work

Teaching Assistant, CMU 15-112: Fundamentals of Programming

Jan 2023-Aug 2024
Taught introductory concepts such as recursion, OOP, and DFS to a weekly recitation of 20 students. Held OH and weekly tutoring sessions. Mentored 10 students to write a 1000-1500 line term project.

Software Engineer Intern, VeriSilicon Holdings Co., Ltd.

May 2023-Aug 2023
Implemented neural-network topology checker to assess product quality and aid future testing. Revised onboarding environment installation documentation to help new interns and employees.

Head of Photography, Lunar Gala

Oct 2023-March 2024
Led team of photographers. Hosted weekly ideation meetings, photographed 100+ garments, and created website and print assets for annual student-run LG fashion show with 1000+ attendees.

Freelance Work

Dec 2019-Present
Managed 50+ photography and videography commissions. Clients include Pinterest and Meta/Facebook.

Projects

FrameCAD

November 2024–Present
Web development project in collaboration with Viviana Staicu and Eliseea Faur. Immersive online tool where student artists can test out arranging their art in the Frame Gallery at CMU. This project is still in its early stages.

Elysium Website

Oct 2024–Present
Collaborated with 9 members to create final website deliverable for 2025 Lunar Gala Elysium show.

Diagram Appropriation

Oct 2024
Personal web development project created with p5.js. Displays network of scratch paper for CS classes and how diagrams influence my artwork.

Suanna Zhong Youtube Channel

Aug 2020-Present
Personal YouTube Channel for filmmaking projects and documenting artwork. Garnered 4K+ watch hours and 150K+ views.

Real Tree Lesbians

Jan-April 2024
Directed and composed original music for queer short film. Featured in 2024 Ovation Film Fest. The film follows two Asian queer college students coming to terms with their sexuality, rejecting social norms, and finding acceptance in a heteronormative environment.