# **Christopher Shia**

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Yale University, New Haven, CT

May, 2027

BA in Computing and the Arts, Certificate in Japanese

- Cumulative GPA: 4.0
- Richard U. Light Fellowship Recipient

Relevant Coursework:

Art of the Game; Intro to Graphic Design; 3D Modeling; Data Structures and Programming Techniques

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Amoriem Labs (Yale Undergraduate Game Developers), Project Lead, New Haven, CT

9/23 - Present

- Led the development and full release of a three-hour visual novel with a 19-person team over the course of a year.
- Conducted playtesting with the Yale community, continuing iterative development based on feedback.
- Lead the development of a new game project developed on Unity for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Plan speaker events with professors and game jams, expanding club outreach with the executive board.

### Yale University, Bass Library/SML Frontline Services Assistant, New Haven, CT

8/24 - Present

- Assist patrons from across the community in finding preliminary reference help and checking out equipment.
- Respond to student inquiries on library materials and services and correspond with library staff.

### Yale University, Schwarzman Mural Project, New Haven, CT

5/24 - 9/24

- Designed an original art piece for a collaborative student mural in the Schwarzman Center at Yale University.
- Contributed concepts of magical realism and overlaying that were incorporated into final product.
- Communicated with a team of a dozen freshmen artists on theming for the collage mural.

## EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

## **Davenport Pops Orchestra,** Publicity Chair, New Haven, CT

4/24 - Present

- Design original posters and branding based on concert theme for four concerts every year.
- Manage social media accounts and reach out to the local community every concert cycle. •
- Organize and plan concerts for 110+ member orchestra with a 20+ person board.
- Contributed arrangements of video game music with the arranging team to two concert cycles.

### Yale Computer Society, Design Team, New Haven, CT

1/24 - Present

- Create logos, branding, UI/UX, and mockups on Figma for Yale Computer Society products.
- Collaborate with design team members and software development teams to create user-friendly sites and software.

#### AAFC Student Planning Committee, Student Head, Concord, NH

4/22 - 4/23

- Organized the Asian American Footsteps Conference 2023, an annual event for 300+ Asian-identifying students and faculty from New England independent high schools.
- Built the program of the day, reviewed 30+ workshop proposals, and curated theming and branding.
- Managed a 50+ person student planning committee with four subcommittees.
- Corresponded with faculty advisors, staff, and students from 15+ different schools.

#### **SKILLS AND INTERESTS**

- Computer Skills: C, C#, C++, Python, HTML, CSS, SQL, Racket
- Application Skills: Unity, Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, Figma, Procreate, Aseprite, Ren'Py, RPG Maker
- Language Skills: English, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish, Japanese (ACTFL Intermediate/Advanced)
- Interests: Game Design, Interactive Narratives, Computer Science, Graphic Design, Creative Writing, DEIJ