

# JIA YUN ZHANG

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## EDUCATION

GPA: 3.99

### Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)

Bachelor of Fine Arts  
Illustration | 2024

### Brown University

Psychology Course | 2023

## SKILLS

### Artistic Skills

Drawing, Painting, Sculpting,  
Textiles, Collage, Animation,  
Printmaking, Photography

### Softwares

Adobe Photoshop, Blender, ZBrush,  
Adobe Illustrator, Procreate, Adobe  
Premiere Pro, SAI, Visual Studio Code

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Healthcare Designer

Boston, MA Jul 2023-Sept 2023

#### GoInvo

- Co-lead projects using conceptual design, research, and rapid prototyping to create healthcare digital services
- Designed <https://www.healthcareprinciples.org/> to communicate the fundamental values, goals, and ethical considerations that underpin the United States healthcare system
- Prototyped AI Pearl, a health assistant that helps people assess and monitor their health at home and provides fear-free, timely care for patients

### Teaching Assistant

Providence, RI

Sept-Dec 2021

June-Aug 2022

Sept-Oct 2023

#### Rhode Island School of Design

- Assisted instructors in providing support and feedback to students
- Helped with the research and building of course content
- Organized class tours to the RISD museum and Nature Lab

### Curatorial Intern

Beijing, China Jun 2021-Aug 2021

#### Algaed Academy

- Co-curate the *Remote Landing 2021 Graduation Show*
- Led the exhibition information group
- Communicated with artists and institutions worldwide

### Mental Health Art Intern

Remote Jun 2021-Aug 2021

#### Liberate: My OCD Fighter

- Developed, designed, and published a variety of illustrations for social media posts, blog banners, and magazines for promoting audiences' self-care and mental well-being
- Conducted media research to make mental wellness knowledge more accessible, understandable, and fun to learn
- Actively connected to people and led projects to advocate for a balance between the seriousness of the topic and de-stigmatize the public impressions of psychological disorders

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

### Trauma Screening Instrument Designer

Boston Medical Center

Remote Sept 2022-present

- Designed trauma screening cards to help children disclose traumatic experiences and related symptoms to their therapists

### Artist at Children's Ward

Beijing Capital Institute of Pediatrics

Beijing, China Summer 2020

- Visited children with leukemia with gifts from their wish lists
- Made art with children and their families to help them combat pain and welcome an optimistic attitude

### Art and Language Teacher

Siem Reap, Cambodia Summer 2019

Building Future Opportunity Kbalromeas School

- Provided English, Mandarin, and drawing courses to children aged 6 to 18 in Cambodia's countryside to support their development and future employment

# ACADEMIC RESEARCH & PRESENTATIONS

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## Drawing as a Tool for Fostering Children's Learning of Object Names

Spring 2023    Brown University    CLPS 0610 Children's Thinking    Author

- Reviewed and summarized the previous studies relevant to the topic
- Constructed a detailed research proposal investigating the effectiveness of incorporating drawing tasks into language learning sessions for improving 4-year-olds' ability to learn object names
- Peer-reviewed other students' research proposals on topics of children's cognitive development

## Art Therapy within the Indigenous Communities (Presentation)

Spring 2023    Rhode Island School of Design    LAS-E322 Imagining Indigenous Futurities    Presenter

- Examined cases of appropriation, commercialization, and mis-advertisements (that use "art therapy" as a label) of Indigenous cultures
- Introduced cases of art therapy practice and art therapists within the Indigenous communities
- Advocated for building a creative framework for decolonization, better understanding and media representation of art therapy, and a better relationship with the Indigenous cultures

## Striking Chords II: Music in Ukiyo-e Prints

Spring 2022    Rhode Island School of Design    THAD H791 Ukiyo-e Prints    Co-Author, Virtual Exhibition Curator

- Conducted extensive research in the RISD museum and worked on formal analysis of the exhibition items
- Co-authored the essay "Stage, Fashion, and Dance: From Toyokuni III to Edo Japan" in the exhibition catalogs
- Curated a virtual exhibition for the selected prints

## Green Consumption: A Wandering Seed

Spring 2022    Rhode Island School of Design    HPSS S101 Environmental Sociology    Author

- Researched green consumption's complexity and the gap between its theoretical blueprint and real-life effectiveness
- Mapped out different positions in the field and reviewed the arguments of scholars

## Sunscreen: The Truths Behind Nivea

Spring 2021    Rhode Island School of Design    HPSS S101 Environmental Sociology    Co-Author

- Researched sunscreen's history and its socioeconomic, political, and environmental impact
- Analyzed Nivea as a case study to investigate sunscreen's construction of the global factory
- Reviewed the racial and gender issues in the sunscreen advertisements and their impact on beauty standards

# EXHIBITIONS

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Society of Illustrators    New York City, NY    2023  
Student Exhibition    Group Exhibition

ESSERE International Young    Online    2022  
Artist Exhibition    Group Exhibition

RISD BFA Illustration    Providence, RI    2023  
Junior Exhibition    Group Exhibition

Borderless - Joan Miro    Shenzhen, China    2022  
Co-Exhibition    Group Exhibition

Island of Light    New York City, NY    2022  
Group Exhibition

YAM Open Exhibition    Shanghai, China    2022  
Group Exhibition

Clear in the Forest    Providence, RI    2023  
Group Exhibition

The Feat    Shanghai, China    2022    Group Exhibition

Omni Art Expo    Online    2022    Group Exhibition

Lift-off Film Festival    Online    2022  
Group Exhibition

# ART PUBLICATIONS

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Chinese Visual Arts Annual    2022-2023 issue

VISIONS Magazine    Fall 2021 issue

Volume.1 magazine    Winter 2021

Spires Intercollegiate Arts    Spring 2021 issue

DigitalCommons@RISD    Spring 2023

and Literary Magazine

# HONORS & AWARDS

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<b>Honors Student at the Rhode Island School of Design</b>	2020-2023	<b>The Third +86 International Food Design Competition</b>	2022
Honors are granted based on exceptional academic performance and the Academic Standing Committee		Jury's Recommendation Award	
<b>World Illustration Awards</b>	2023	<b>United Design Alliance International Design Competitions</b>	2022
<i>Beauty Standards of Modern China</i> won Top 100 in the Editorial Category		Bronze Award granted to <i>Pandemic Workshop</i>	
<b>Society of Illustrators Scholarship Awards</b>	2023	<b>International Contemporary Youth Art Design Competition</b>	2022
top 150 out of more than 8,000 entries Nancy Lee Rhodes Roberts Scholarship Award		<i>A Little Bit of Ravens</i> won Excellence Award	
<b>Illustrators of the Future</b>	2023	<b>North American Applied Art and Design Competition</b>	2022
Finalist with multiple fictional works		Multiple entries won Silver and Bronze Award	
<b>CGDA Visual Communication Design Award</b>	2023	<b>The Second Asian Wave Art Award</b>	2022
Multiple entries won Excellence Awards		Granted Honors Artist <i>Pandemic Workshop</i> won Silver Award	
<b>art-D Award</b>	2023	<b>CADA Design Award</b>	2022
<i>Zodiac Mash</i> won Excellence Award		<i>Flower Land</i> won Third Prize	
<b>Asian New Generation Top 100 Designer</b>	2022	<b>The Third London Chinese Art Exchange Award</b>	2022
Finalist artist with multiple entries		Silvermedal Artist	
<b>Hiii Illustration International Competition</b>	2022	<b>Hong Kong Contemporary Design Awards</b>	2022
Finalist artist with multiple entries		Bronze Award granted to <i>YONOKONO Beer Lable Design</i>	
<b>International Council of Visual Arts Awards</b>	2022	<b>Creative China the16th National Design Arts Award</b>	2022
Finalist with multiple entries		<i>Flower Land</i> won Excellence Award <i>Pandemic Workshop</i> won Excellence Award	
<b>C-IDEA Design Award</b>	2022	<b>Singapore Art Design Competition</b>	2022
New Star Award		<i>Flower Land</i> won Bronze Prize	
<b>Ijungle Illustration Award</b>	2022	<b>Chinese Visual Arts Annual</b>	2022
New Talent Award		<i>Gucheng's Poems</i> won Silver Award <i>Sesame Field</i> won Silver Award	
<b>G-Cross Creative Award</b>	2022	<b>Hiii Illustration International Competition</b>	2021
Bronze National Finals with multiple entries		Multiple entries won Nomination Awards	
<b>International College Student's Hand Writing Art and Design Competition</b>	2022	<b>Professor William Carey Poland and Clara Harkness Poland Memorial Prize</b>	2021
Goldmedal Artist		Excellence in academic achievement during the Freshman year	
<b>The Third International Trend Cultural Design Competition</b>	2022		
<i>Egg Station</i> won the Silver Award <i>A Lunch Box of Single-Celled Microorganisms</i> won Bronze Award			