

Emily Tao

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Experience

South Bay Musical Theatre / Carpenter

APRIL 2024 - PRESENT, Saratoga, CA

Utilize power and machine tools (ex. drill, jigsaw, miter saw, table saw, sander, etc.) to build and install set pieces.

Help with rigging and painting and attend load-in and strike.

University of California, Santa Cruz / Props Master

JANUARY 2024 - MARCH 2024, Santa Cruz, CA

Assisted production designer by digitally designing and crafting hand props, managing a part of the props budget, and participating as an extra on set.

Collaborated with professional artists, the production design team and actors for *So To Speak*, a short film directed by UCSC Arts Dean.

University of California, Santa Cruz / Porter College Technical Crew

NOVEMBER 2021 - JUNE 2023, Santa Cruz, CA

Managed various community events, set up and struck stage for live theater shows.

Operated audio systems, sound and light boards for shows with up to 200 attendees.

Lead staff member for Porter College's 2022 Commencement Ceremony.

California's Great America / Entertainment Technician

JULY 2022 - JANUARY 2023, Santa Clara, CA

Sound, lighting and special effects operator for a live band during the October Tricks and Treats show of up to 150 guests. Personally praised by Cedar Fair's Manager of Entertainment Production.

Assisted the main spotlight operator for *It's Christmas, Snoopy*, maintained snow machines, and painted large present prop boxes during the December Winterfest event.

Education

University of California, Santa Cruz / Bachelor of Art (B.A.) in Film & Digital Media

SEPTEMBER 2020 - JANUARY 2024, Santa Cruz, CA

Minor in Theatre Arts. GPA: 3.97. Dean's Honor List for every quarter at UCSC.

University of London, Queen Mary / Study abroad program

SEPTEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024, London, U.K.

Actively participated in British theater and film courses & the theater club.

Design Work

***Camp Rock: The Musical* / Co-Scenic Designer & Props Master**

***UNIBEAUTY & her Wicked Daughters* / Props Master**

***Musical Theater Scenes* / Props Master**

***Bone Deep; or, the Skeleton Play* / Lighting Designer**