Zhang Xizhe

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EDUCATION

Beijing Film Academy, Beijing, China | 02/2022 - 09/2026

Major: Stage and Film Art Design / Bachelor's Degree

- Outstanding academic performance, ranked top 5% in class (top 3).
- Passed College English Tests CET-4 and CET-6; TOEFL: 108.
- Awards: University-level Scholarship, Excellent Student Leader, Excellent League Cadre, and Three-Good Student.

Screenplay "Mariana" (13-episode TV series) — Screenwriter; shortlisted for the 3rd Sci-Fi Planet Competition • Rising Star Support Program (hosted by Liu Cixin and Guo Fan).

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Alibaba (Tongyi Laboratory) — Al Model Technical Artist | 08/2025 – Present

- Tracked emerging trends in social media, art communities, and AIGC fields (e.g., new visual styles, creative formats, innovative applications) to identify valuable sources of inspiration and technological developments.
- Proposed new aesthetic systems and participated in data system construction (collection, labeling, evaluation). Also contributed to the video-generation model R&D cycle; responsible for LLM-based natural-language rewriting, including script rewriting and image/video prompt rewriting features for Wan2.5/Wan2.6 video generation.
- Conducted research on Al image/video generation tools; analyzed their functions, interaction logic, strengths/limitations, and identified potential opportunities. Led and guided the writing of Wan2.5/Wan2.6 promotional scripts; helped deliver features in Wan2.6 that expand prompts into complete storylines for 15-second video generation.
- Evaluated Al-generated visuals and provided optimization feedback in a "Design-Data-Evaluation-Feedback" loop. Worked closely with algorithm researchers to report data-quality issues and refine data-source retrieval based on product performance needs, supporting Wan 2.5/Wan 2.6 delivery.

Beijing Jingcai Time Cultural Media Co., Ltd. — AIGC Visual Art Design Intern | 09/2024 - 11/2025

- Researched AI film production workflows and related tools, promoting AI applications in film production. Used AI tools to enhance screenplays and analyzed audience trends and market potential. Deliverables: production exploration for AI short dramas "Guanfu Cat" and "Treasure Heist Squad."
- Directed the aesthetic direction of AIGC productions, enhancing emotional resonance and visual presentation. Built an end-to-end AI short-drama production workflow (script → storyboard → video → editing). Deliverables: a 4-episode AI short drama "Guanfu Cat" and a 3-episode AI short drama "Treasure Heist Squad."

• Assisted in film filing; founded an AI research group to regularly evaluate tool strategies and product features. Produced assets using AI tools (e.g., GPT-SoVITS, Midjourney), coordinated with key creators, reviewed scripts, and designed visual posters. Deliverables: character voice work for the film "Dunhuang Heroes" and poster design for the film "I Am What I Am."

Beijing Yixin Technology Co., Ltd. — AIGC Animation Designer | 07/2023 - 09/2023

- Participated in the production of Hengyang Museum promotional films, Created animations, (character, background, and VFX) defining themes and visual styles, Researched and developed visual presentation styles informed by Tang and Song dynasty aesthetics; produced cultural documentaries including Huisi, Emperor Ku, and Yu King Stele, earning an Excellent Intern Award.
- Produced and published branded theme animations on streaming/social platforms. Deliverables: a series of animated shorts "Super Xiaoqiang," Wukong-image narrative ad shorts, and feature tutorial videos; accumulated 10,000+ views across social media platforms.

Zhang Yimou's Film Crew Silent Awakening — Stage and Film Art Designer | 03/2025 – 06/2025

- Concept Design:Participated in scene layout and atmosphere creation, integrating narrative and spatial functions to complete both 2D and 3D spatial compositions for street-style environments. Created scene concept illustrations based on the script to reflect the corresponding historical period and setting.
- Set Dressing & Location Scouting: Scouted and selected appropriate spaces based on actor blocking and shooting schedules. Deliverables: supported 150+ scenes and 30+ set-dressing builds/changes across locations including Shenzhen K11 (4,000+ m² per floor) and Vanke Yuncheng (400+ m² per floor), spanning stage builds, on-location modifications, and temporary exterior sets.
- Immersive Virtual Pre-visualization: Used Unity prototypes and Al-assisted drawing to reconstruct scenes and plan dynamic layouts; integrated VR devices for shoot pre-vis and iterated set/camera plans. Deliverables: a virtual blast-scene simulation to refine the on-set explosion plan.
- On-site Management: Supervised set construction and collaborated closely with the cinematographer and director to adjust visual setups for optimal filming results.

Director Li Muge's Film Crew The Shining Badge — Stage and Film Art Designer | 01/2024 - 03/2024

- Storyboard Creation: Developed and organized storyboards according to script requirements to facilitate the filming process and visual coherence.
- Immersive Virtual Pre-visualization: Explored digital visualization methods beyond traditional set design, adhering to the "environment as narrative" principle—transforming set elements into layered storytelling nodes. Integrated VR devices for shoot pre-vis and iterated set/camera plans.

- Concept Design: Created scene concept illustrations based on the script, contributed to scene layout and atmosphere design, aligning spatial composition with narrative needs and completing both 2D and 3D treatments for street-style environments.
- Set Dressing & Location Scouting: Reconstructed appropriate 1980s China settings through concept art and site research; selected filming locations based on blocking and schedules. Deliverables: supported 150+ scenes and 30+ set-dressing builds/changes across Shenzhen K11, Vanke Yuncheng, etc., spanning stage builds, on-location modifications, and temporary exterior sets.

FILM AND PROJECT EXPERIENCE

"Embrace" — Art Director, Youth Film Studio Co., Ltd. (03/2023–05/2024):

Developed visual concepts, managed props, and supervised on-site set design. Official selections include the 26th Shanghai International Film Festival, AFI FEST, FIRST Youth Film Exhibition, and Macau International Microfilm Festival.

• "The Last Light" — Al Short Film (Producer & Coordinator, 01/2024–03/2024):

Oversaw full production cycle from concept to delivery, coordinating with AI engineers and editors; presented in academic and industry exhibitions.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Beijing Youth International Film Festival (ISFVF) Volunteer (2022–2024):

Provided reception, coordination, and support during events for three consecutive years; gained experience in event management and film culture exchange.

• United Nations Certified Volunteer (Sri Lanka, 2023):

Participated in sea turtle conservation, beach cleanup, and ecological monitoring; certified by the Sri Lankan Education Department and the United Nations.

CAMPUS LEADERSHIP

• Minister, Student Union Organization Department (2022–2025):

Planned and coordinated major events such as the 3rd Beijing Film Academy Awards Opening Ceremony and the 40th Anniversary Gala of the China Film Education Society; led student leadership and Party education programs.

SKILLS

- Languages: Chinese (native), English (proficient; CET-4 & CET-6, TOEFL 108), French (reading and basic communication)
- Software: Adobe Suite (PR, PS, ID), Figma, Cad, Unity, UE5, Blender, SketchUp, V-Ray, Enscape, Midjourney, Stable Diffusion, Luma, Cursor, TouchDesigner.
- Office Tools: Microsoft Office (Word, PPT, Excel); experienced in report writing and layout design.