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EXPERIENCE

FOUNDER, PRESIDENT, Honolulu, HI

Production Now, January 2012–Present

- Created numerous non-commercial video series about Korean culture and history since 2012 for diverse medium including from Korean government, Korean Consulate in Honolulu to Hawaii Tourism Korea
- Winner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of South Korea's Public Diplomacy Content Competition and received financial support to produce a documentary series *Words of Wisdom from the Rainbow State (WWRS)*
- Wrote, narrated, produced, and directed *WWRS* that was world premiered at the Kahala Theatre on November 6, 2022, through the 41st Hawaii International Film Festival. *WWRS* was also invited to eight other festivals around the world
- Was invited to screen *WWRS* and performed a keynote speech with the former Big Island Mayor Harry Kim at the 2022 World Korean Community Leaders Convention in S.Korea
- Received grants from Korea American Foundation Hawaii along with additional grants from the Overseas Korean Cultural Heritage Foundation to produce *Songs of Love*, a musical documentary series
- Wrote, produced, and directed *Songs of Love*, a premium quality 4K DCI film made for theatrical distribution and HD broadcasting through collaboration with outstanding musicians, Iggy Jang and Christine Suehisa Jang

INVITED ARTIST, Incheon, S.Korea

Incheon Metropolitan City Museum, October 2022–Present

- Curated and created art exhibit content utilizing *WWRS* and *Songs of Love*
- Partnered with internal curators to build and improve art exhibit
- Provided a series of "Talk Session with Director" for gallery visitors

NEWS ANCHOR, REPORTER, Honolulu, HI

KBFD-TV, January 2014–April 2021

- Developed leads for stories, identified news content, and anchored
- Broadcasted local news and performed interviews

CONTENT CREATOR, Seoul, S.Korea

Hawaii Tourism Korea, January 2018–January 2021

- Created thirty plus original content called *Aloha Report* as part of HTK's social media campaign
- Curated viral content for HTK's social platforms as their only official creator/influencer

EDITOR, Honolulu, HI

Hana Hou! Magazine, February 2009–February 2020

- Managed editorial department to create high quality articles since the launching of Hana Hou! in-flight magazine of Hawaiian Airline's Korean edition in 2009

- Wrote a column *Jinyoung's Pick* every issue that displays Hawaii's diverse newsworthy content

NEWS REPORTER, Honolulu, HI

[Korea Times Hawaii](#), September 2005–April 2007

- Wrote columns, editorials, commentaries and reviewed that interpreted events and offer opinions

EDUCATION

COMPLETED COURSEWORK TOWARDS DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH, Honolulu, HI

[Graduate School of University of Hawaii at Manoa](#), June 2008

BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.) IN JOURNALISM & MEDIA ARTS, Seoul, S. KOREA

[Ewha Woman's University](#), February 2003

CERTIFICATIONS

- Intensive Interpreter Training Program: University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2005
- Medical Interpreter Training: Pals for Health, Los Angeles, 2009

REFERENCES

References available upon request

AWARDS

- Best First Time Filmmaker Award: Liberty International Movie Festival, December 2021
- Best Debut Filmmaker Award: Tagore International Film Festival, September 2021
- Silver Medal of Best Essay Category of Dong Seo Literary Award: Dong Seo Group, November, 2016
- International Literary Award: Overseas Korean Foundation, May 2015

PUBLICATIONS

- Words of Wisdom from the Rainbow State : Min-Um Publication, 2023
- Hawaii at Its Best: Random House Korea, 2017
- One Week in Hawaii: Samsung Publication, 2014
- I Love Hawaii : Random House Korea, 2009

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Active cellist of Oahu Civic Orchestra, 2015-present
- Former president and principal cellist of Ewha Womans University Orchestra, 2000-2002