

## LAVANYA VINAYAK

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### INTERNSHIPS

- Assistant Producer at “A Journey Home Films”, working on development, logistics, casting, distribution and marketing. (2024)
- An active member of the Screening Committee at the “Hamptons International Film Festival” (2023 & 2024)
- Worked with “Ethereal Desserts” on food photography and digital marketing (2020)
- Interned at “Fisdom”, a state-of-the-art, technology-led, intuitive platform for financial investments. I worked on marketing and outreach programs. (2021)
- Interned at “GoSports Foundation”, a dynamic non-profit, supporting underprivileged sportspersons. My role was to help in organizing fundraising events for this cause. (2021)

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY

- *Student Ambassador (2023)* Representing Pratt Institute by engaging with potential students and providing information about the institute, its courses and New York City.
- *Orientation Staff Leader (2023 & 2024)* Designed a leadership training curriculum for fellow staff members and further enhanced my organizing and teamwork skills by running events and programs for newly admitted students to enable an easy transition and find a sense of community.
- *Labs & Studio Assistant (2023)* In charge of maintaining cinematic film equipment and handing the filming studios, post-production labs, screening room, editing suites, and more.

### VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- *NYPIRG, New York City, (2022), Intern, Campaign Leader* Sharpened my budget management and people management skills by spearheading campaigns for Consumer Protection and Environmental Preservation.
- *The Debutant Ball, (Fundraiser for the Lower Manhattan Hospital), (2023), Photographer*

Sharpened my skills as a photographer by helping with portraits, candid photography and lighting set ups.

### EDUCATION & ACADEMICS

- Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY  
BFA Film/Video, with double minor in Photography, Philosophy (August, 2022 – May, 2026)

### ACHIEVEMENTS

- *Green Film School Alliance Fellowship (2023)* – Worked with fellow students to create awareness and commitment about sustainable film practices in their productions and taking it forward in the profession.
- *Student Choice Exhibition (2023)*, had multiple of my artworks displayed in an exhibition across film, drawing, painting, animation.
- *TA for Shakti Bhagchandani, Faculty, Pratt Institute (2023)* Helped professor with recordkeeping, such as taking attendance and calculating grades. Also got equipment ready to help for lessons.

### RELEVANT PROJECTS

- Had my film ‘Reflectors of Absence’ win “Best Student Documentary” at Angeles Documentaries (2024), awaiting further results.
- Had my film, ‘Sarfaroshi’ qualify as a semi-finalist at the Flickers Rhode Island International Film Festival (Academy Award Qualifying) (2023).
- Worked in various capacities like Producer, Director, Screenwriter, Cinematographer, Assistant Director, Production Assistant and more in over 30 film projects.

### SKILLS

- Strong Interpersonal, Organizing and Communication skills
- Computer Proficiency (Adobe Suite, Final Draft, Microsoft Suite)
- Languages: English, Hindi, Punjabi