

Yi Zhou (Joy)

Medical & Scientific Illustrator

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Professional Summary

Medical illustrator with 5+ years of professional experience translating complex clinical procedures into precise, publication-ready visual guides. Proven track record collaborating with surgeons and medical publishers on authoritative textbooks. Currently completing a BFA in Illustration at the School of Visual Arts (SVA), New York. Combines rigorous scientific accuracy with clear visual communication to produce materials that serve both as educational references and intra-operative guides.

Education

School of Visual Arts (SVA) — New York, NY

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Illustration | Sep 2023 – Expected May 2027

- SVA Honor Scholarship recipient (\$94,000 merit award, 2023)
 - Jack Potter Memorial Award
 - Published Featured Artist, *SVA 2025 Journal* (Fall Edition)
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Professional Experience

Medical Illustrator — Clinical Publications & Patient Education

Shanghai Ninth People's Hospital, First People's Hospital & Medical Publishers

Dec 2021 – Present | Shanghai, China & Remote

Key Project: *Ocular Surface Reconstruction* Textbook (ISBN: 978-7-117-37904-5)

- Served as the **sole illustrator** for the professional academic textbook *Ocular Surface Reconstruction (Ocular Surface Disease Clinical Series)*, managing all visual deliverables from concept sketches through final print-ready artwork.
- Partnered directly with senior ophthalmologists and thoracic surgeons, interpreting surgical video footage and clinical photographs to produce anatomically precise illustrations.
- Maintained **100% clinical accuracy** through iterative review cycles with subject-matter experts, ensuring compliance with strict medical publishing standards.
- Delivered **40+ medical illustrations** across multiple chapters, including cross-sectional anatomy, step-

by-step procedural diagrams, and pathology visualizations.

Pediatric Visual Identity & Patient Education — Hezhi Ophthalmology Clinic

- Designed child-friendly visual identity materials for a pediatric ophthalmology clinic, including patient folder covers, educational pamphlets, and diagnostic aids.
- Balanced approachability and scientific rigor to create materials accessible to both young patients and their parents while meeting clinical communication standards.

Communications Coordinator & Event Planner

SVA Chinese Student Organization | New York, NY | Sep 2024 – Present

- Plan and execute campus-wide cultural events, managing logistics, vendor relations, and cross-departmental coordination.
- Design promotional materials and internal communications to expand organizational reach and student engagement.

Operations Support & Assistant Instructor

Helen O' Grady Drama Academy | Shanghai, China | Aug 2020 – Jan 2021

- Assisted lead instructors in teaching theater performance skills to students of diverse age groups.
- Managed rehearsal logistics, properties, and stage coordination, ensuring smooth daily operations.

Technical Skills

Category	Skills
Medical Illustration	Anatomical illustration, surgical procedure diagrams, pathology visualization, clinical publication workflows
Digital Tools	Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Procreate, Clip Studio Paint
Traditional Media	Pen & ink, watercolor, graphite rendering
Technical	Print production pipelines, color management for medical publications, editorial layout collaboration
AI & Technology	Generative AI integration (ChatGPT, Midjourney, Gemini), web development, prompt engineering
Languages	English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native)

Selected Publications & Projects

- **Primary Illustrator** — *Ocular Surface Reconstruction (Ocular Surface Disease Clinical Series)*, People's Medical Publishing House, China. ISBN: 978-7-117-37904-5 (Expected Publication: Jun 2025)
 - **Featured Artist** — *SVA Journal*, Fall 2025 Edition
 - **Web Development** — BiobankX.com: Independently developed and launched a commercial web platform integrating AI-driven workflows
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Core Competencies

- Clinical SME Collaboration & Stakeholder Management
- Long-form Publication Project Management
- Medical Accuracy Review & Quality Control
- Cross-cultural Communication (US/China, bilingual workflows)
- Self-directed Research & Surgical Video Interpretation