

MINGJIA CHEN

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Education

September 2021 - January 2026 (Expected)

Master of City Planning, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.

Department of Urban Studies and Planning

Academic Advisor: J. Phillip Johnson

Area: Housing, Community and Economic Planning

Master of Architecture (Professional), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.

Department of Architecture

Academic Advisor: Cristina Parreño Alonso

September 2015 - April 2019

Hons. Bachelor of Environmental Design (Distinction), University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC.

School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

Professional Experience

July 2019 - June 2021

Landscape Designer. Hapa Collaborative Landscape Architecture & Urban Design, Vancouver, BC.

Editorial & Curatorial Experience

February 2023 - Current

Curatorial Member. *Placemat*, MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA.

Exhibition: TO HOW DEEP DO YOU GO IN A SHALLOW WORLD? with Shanzhai Lyrics

Team members: Tejumola Bayowa, Harris Chowdhary, Ina Yi En Wu

August 2022 - June 2023

Editor-In-Chief. *Out of Frame*, MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA.

December 2021 - February 2022

Residency. "[How To...?](#)" Canadian Centre For Architecture, Montréal, QC, Canada.

Curator: Lev Bratishenko (CCA) and Joseph Zeal-Henry (Sound Advice / Greater London Authority)

October 2021 - December 2021

Radio Co-Host. [WAWD? \(What Are We Doing\) Radio](#), MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA.

Services & Volunteering

May 2023 - Current

Archivist. National Organization of Minority Architecture Students (**NOMAS**), MIT Chapter, Cambridge, MA.

May 2023 - September 2023

Bargaining Committee. UE Local 256 (MIT GSU), Cambridge, MA.

June 2022 - October 2023

Researcher. Queer Space Lab, MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA.

Fellowships

September 2023

DUSP Graduate Fellowship (2 Semesters). MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning, Cambridge, MA.

September 2021

Architecture Graduate Full Tuition Fellowship (7 Semesters). MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA.

Professional Skills

- Project Management
- Independent Research
- Architectural and Landscape Architectural Drafting

Software Skills

- *Adobe Creative Suite* > Layout Design, Photoshop Rendering, and illustrations, Animation and Video Editing
- *Excel / Google Sheets* > Data Organization
- *Rhinoceros 3D Modelling* > 3D Documentation and Fabrication
- *QGIS* > Spatial Data Analysis and Processing
- *Squarespace* > Website Structure, Design, and Content Organization

Languages

- English (Bilingual Proficiency)
- Mandarin Chinese (Bilingual Proficiency)
- French (Basic Reading Comprehension)