




Princess Bio

Name: Jolynn Ta [JOE-lin TAH]
School: Parkrose High School
Birthplace: Portland, Oregon
Parents/Guardians: Hung Ta and Thuy Hoang
Siblings: 6 Siblings
Year in school: Senior

Future education plans: I plan to attend a 4-year college in Southern California. I plan on double-majoring in Film & Television Production and Political Science.

Career plans: After college, I see myself working at a non-profit or for a political campaign. However, I ultimately want to pursue a career in the film industry specifically as a TV Showrunner.

High School Activities & Honors: Parkrose High School's Acts of Random Kindness Club (President & Founder), Varsity Track and Field, Outdoor School Student Leader, O[YES] Media Contest 2022 1st Place Winner.

Hobbies and special interest: I am passionate about filmmaking and I am always working on film projects both inside and outside of school. This includes writing scripts, filming, and editing projects. In addition, I enjoy journaling and riding my bike.

What is your favorite place to visit in Portland and why?

Laurelhurst Park is my favorite place in Portland because I enjoy nature and I like that Laurelhurst is like a hidden piece of nature in our city. The park is beautiful all year round and I enjoy having picnics, going on walks, studying, watching the ducks swim in the pond, and even the silent disco parties that happen in the summer.

What are you most proud of during your high school career?

I am most proud of myself for balancing Advanced Placement coursework while also pursuing film as an elective all four years of high school. My biggest accomplishment was being selected to go to Chapman University's Summer Film Academy this past summer to spend 2-weeks there going to lectures and creating a short film with like-minded peers.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

My favorite Rose Festival event is the City Fair. I have memories of begging my parents to take me on the rides as a child. The bright lights of the fair's rides illuminate Downtown Portland when you drive past the Willamette river and I think it's one of the prettiest sights.

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