

# YIMEI ZHAO

Set and Costume Designer  
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## Prize

2023 Linbury Prize for Stage  
Design National Theatre

## Skills

Hand & Digital Drawing  
Model Making  
Illustration  
Set Dressing  
Costume Sourcing  
Basic Scenic Painting  
Prop Sourcing/Making

## Software

Photoshop  
SketchUp  
AutoCAD 2D & 3D  
Procreate  
Cinema 4D  
VRay Render  
InDesign  
After Effect

## Language

English  
Mandarin

## Education

2020-2023 BA (Hons)  
Design for Performance  
1st Class Honours  
Royal Central School of  
Speech and Drama  
University of London

## Experience

### Design

2025 Porn Play Set and Costume Designer Royal Court Theatre Dir. Josie Rourke  
2025 THE HEAT Set and Costume Designer Sadler's Wells (Lilian Baylis Studio), South East Dance, The Lowry Chore. Becky Namgauds  
2025 The Society For New Cuisine Set and Costume Designer Omnibus Theatre Dir. Rupert Hands  
2024 Unbound Set and Costume Designer Birmingham Hippodrome Dir. Sarah Jane Schostack  
2024 Men Without Women Production Designer Short Film Dir. Masha Novikova  
2024 Before After Set and Costume Designer Southwark Playhouse Dir. Georgie Rankcom  
2023 Guangzhou International Lighting Festival Installation Designer Guangzhou Huacheng Square  
2023 Magical Bones: Soulful Music Set Designer Bloomsbury Theatre  
2023 AWAKE Set Designer Soho Rep, New York Dir. Melvin Yen  
2023 Dare You Say Please Set Designer King's Head Theatre Dir. Alexzandra Sarmiento  
2022 Absolute Hell Set Designer Embassy Theatre, RCSSD Dir. Robert Styles  
2022 The Hugging Project Sound Designer, Costume Co-Designer and Maker Site-specific, RCSSD Chore. Scarlett Perdereau

### Associate Design

2026 An Ideal Husband Associate Set Designer Lyric Hammersmith, Bristol Old Vic Des. Rajha Shakiry Dir. Nicholai La Barrie  
2025 Bengal Tiger at the Baghdad Zoo Associate Set & Costume Designer Young Vic Des. Rajha Shakiry Dir. Omar Elerian  
2025 Design Assistant to Lizzie Clachan on various projects  
2024 The Hot Wing King Associate Set & Costume Designer National Theatre Des. Rajha Shakiry Dir. Roy Alexander Weise  
2024 National Theatre Max Rayne Design Studio Assistant  
2024 King Troll Associate Set & Costume Designer New Diorama Theatre Des. Rajha Shakiry Dir. Milli Bhatia  
2023 & 2024 Light of Million Hope Assistant Set & Video Designer Guangzhou Art Centre/Guangzhou Friendship Theatre Des. Hai Zhao Dir. Lie Wang  
2021 The Burnt City Design Department Assistant Punchdrunk Dir. Felix Barrett & Maxine Doyle  
2021 Going Underground Associate Set and Costume Designer Shoreditch Town Hall Dir. Gareth White

### Exhibition

2023-2024 Linbury Prize Exhibition Lyttelton Lounge, National Theatre