



# Ishika Muchhal

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**Storyteller • Communicator • Mobilizer • Organizer • Filmmaker • Performer**

2020 – 2021

**Co-VP Communications, Policy Advocate, EDI Chair**

National Women’s Political Caucus, SGV & CA

- Digital marketing, public relations & web design
- Planned 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary gala & speaker series
- Advocated for priority policy to CA legislature



2021

**Marketing Content Intern**

East West Players, LA County Arts & Culture AIP

- Designed & updated WordPress: 9 pages, 17 posts
- Created assets for social media & archived shows
- Interviewed staff, artists; wrote, published 15 blogs

2016 – 2018, 2021

**Staff Reporter, Content-Writer, News Anchor**

*The Clarion, Logos, The Wildcat* & Live Daily News

- Beats: entertainment, student events, politics, LA
- Awards: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place feature story - JACC
- Anchor & broadcast writer for daily live news



2020

**Producing Assistant for “We’re Gonna Die”**

Bootleg Theatre, Sophie Blumberg, Monty Cole

- Co-coordinated logistics, budgets & rehearsals
- Assisted with distribution of show merch & flyers
- Organized radio interviews for publicity

2015-18

**Ambassador & Director of Publicity**

International Thespian Society, MHS

- Ambassador to city council, school board, galas, media
- Got sponsorships, boosted ticket sales for 9 shows
- Designed graphics & planned all drama dept events



2020-21

**Producer, Event Coordinator, Host, Performer**

**Virtual Concert Fundraisers** for homeless population

- Raised \$6,000 for Foothill Unity Center, \$9,000 for Our Community LA via YouTube-streamed concerts
- Coordinated w/ performers, publicity & press

2003 – Present

**Actor, Singer, Dancer, Director, Filmmaker**

- Plays, musicals, films, VO, festivals, concerts, shows
- Writing, directing, filming, producing, editing films
- [A QISSAA with Ishika](#): live vodcasts; 1,150+ YT views
- Sketches, PSAs & Constitution crash course series



2020, 2021 – present

**CalArts Student Union VP, Rep, Assembly Exec Comm**

- Led EDI & Title IX initiatives & townhalls w/ admin
- Centralized resources, grants, petitions, & notes
- Increased representation & EDI in theater school
- Advocated for tuition. strategic framework changes

## EDUCATION

- **California Institute of the Arts (CalArts) BFA in Acting, Minor in Social Science (2023)**
- **Monrovia High School ‘18**: 4.39 GPA, National Honors Society, National Technical Honors Society, Golden State Seal
- **Masterclasses**: Directing, Campaigning, International Relations, Public Relations, Reporting /Writing News, Interior Design

## MORE ROLES & AFFILIATIONS

- \*California Arts Council ‘Individual Artist Fellow’ Grantee
- Team Captain – American Cancer Society Relay for Life 2005-18
- President – Rotary Int’l’s Interact Club
- Young Adult Council – A Noise Within
- Co-President & Founder – CalArts Musical Theatre Club
- Event Coordinator & Community Outreach – CalArts Asian Student Alliance
- CalArts Theater - Winter Lab Committee

## SKILLS

- English, Hindi fluency
- Acting, Singing, Dancing
- Directing, Filmmaking
- Public Relations
- Marketing
- Grassroots Organizing
- Campaigning
- Interior Organizing
- Public Speaking
- Planning/Producing
- News & Creative Writing
  - AP, Opinion, PR, Poetry
- Sound/Video/Photo Editing:
  - Premiere, Photoshop
  - Audacity, SoundTrap
- Graphic & Web Design:
  - Canva, Photoshop
  - Wix, Squarespace, WordPress
- Social Media:
  - IG, FB, Twitter, YouTube