

Neng Thao

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Education	
2011 - 2015	<p>Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015, BA, Human Developmental and Regenerative Biology. • Laboratory projects focused on regeneration genetics in <i>Ambystoma mexicanum</i>. • Additional coursework also taken at Universidad Mayor and Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute.
Work	
Dec. 2017 - Current	<p>Independent Content Creator – Neng Now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media content creator. • 20 Million+ views, 60,000+ followers, 400+ videos, 25+ countries traveled.
Sep. 2016 - Dec. 2017	<p>Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey, CA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bilingual Program Specialist. • Wrote and piloted two bilingual English–Spanish marine conservation programs. • Programs relevant for 500,000 Hispanic/Latino visitors annually.
Oct. 2015 - Sep. 2016	<p>The Center for Wooden Boats, Seattle, WA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Development Manager, Science of Sailing Instructor. • Developed two programs recording and teaching 3D-CAD modeling of historic boats. • Increased application and retention of programs by over 50% with two-year expenses of \$225,000.
Dec. 2013 - May 2015	<p>Whited Laboratory, Brigham Regenerative Medicine Center, Cambridge, MA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate Researcher, J. Whited Laboratory. • Junior project investigated upregulated <i>AnxA1</i> gene in age–dependent cardiovascular regeneration. • Senior project investigated regenerative changes following repeated limb amputation—published.
Awards	
2020	<p>Fulbright Research Grant, US Department of State, Institute of International Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliate organization: Traditional Arts and Ethnology Centre, Luang Prabang City, Laos. • Research Project: Whistled and Musical Linguistics of the Hmong Language.
2019	<p>19th Annual Hmong National Development Conference, Impact Award</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of five international awardees, Hmong American Partnership subsidiary, San Jose, California. • Recognized for being “a changemaker who is advancing the Hmong community.”
2019	<p>David Rockefeller International Experience Grant, Harvard University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of four Harvard students awarded through David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies. • Study Abroad at Universidad De los Andes, medical and clinical observations, Bogota, Colombia.
Publications	
2017	<p>Developmental Biology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Repeated removal of developing limb buds permanently reduces appendage size in the highly-regenerative axolotl</i>, Donald M. Bryant, Konstantinos Sousounis, Johanna E. Farkas, Sevara Bryant, Neng Thao, Anna R. Guzikowski, James R. Monaghan, Michael Levin, & Jessica L. Whited.
2017	<p>Georgia’s Telescope, Discovering the Big Bang for Children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author and Illustrator. • First published book to explain the Big Bang theory to young children. • Over 500 copies crowdfunded and sold upon launch.
2014	<p>The City of Madison, Harvard Wisconsin Alumni, Langdell Library at Harvard University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artist, commissioned for and painted Nathan Dane portrait, founder of Northwest Territories. • Currently displayed in the Dane County City County Building, second floor lobby. • Featured in: Wisconsin State Journal, Harvard Law Today, oil on canvas, 28 inches x 36 inches.
Skillset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bilingual native fluency in English–Hmong • Professional working fluency in Spanish • Advanced in Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere • C, python, Javascript, PHP, CSS, HTML, SQL • AutoCAD and 3D production • Dvorak Keyboard • STATA, Excel • Gene-E