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Reflection

For my Culmination Project I created a video called APONY (A Part of New York). This is the first episode of a series I could continue in the future. The name of the first episode is APONY (A Part of New York) Episode 1: Brooklyn / Manhattan Bridge area. The video takes place in the neighborhoods of Dumbo and Brooklyn Heights and it looks at the different locations and attractions that you can find in these 2 neighborhoods. I chose these 2 neighborhoods because over the span of 4 years at city tech I visited these locations and I want to show the audience watching the video what they can find there.

The video looks at 5 different spots located within walking reach of each other. Dumbo Sign under the Manhattan Bridge, Dumbo view at Manhattan Bridge, Time out Market and the Rooftop, Brooklyn Bridge park and its piers, and the walk through both Brooklyn Bridge and Manhattan Bridge. The video includes coordinates on how to get there and it also includes information about transportation and about the area.

APONY was recorded on my phone. I used a Samsung Galaxy S22 Ultra to film every shot taken and a phone stabilizer to make sure that my shaky hands don't make the video look bad. Every shot was recorded at a Ultra High Definition setting at 60 frames

per second. This was the first time I had to go out and shoot a semi-professional film and it was fun to do. At first being in front of the camera was very nerve racking and I would stutter my lines a lot and could not speak during the filming. However, as I kept filming that fear started going away and I gained a lot of confidence being in front of the camera.

The audio of the video was recorded separately on a different Samsung phone. I used a Wired lavalier microphone and the cable of this microphone was very short and so I had to improvise. I asked my friend who was on site recording with me to hand me his phone to record the voice, and so he did. Using a slating technique I was thought by students and professors of clapping before recording the scene I was able to sync the sound in Post production.

After everything was recorded I edited the video on Adobe Premiere Pro. The process took about a week and then I added the voice-over, this was meant for information like what methods of transportation to take or different information about the area. The video was uploaded to YouTube available for everyone to watch.

The biggest challenge I had to overcome was the problem with microphones. At first I had bought a wireless lavalier microphone, however that microphone picked up a lot of background noise and my voice was distorted, because of this I was going to make the entire video voice-over. However my advisor for this project Prof. David Smith bought the microphones I used and let me borrow them. With this I was able to record the

sound. This is APONY (A Part of New York) I worked very hard on it and hope that whoever watched the video enjoyed it and came out with something from it, something they did not know and learned. If that is the case I will be satisfied with my Culmination

Project.