Central Park Documentary

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Have you been to Central Park?

Introduction of Myself

My name is Wilson Huang, and this semester marks my last one. My focus is on Video and Live Event Management.

Documentary Preview



Bethesda Terrace

What is the Central Park documentary about?

The documentary delves into the history of Central Park and explores the various sculptures and landmarks. A combination of historical photographs, on-location shots, narrative voice overs, interviews and music.

Role:

Director

Producer

Editor

Why did I choose to do a documentary on Central Park?

Last fall, I took a Photography 1 class, and the homeworks required taking outdoor photos. I chose Central Park, and while working on the homework, I became interested in the park's beauty. When it was time to pick a topic for my Culmination Project this year, I couldn't think of anything more interesting than Central Park.

Process

- Develop a script
- Having visual storyboard
- Determine interviews and a list of questions
- Traveled to Central Park and take footage of the park

Technical Aspect

Use the software Avid Media Composer, I was able to make a short documentary of Central Park.

Budget

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Quantity	Material	Cost	Notes
1	Avid Media Composer	\$10	School Use
1	Laptop	\$500	Owned
1	Over Headphone	\$20	Owned
1	Iphone cable	\$10	Owned
1	Iphone microphone	\$10	
1	iphone	\$800	Owned
1	iphone stabilizer	\$21	
1	Hard drive	\$90	Owned
1	Portable Charger	11	
	Estimate Total	\$1472	
	Total	\$ 42	
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Items Picture

Avid Media Composer







Calendar

Script Writing and Shot List/Storyboard	9/3	9/9	7
Look for a actor do the voice over	9/11	9/12	1
Technical Advisor	9/14	9/14	0
Record the voice over	9/15	9/20	5
Buy the equipment and get it	9/14	9/18	4
Shooting Footage	9/19	9/23	`5
Find Interview people	9/21	9/21	0
Shooting Interview people	9/21	9/21	0
Editing the Interview video and voice over	9/24	9/30	6
Shooting More Footage	10/1	10/15	14
Technical Advisor	10/10	10/10	0
Editing the footage	10/17	10/28	11
Shooting more footage if need	10/29	11/6	7
Technical Advisor	10/31	10/31	0
Edit + Refining	11/7	11/21	14
publish video	11/22	11/22	0

Storyboard



Opening shot: Central Park



Central park photograph in mid-19th century.



Images of Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux



footages of within Central Park



Close-up shots of the Alice in Wonderland statue



Footage of the Bethesda Terrace and Bethesda Fountain



Close-up shots of the Strawberry Fields mosaic



Shots of Cleopatra's Needle

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Shots of The Mall and Literary Walk



Shots of the Women's Rights Pioneers Monument



Shots of the Concert Ground and Naumberg Bandshell



Shots of Central Park's beauty



Shot of central park websites



Shots of interview about central park

Challenges

• Package Delay: Package cause a delay in the planned start of the film.

• Weather: Rain has caused a revision of the filming schedule, leading to additional hours and extended filming time.

• Sound Quality: Determine whether the sound is of low quality during the editing process on Avid Composer.

Takeaways

- Always expect to have things to not go as planned
- Scriptwriting is not easy
- Everything is a learning experience
- Always film more footages than needed
- Write down your ideas

Have you not watched this documentary yet?

Scan the QR code below or check my channel on YouTube for the documentary.





Thank You