

Unleash Potential -

Message from the President

We hope this newsletter finds everyone well and returns to normalcy.

In this issue, we are delighted to share several good news:

1) CANership Spring Program, 2) GOFUNDME Campaign, and 3) Spotlight on our alumni. We want to thank everyone for your past support and hope you will continue to be part of our success as we move forward in 2022.

CANership Spring Program (12 weeks)

In 2022, we expanded and attracted seven talented mentees and fourteen mentors to participate in our 2022 CAN spring mentoring program ("CANership"). They are all current students or alumnae John Dewey High School. Please check out our mentees' pictures and mentor profiles below.

We are currently seeking \$4,000 in funding to offer stipends to our mentees. Please consider donating via Gofundme by scanning the QR code below. Your generosity is greatly appreicated!

Zixin Ye

Senior **Mentors:** <u>Jiin Wen</u> San San Ng



Yi Chen

Senior **Mentors:** <u>Yu Shao</u> Zhuohao Tan



Xiaoyu Li

Senior
Mentors:
Ken Fown
Renee Nian



Qiqi Li

Junior **Mentors:** <u>Vivian Li</u> <u>Krystal Li</u>



Julia Feng Wu

Junior
Mentors:
Xing Meng
Kamen Fon



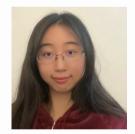
Jingyi Qiu

College Senior
Mentors:
Ashley Li
Eunice Tan



Mingqi Da

Junior **Mentors:** <u>Shing C. Yuen</u> <u>Jane Lin</u>















Featured CANers



Network Matters
<u>Yvonne Chen</u>
VP of CAN & Financial Analyst

Congratulations to Yvonne Chen, CAN's Vice President of Marketing, on starting a new position with a boutique finance company. We are delighted that CAN can take credit for this good news. Yvonne learned about this opportunity through one of the career events that CAN sponsored in 2021. Vivian Li, a CAN advisor, spoke about her career journey and shared with the audience about an opening at her company.

The timing could not have been better—Yvonne was in the middle of adjusting her career path; this was the opportunity she needed. She approached Vivian for this job, and Vivian was delighted to mentor her through the hiring process. Today, Yvonne is in a career she is passionate about, and she might not have known about it if not for this network.

We hope to see many of you in our future events and take advantage of the CAN network.

Congratulations to <u>Thunkable</u> and James Li, one of CAN's directors, for receiving \$30M in series B funding. James is the cofounder and CTO of Thunkable and an alumnus of John Dewey high school, class of 2009. Thunkable has been in the space of empowering creators, entrepreneurs, and businesses across the globe to make a change with its no-code platform for a better part of a decade. It will no doubt continue to push and enhance the field with this round of development.

The funding round is led by Owl Venture, along with early supporters PJC, Lightspeed Venture Partners, NEA - New Enterprise Associates, and many more.



Spotlight: <u>Thunkable</u>
<u>James Li</u>
Director of CAN & CTO of Thunkable



Golden Door Scholar
Zhuohao Tan
Intern of CAN & Student of City College

Zhuohao Tan, class of 2020 and CAN's outstanding intern was named a <u>Golden Door Scholar</u>. This scholarship is aimed to support undocumented students and invest in their education and shape their futures.

Tan's journey in search of the American dream is not unusual, what is amazing is that he came by himself at the age of 13! His journey was filled with heartbreak and perseverance and luckily, he found supportive people along the way. CAN International is proud to have been a part of his success. He joined us as an intern and now he is supporting us as the newest program coordinator and tech specialist. He also gives back to the dreamer community by serving as an ambassador under the College Immigrant Ambassador Program, where he provides academic and college advice and career planning.







