

ASHI VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



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What committee(s) do you serve on?

Technologists' Affairs Committee, Annual Meeting Abstract Reviewer

How did you get started as a volunteer for ASHI?

I went to a Local ASHI Meeting in Syracuse, NY and discovered how many opportunities there are to get involved with ASHI. I wanted to get involved and Runying Tian, who was the Past Chair of the Technologists' Affairs Committee at the time, asked me to join.

How has volunteering for ASHI improved your professional development?

This question is a tough one, not in the answer, but because there are so many things it has done to help me not only professionally, but as a young tech in the field. My confidence has skyrocketed! ASHI has become a community of friends, almost like a family. I know that I have so many great people behind me to help me with all my HLA needs! I would have never taken these steps to be where I am now if it wasn't for the amazing people in ASHI. I am becoming a stronger tech in the field, a better speaker, a better writer, a better leader, and overall, just a better person I feel because I am constantly surrounded by such great support.

What is your most memorable volunteer moment? I think the most memorable moment so far for me was being able to attend the 50th ASHI Annual Meeting this year. I was helping sell shirts at the membership booth, and me and Gloria did some goofy things to sell those shirts. It worked because we sold a lot of them!

Why do you think it is important for others to volunteer with ASHI? Getting involved with ASHI in general is so important! It's not just volunteering, you can get involved in so many ways like going to meetings, or simply just attending something like a Technologists' Affairs Committee Happy Hour. We need to start making connections with techs/supervisors/managers that have been in ASHI for a while. They know what it was like before we new techs were involved. Now, it is our time to bring our ideas to the table. Listen to past ideas, bring in our new ideas, and help make ASHI the best organization it can be. We can only move forward if people continue to get involved!