Meet a Science Filmmaker: Yat-Long Sam Poon

Meet Yat-Long Sam Poon. He is a **science filmmaker**. Sam makes videos and shows that teach about science!

Making videos is a lot of work! It requires many different skills. You need come up with the story or topic for your video. You need to plan what equipment to use for lighting and for capturing sound.

After shooting the video, the footage needs to be edited to make the final product.

Sam can do all the jobs listed above! Sometimes he works on a project and focuses on one skill, like editing or sound. Other times he makes his own videos!

Sam studied biology with a focus on ocean life in college and graduate school.

What was Sam's childhood like?

Sam loved science and telling stories. His parents gave him lots of science books. He learned a lot from these books. He liked to explore



Sam exploring nature as a child

outside and look for bugs. Sometimes he'd bring the bugs home. His parents didn't like that!

When Sam was a little older he made videos with his friends using a camcorder. He and his friends would figure out how to make special effects and even do their own stunts! They would recreate their favorite movie scenes on video. They would also come up with their own stories!

Sam hopes you love science and telling stories too!