

RE, MILA

MILA RE Undergraduate, Stanford University, Class of 2012

HOMETOWN Davis, California

TSRC High School Intern, Summer 2007

HER STORY Mila grew up around scientists. “Microbiologist” and “entomologist” were professional titles she understood from an early age. However, “science communications” was neither a term nor idea she was familiar with when she began her internship with TSRC in the summer of 2007.



Mila, still a high school student in Davis, California, proved so capable that Nana assigned her the daunting task of managing and branding the new Pinhead Punk Science

program. Mila, then 17-years-old, met with senior TSRC scientists to shape their material to entertain

“Interacting with TSRC scientists, from atomic clock builders to climatologists, taught me that science holds essential information for our future, yet without valuable methods of communicating this information to the general public, much of its influence is lost in a sea of scientific journals and conferences.” (Quoted from Mila’s college admission’s essay)



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young children, wrote animated press releases,



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performed radio announcements, and skillfully organized the events. Punk Science attendance grew in a few short weeks from 35 to 150 participants. Seeing her strengths, Nana talked earnestly with Mila about her college aspirations. “Nana was

perhaps the first person to really encourage me to apply to Stanford University,” wrote Mila. Stanford accepted only 9.5% of their undergraduate applicants for the class of 2012, Mila among them.

FAVORITE HIKE It’s a tie between Bear Creek and the Jud Wiebe.