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Jing Li awarded an SPIE Optics and Photonics Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA — **Jing Li** has been awarded a 2024 Optics and Photonics Scholarship by SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, for potential contributions to optics, photonics, or a related field.



Jing Li is a PhD student in the School of Physics at Peking University (China). His research focuses on free-electron photonics, and he has published first-author papers in journals such as *Physical Review Letters* and *Ultrafast Science*. He has also presented at international conferences, including ICFO International School on the Frontiers of Light, ICPEPA, and PIERS2024. Alongside research, he is passionate about teaching and has served as a teaching assistant for many undergraduate courses, receiving high praise from professors and students alike.

This month, the Society is awarding \$303,000 in scholarships to 72 outstanding SPIE Student Members, based on their potential contribution to optics and photonics, or a related discipline. Successful applicants were evaluated, selected, and approved by the SPIE Scholarship Committee, chaired by **SPIE Senior Member Brian Primeau**.

Since this program began in 1978, SPIE has distributed more than \$7.5 million dollars in individual scholarships. This ambitious effort reflects the Society's commitment to education as well as to the future generations of optical scientists and engineers around the world.

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