## Sophia Jin

## **Senior Accountant**

Sophia completed a Bachelor of English in China

Sophia made a big decision to challenge herself, coming to Australia on her own to further her study. Sophia arrived in Brisbane in October 2004, lived in Brisbane for half a year and moved to Gold Coast to commence her study at Central Queensland University. Sophia completed a Graduate Certificate in Management in July 2005 and Master of Professional Accounting in March 2007.

Sophia achieved the highest result in Theory of Accounting in Semester 3, 2006 and was awarded the Star Student for the semester. Sophia achieved Distinctions for the following courses Financial and Company Accounting, Investments-Analysis and Management, Corporate Law, Theory in Accounting, Strategic Cost Management, Organisational Finance, Management Accounting Systems and Quantitative Methods.

Sophia started employment with Southport Yacht Club in April 2006 as a Food and Beverage attendant while completing her study. Sophia enjoyed her F&B experience at Southport Yacht Club. Upon completion of her Master's degree, Sophia accepted the new job offer as Assistant Accountant in the Finance Department.

Sophia and her husband loved the lifestyle, weather, and culture on the Gold Coast and decided to become an Australian citizen in March 2009.

Working in the finance environment enhanced her interest in finance and accounting industry, Sophia decided to upgrade her qualifications to be a qualified accountant. Sophia commenced her CPA (Certified Practising Accountant) study in 2009. Sophia proudly obtained her CPA status in February 2012.

Sophia was promoted as the Club Accountant in April 2010. Sophia manages the Finance Department and reports directly to General Manager and the Board. Sophia has built a strong finance team along with Sandy Neale and Cynthia Spasic.

With great love in the lifestyle on the Gold Coast and passion of working in Southport Yacht Club, Sophia and her husband decided to settle down on the Gold Coast and bought a house in May 2012. Their gorgeous son Thomas was born in January 2014. Sophia mentioned it is the biggest achievement in her life being Thomas's mum and it is such a great pleasure having his company. Given there are a lot of commitments being a mum, Sophia loves every moment of it.

Having managed Finance Department for five and a half years successfully, Sophia was promoted as Senior Accountant in September 2014. Sophia has very high expectations of her work and has achieved so much over the years. Sophia commented it is such a great feeling having no auditor's adjustment for every annual audit.

When not at work, Sophia enjoys spending her time with her family and friends.