## MARIAMMAN

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## **EDUCATION**

2013 - 2015

MASTER FINE ART OTIS COLLEGE ART AND DESIGN, L.A., CA
Contemporary art history from 1800s, modern and post-modern
theory, studio practice, visual and political critique, honours.

2003 - 2006

BACHELOR ART ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF ART - SCHAUMBURG, IL
Interior design and advertising communications, honours.

2017 - 2019

JAPANESE/CULTURE KEIO UNIVERSITY & UNIVERSITY OF OSLO
Online course: Rare Books, Washi Paper, Butoh Dance, Music Moves

PHOTOGRAPHY COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY - GRAYSLAKE, IL
History of Photography and Darkroom Coursework

SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY EHIME UNIVERSITY - JAPAN

## **EXPERIENCE**

2013

## 2008 - now COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANT Contract - Hybrid

Secured a \$250,00 folk art collection for permanent care/exhibition. Branding and communications for digital and print products in tech, health, consumer goods, start-ups and cultural projects. Managed product creation, events, fundraising, projects, photography/editing, copywriting, trademark registration, medical and fact-based research, community and relationship building. On-site/hybrid work for clients in USA and Nordics: BBC, House of Norway Foundation, Galleri Vasli Souza, Nordre Aker Bydel, Ekebergparken, MIT, Art Farm Iowa, Outdoor Illinois, Dales Bottle Stoppers, 22nd Century Media, Snowmarkets, Katapult, Yoto, Veveri Co.

YOGA TEACHER CERTIFICATION AKASHA - CRYSTAL LAKE, IL

2016 - 2021 EDITORIAL AND REVIEW WRITER LensCulture - Online

Wrote editorial content, artist interviews, and over 400 project reviews.

2015 - 2016 ADMISSIONS COUNSELLOR Otis College - L.A., California

Grad/Undergrad enrollment, travel, portfolio reviews, presentations, CRM management, campus tours, interdepartmental relations.

2013 - 2015 TEACHING ASSISTANT Otis College - L.A., California

Graduate courses in art history. Undergraduate courses in photography courses. Research, materials preparation and digitisation.

Mentorship, supervision of lab-work and field trips.

2012 - 2013 GALLERY MANAGER College of Lake County - Grayslake, Illinois

Managed daily operations of gallery and sales shop: inventory, sales, reports, accounting. Student logo contest, web, volunteers & 30 artists, events 200+ attendees, live music/catering, built community, and

interdepartmental relations. Taught yoga/meditation.

2006 - 2008 COPYWRITER Momentum Worldwide, MSI, Chicago, Illinois

Taglines, headlines, body copy, web for consumer packaged goods: KRAFT, BonTon, Wahl, The Home Depot, White Rodgers. Presentations for campaign pitches as well as luxury real estate listings.



## SUMMARY

I am internationally educated and inclusively minded team player. I am dedicated to creating a positive environment while addressing goals in inspiring ways. Intrinsically motivated and adaptable to changes in art, education, web, design, marketing, communications, consulting, and research; I put empathy and creativity into action.

## SKILLS

LANGUAGE English, Norwegian.

**CREATIVE** Copywriting, photo/video, concept development, styling, art direction and project management, installation, space planning, voice talent and dance.

**INSTRUCTION** Dance/movement, meditation, art foundation/theory, photo, visual literacy, pattern recognition.

HARDWARE Mac/PC, Digital/Film Camera SOFTWARE Apple/Google/Adobe Suites, Vimeo Expert, PC/Microsoft Suite, CRM/Hubspot, for graphics, print output, Wordpress, Social Media.

## REFERENCES

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### **CHRIS SISSON, Rockford University**

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#### Artist CV: MARI AMMAN mariammanart@icloud.com, https://mariamman.net, @mariammanstudio

#### **Permanent Installations & Collections**

2024/5 Forthcoming, Gong Teppe, Installation, TBD

2024/5 Forthcoming, Igloo, Installation, TBD

2024/5 Forthcoming, Mouvements, Public Installation, Art Farm Iowa, Northwood, Iowa

2023 Arte Expuesto Foundation, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico

2023 30seconds of Lake Michigan, Art Farm Iowa, Northwood, Iowa

2017 Teknovisuell Experience, Public Installation, Otis Admissions Office, Los Angeles, CA, United States

#### Memberships

BONO, NBK, LHSA, Expert Evaluator EIT Culture & Creativity Database

#### **Residencies & Prizes**

2023 Paris Poetry Residency, France

2022 Redwoods Residency, California

2020 Kjerringøy Land Art, Bodø, Norway

2020 Bi-Monthly Semi-Finalist, Dumbo Film Festival, NYC, United States

2019 Ello Getty Images Selected Artist, California, United States

2019 UKS/PNEK Residency, Oslo, Norway

2019 Atelier Nord Prosjektrom, Oslo, Norway

2019 Angelot Trélex Residency, Chéserex, Switzerland

2018 Mushimaru Fujzieda Butoh Scholarship, The National Academy for the Arts, Oslo, Norway

2017 Praksis: A Global State of Pareidolia, Residency, Oslo, Norway

2017 The Past and the Curious, Praxisfestivalen, DansensHus, Oslo, Norway

2015 First Place by the Jury, Imagining New Eurasia, Asia Culture Center, South Korea

2015 Woelffer Scholarship, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, United States

2014 Academic Merit Award, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, United States

2013 Academic Scholarship, Social Psychology, Ehime University, Matsuyama, Japan

2010 Indiana Historic Pathways Photography Award, Indiana University, United States

2003 Pi Sigma Pi Academic Honour in History, Byron High School, United States

#### **Education**

2015 Master Fine Art, Honours, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, California, United States

2006 Bachelor Art, Dean's List, Illinois Institute of Art, Schaumburg, Illinois, United States

2019 Art of Washi Paper in Japanese Rare Books, Keio University, Online

2018 Sino-Japanese Interactions Through Rare Books, Keio University, Online

2018 Music Moves: Why Does Music Make You Move, UiO, Online

2018 Japanese Avant-Garde Art, Keio University, Online

2015 Norwegian Language, Rosenhof Voksenopplæring, Oslo, Norway

2013 Social Psychology, Ehime University, Matsuyama-shi, Ehime Prefecture, Japan

2012 History of Photography & Darkroom Photography, College of Lake County, Illinois, United States

2003 Interior Design, Illinois Institute of Art, Schaumburg, Illinois, United States

## **Teaching & Artist Talks**

2020 Artist Talk and Workshops (ages 6 – 15), Kjerringøy, Bodø, Norway

2020 Afjordance, Exhibition and Talk, AWMAS, UC Santa Barbara, United States

2019 Artist Talk, Fotogalleriet, Oslo, Norway

2018 Movement Course, Blank Space Gallery, Oslo, Norway

2017 Body Architecture Course, Barnas Open House Oslo, Sentralen, Oslo, Norway

2014 Subtle Energy & Colour, Talk, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, United States

2013 The Personal/Universal, Talk, Walker Point Center for the Arts, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, United States

#### **Books, Press & Interviews**

Vereri, Poetry Prose & Suche, Bound by Water, Spread, Espla, 90,000 miles on I-90, Dark Mountain, Concrete Nature, Articulate, Artsy, Barbed Magazine, LHSA, Lenscratch, VIA, Urbanautica, Humble Arts, Beautiful/Decay, F-StopMagazine, BlackFlash Magazine, 1000 Words, WGN Radio

#### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2025 Forthcoming: Suspended Planes, Installation, TEKS, Trondheim, Norway
- 2023 More Than Human, Arte Expuesto, Public Billboard Installations, Monterrey, Mexico
- 2019 Over a Streambed a Body Formed in the Light Refracted in Waves, Photography, Torso, Oslo, Norway
- 2019 Magenta Minds & Amber Hearts, Images and Paintings, Bernt Ankers Gate Oslo, Norway
- 2019 Mouvements, Photography, Akers Mek, Aker Brygge, Oslo, Norway
- 2018 Mouvements, Photography, Oslo Art and Fashion Festival, Vérité, Oslo, Norway
- 2017 Memoria Technika, Installation, Oslo Art & Fashion Festival, Aker Brygge, Oslo, Norway
- 2015 Image Architecture, Installation, Otis Studios, Los Angeles, CA, United States
- 2015 Making Sense, Installation, Bolsky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, United States
- 2010 Not Even But Almost, Photography, The Old Town School of Folk Music, Chicago, IL United States
- 2008 Photography, Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce, Chicago, IL United States

## **Group Exhibitions, Screenings & Conferences**

- 2023 Sublime Timescapes, Photography, Il Corpo dell'Anima (The Body of the Soul), Firenze, Tuscany, Italy
- 2023 Sublime Timescapes, Photography, Double Vision, 515Bendix Gallery, Los Angeles, California, USA
- 2023 Solfége Souche and Afjordance, Manifest/o, Galleri KiT, Trondheim, Norway
- 2022 Stop Bath, Video Scenography for Nordic folk singers, Kunsthuset Wrap, Bergen, Norway
- 2022 La Mer, Video Scenography, Young Musicians Night, Rockheim Museum, Trondheim, Norway
- 2022 Solfége Souche, Video Screening, Artport Festival, El Gouna, Red Sea, Egypt
- 2021 Blåtime Sol, Video Screening, Les Voyagers 4th Edition, Tunis, North Africa
- 2021 Blåtime Sol, Video Screening, Equinox Exhibition, Bodø Kunstforening, Norway
- 2021 Midwest (aquarelle) Y-Blokka (sculpture), TBK Annual Exhibition, Trondheim, Norway
- 2021 Body Line and Blåtime Sol, Video Screening, The World We Live In, Groningen, Netherlands
- 2021 Solfége Souche, Video Projection, Paris, France
- 2020 Vereri, Photography, Affordable Art Fair, Represented by Albumen Gallery, London, U.K.
- 2020 Afjordance, Video Projection, Kvinnekroppen at Arteriet, Kristiansand, Norway
- 2020 Afjordance, Video Projection, AWAMS 2020, Santa Barbara, CA, United States
- 2019 Monoliths, Photography, Artsy Exhibition, The Print Atelier, Montreal, Canada
- 2019 Monoliths, Photography, Feel the Burn, MIM Gallery, Los Angeles, California
- 2019 Solfége Souche, Video Projection, Czong Institute for Contemporary Art (CICA), Gyeonggi-do, Korea
- 2019 Damocles, Sculpture, Elemental Kate Exhibition, Yorkshire Artspace, Sheffield, UK
- 2019 Sublime Timescapes, Photography, Fotogalleriet Atelier, Oslo, Norway
- 2019 Incarner des roses, Photography, Les Voyagers, Nout Art Gallery, Cairo, Egypt
- 2018 Sublime Timescapes, Photography, Tid (time), CYAN Studio, Oslo, Norway
- 2018 Wave, Photography, Benefit Auction, Rockford University, Rockford, IL, United States
- 2018 Vesper Monumenter and Et Dypt Nett, Dual-Site Installation, Elvelangs i Fakkellys, Oslo, Norway
- 2017 Ex Nihilo, Photography, La Macina Di San Cresci, Greve in Chianti, Florence, Italy
- 2017 9Worlds of Image and Light, Installation, Elvelangs i Fakkellys, Smelteverket, Vulkan, Oslo, Norway
- 2017 Photography, PraksisOslo Kulturnatt, Rådhusgata 19, Oslo, Norway
- 2016 30seconds of Lake Michigan, Photo, Palos Verdes Art Center, Palos Verdes, CA, United States
- 2016 Omniscient, Here, There, Everywhere: Eurasian Cities, Asia Culture Center, Gwangju, South Korea
- 2015 Security Blanket, Installation, On The Roof, Bolsky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, United States
- 2014 Undulation, Photography, Variations of a Whole, Bolsky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, United States
- 2014 PhotoLA, LA Mart, CA, United States
- 2013 Robert T. Wright Gallery, Paintings, College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL, United States
- 2012 Liminal Metanoia, Photography, 2Rules Gallery, Atlanta, GA, United States

2011 Photography, Life Support Japan, Wall-Space Gallery, CA, United States
2011 Portraits, Returning the Gaze, Northern Trust Bank, Chicago, IL, United States
2010 Portrait, Illustration, Johalla Projects Gallery, 50 Alderman/50 Artists, Chicago, IL, United States
2000 Depths of Imagination, Mixed-Media, Rockford Art Museum, IL, United States
1999 The Field's Project, Land Art, Viewable by Air, Oregon, IL, United States

## **Professional Experience**

2008 - now	Artist, Consultant, Photo, Web, Curator	Contract – On-Site & Online
2016 - 2021	Photo Reviewer	LensCulture – Online
2012 - 2021	Movement Instructor	Yoto Studio – USA/Norway
2015 - 2016	Admissions Counsellor	Otis College – Los Angeles, California
2013 - 2015	Teaching Assistant	Otis College – Los Angeles, California
2012 - 2013	Gallery Manager	College of Lake County – Grayslake, Illinois
2012 - 2012	Gallery Assistant	ZIA Gallery – Winnetka, Illinois
2006 - 2009	Graphic Design & Print Production	Alphagraphics & Contract – Chicago, Illinois
2006 - 2008	Copywriter & Photographer	MSI., Momentum Worldwide – Chicago, Illinois

## **Volunteering**

2023 Kontekto.org, web portal and international KUNST x STEM community development — Oslo, Norway 2017 Graphic Design, PR, Teaching, Barnas Open House Oslo, Sentralen — Oslo, Norway 2009 Installation of "Moss Wall" by Olafur Eliasson, Museum of Contemporary Art — Chicago, Illinois

**Project**: La Mer Video, Rockheim Museum Audioglimpt with Bodil Rørtveit + Berit Opheim http://mariamman.net/la-mer/ https://mariamman.net/stop-bath/

**Financing**: ENK, Wrap Bergen **Mari Amman**: Photography, Video

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**Project**: Suspended Planes <a href="https://mariamman.net/suspended-planes/">https://mariamman.net/suspended-planes/</a>

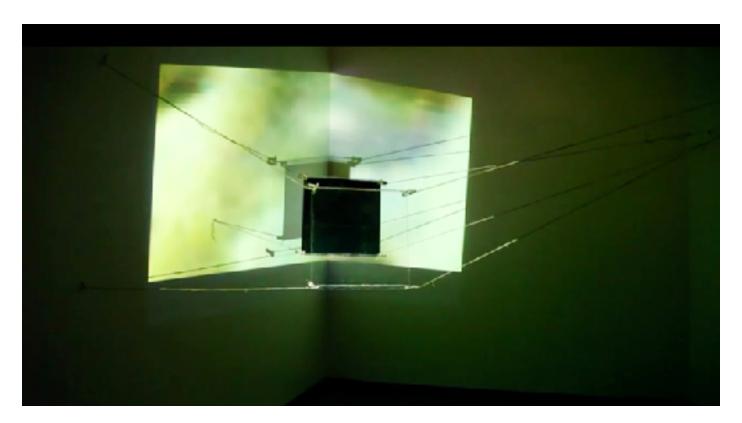
Mari Amman: Video and Installation Art

Partnerships: Trondheim Elektroniske Kunstsenter, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles

**Project**: Afjordance <a href="https://mariamman.net/afjordance/">https://mariamman.net/afjordance/</a>

Mari Amman: Performance, Video and Installation Art

Exhibited: AWMAS 2020 UC Santa Barbara, Kunstakademiet i Trondheim, Norway





**Project:** Ice Tablets Sculptures <a href="https://mariamman.net/ice-tablets/">https://mariamman.net/ice-tablets/</a>

Mari Amman: Concept Development, Photography, Wood/Resin Work Financing: Arte Expuesto/PARAC, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico

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**Project**: Elvelangs i Fakkellys 2017/2018

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Mari Amman: Concept, Visual and Installation Artist

Financing: Norde Aker Byel, TORSO Kunstartikler, Smelteverket

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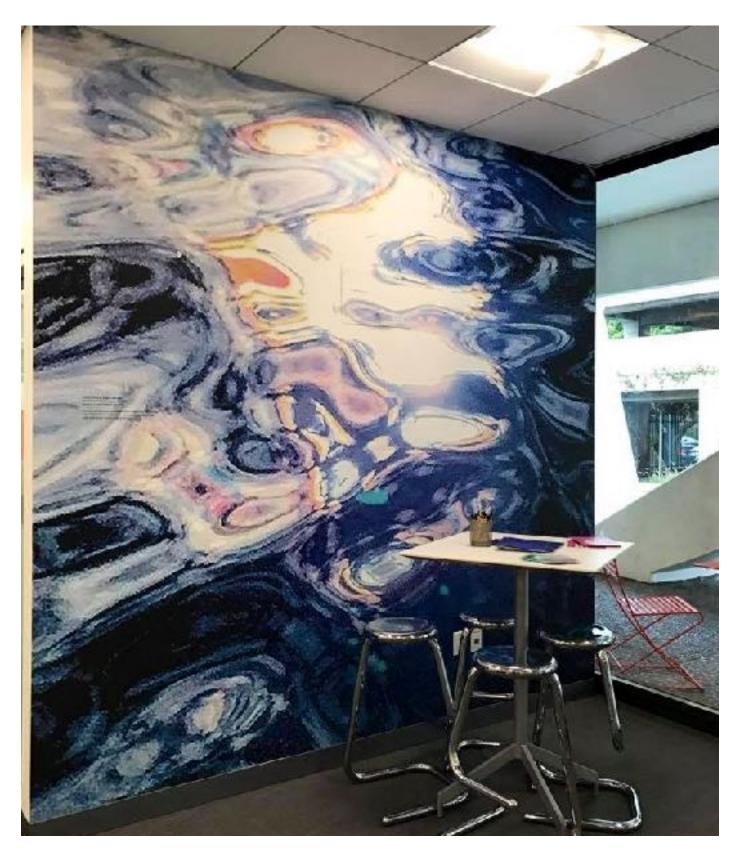
Permanent Installation: Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA

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Mari Amman: Concept Development and Visual Artist

Financing: Otis College of Art and Design

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Public Installation: Oslo Art and Fashion Festival

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Financing: Epson Europe, CopyCat

Mari Amman: Concept Development and Visual Artist





Public Installation: Mouvements Proposal: wallpaper, mosaic, screen, panel, aluminium, fibreboard

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Financing: TBD

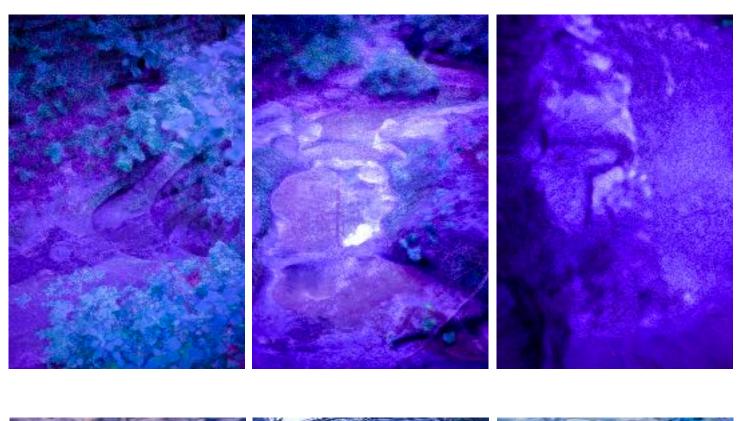






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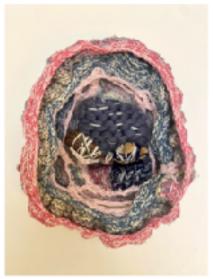




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## Svar på søknad om generell godkjenning av utenlandsk høyere utdanning

Navn: Rachel Wolfe Født: 23.09.1984

## Dokumentert utenlandsk utdanning:

Navn på vinnemåt og/eller grac: Bachelor of Aris
Utsredt av. The Illinois Institute of Art - Schaumburg, USA
Fagoraråde: Advertising
Avslauringsår: 2006
Normert studietid: 4 år

 Navr på virrernål og/eller grad: Master of Fine Arts Utsteck av: Otis College of Art and Design, USA Avslutningsår. 2015
 Normert studietid: 2 år

#### NOKUTs vurdering av utdanningen din

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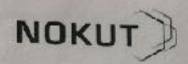
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## Official Transcript

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Print Date: 08-16-2018 Name: Rachel Wolfe Student ID: 0603065 Birthdate: 09-23-XXXX

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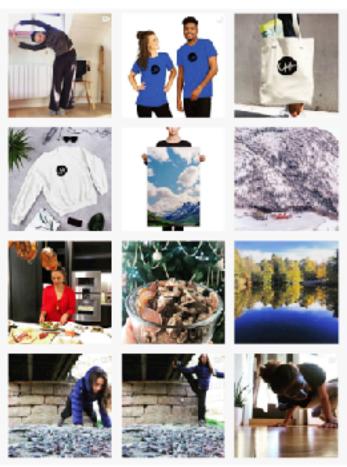
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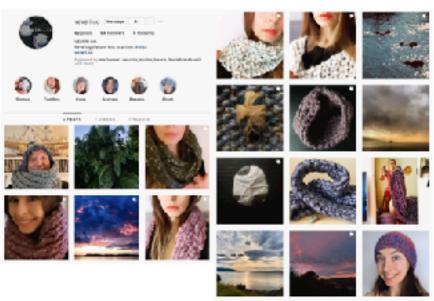


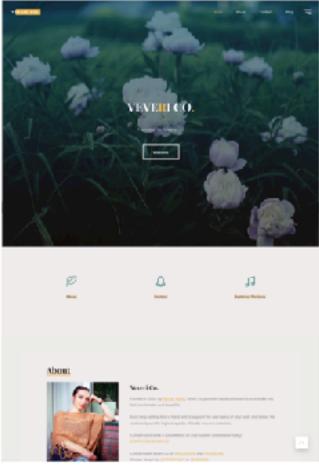


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Kjerringøy 5. January 2023

## Reference regarding Mari Amman

Kjerringøy Land Art Biennale is an artist run, international, interdisciplinary and site-specific platform for land art established by Ane Øverås in 2007. The Biennale takes place in Nevelsfjord, Kjerringøy in North Norway, above the polar circle, 67°49' N and 14° 89'. AiR-Kjerringøy is a part of this concept where artists get to work freely and concentrated inspired by the incredible nature in Nevelsfjord and at Kjerringøy. The artists respond to an open call and are selected by a qualified jury assembled by artists.

Mari Amman has been Artist in Residence at AiR-Kjerringøy in the autumn of 2020, for 4 weeks. Amman is a dedicated artists that works in several artistic fields with conviction. She has a particularly good eye for photography in the nature. And she completed an award-winning video at Kjerringøy, Blåtime. I will hope she gets to work with this Phd-project, as Amman is hard working, thorough and organized, agreeable to work with and thoughtful towards others. And most important she has crossover experience and a stayer ability.

Regards

Ane Øverås

Director of Kjerringøy Art Base Camp AS AiR Kjerringøy K-Lab

Ane Øverås is a sculptor and has been running this enterprise since 2007.



November 1, 2016
RECOMMENDATION LETTER FOR MARI AMMAN

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this general letter in wholehearted support of my former graduate student Mari Amman.

Mari is exceptional. As a student here at Otis she was a valuable member of my graduate seminars on Poststructuralist Theory, the Frankfurt School and many independent studies. I have continued to follow her work with great interest and anticipation. She is smart and resourceful, capable of sustained research.

Of all the Graduate students here, Mari showed the most growth and development in her work. She came in as a photographer interested in coding and decoding of systems. For example, her photographs included intimate, contemporary home life, portraits, landscapes and images of historic and cultural sites including Hiroshima, Kyoto, Tokyo and Matsuyama, with temples, shrines, places of work and education, recreation, and transportation.

She soon moved on to include the viewer's subjective experience in her investigation, which led her to multimedia installations: Instead of a photograph of the sky, there is now blue-tinted atmosphere. Nature is still there in photography, but now it is mediated and hovers on the edge of symbolism and science. I would say that her art as a whole traverses the whole gamut between mediation and immediacy, a problematic kept alive in photographic discourse.

Rather than deal with a simple dichotomy between let's say the metaphysical and the materialist, Mari has chosen a practice that makes that division the very subject of her work.

If you would like a more specific letter, or to discuss Mari's qualities further, please call me at (310) 665-6848.

Sincerely,

Annetta Kapon

Professor and Assistant Chair

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## To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Christopher Sisson; I am an Associate Professor of Art and Design and the Chair of the Department of Art & Art History at *Rockford University*. I am writing this letter on behalf of one of my former students, Mari Amman (formerly Rachel Wolfe), who I first met Mari 12 years ago as an Associate Professor of Graphic Design and Advertising at *The Illinois Institute of Art – Schaumburg* I got to know Mari over the course of the next few years in my Typography, Storyboarding, Intro / Advanced Advertising Campaigns, and Portfolio classes. From the start, I was struck by Mari's work ethic and impressed by her energy. She immediately proved herself to be both serious about her work and ambitious, not to mention a real talent. I have followed her work since that time, through graduate school, to her move abroad; and have been continually impressed with her growth as a creative professional and artist. I understand that she is applying for the position of Assistant Professor of Public Relations/Strategic Communications with your institution, and I would like to recommend her for this post with all my confidence.

Mari's strong points in my courses included an ability to take on daunting projects and through an in-depth and sophisticated critical thinking process, produce original and effective work to carry them to completion. Her work for me always demonstrated the highest levels of craftsmanship, and her presentation of that work both visually and orally displayed real professionalism in every sense of the word. Beyond being one of the top 3 in every class of mine she was in, she proved herself to be an innovative problem solver, with a genuine love for what she was doing. Her approach and ability to offer strong feedback as a member of a creative team made her valuable to each class she was a part of. Rare is the student whose conceptualization talents are equal to their execution, and even rarer is a student whose writing is as strong as her aptitude in producing effective visuals in multiple mediums. Mari was such a student. I consider her creative ability to be of an extremely high level, she is a motivated, talented, and dedicated photographer. In addition, I believe that Mari's range of experiences in copywriting, photography, video, web, design, print, installations and events, both domestically and abroad, bring a layered knowledge base that would be valuable to the classroom experience.

In conclusion, let me unequivocally state my strong recommendation for Mari Amman. I feel that Mari's skills, dedication, work ethic, and ambition make her a wonderful candidate for this position and would benefit your department and student body. If you have any questions or need more information, I will be happy to talk to you. Please call me at the listed telephone number or email me at the address listed below.

Sincerely,

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