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## EDUCATION

University of Rochester, PhD Candidate, Visual & Cultural Studies, expected May 2023

Dissertation: “Artist-Run Athens: Mapping Spaces of Critical Practice between Two Crises, 2008-2020” | Committee: Peter Christensen (Adviser), Kathryn Mariner, A. Joan Saab, Llerena Searle

University of Rochester, M.A. Visual & Cultural Studies, 2019

Humboldt University of Berlin, M.A. European Ethnology, Concentration in Urban Studies, 2013

Free University Berlin, B.A. Social and Cultural Anthropology, Minor in Political Sciences, 2011

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Adjunct Professor in Media and Society, 2022-23

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

Prosser Award for Outstanding Work by Beginning Scholars in Visual Methodologies, International Visual Sociology Association, 2022

Fisher Center for the Study of Gender and Justice Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2021-2022

Susan B. Anthony Institute for Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Teaching Fellowship, University of Rochester, Spring 2021

Andrew W. Mellon Digital Humanities Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2017-19

Susan B. Anthony Institute for Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Research Grant, University of Rochester, 2018

Celeste Bishop Award for Distinction in Graduate Studies, University of Rochester, 2018

Graduate Student Association Travel Grant, University of Rochester, 2017, 2022

Robert L. and Mary L. Sproull Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2015-17

Slattery Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2015-17

DOCTeam Doctoral Fellowship, Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW), 2015-18 (declined)

PROMOS Research Mobility Grant, German Academic Exchange Service, 2013

ERASMUS Study Abroad Grant, University of Leiden, Netherlands, 2009-10

## PUBLICATIONS

### Edited Volumes

Julia Tulke, ed. *Aesthetics of Crisis: Political Street Art and Graffiti in Athens, 2013-2023* (under contract with the Digital Press at the University of North Dakota for Fall 2023 publication)

Patricia R. Zimmermann and Scott MacDonald, eds. *Flash Flaberty: Tales from a Film Seminar*. Indiana University Press, 2021 (research assistant with cover credit)

### Journal Articles (refereed)

“Artist-Run Athens: Spatial Activation and Everyday Placemaking in a ‘Crisis City,’” *Journal of Urbanism*, Special Issue “Informal Placemaking: Social Activism & Practices of Art and Culture,” ed. Ayse Erek and Katalin Krasznahorkai (accepted for peer review)

- “[Figuring Crisis: The Performative Politics of Street Art in Contemporary Athens.](#)” *City: Analysis of Urban Trends, Culture, Theory, Policy, Action* 25, no. 3-4 (2021): 436-52. Scenes & Sounds Special Feature: Inscriptions of Crisis: Street Art, Graffiti and Urban Interventions. Edited by Anna Carastathis & Myrto Tsilimpounidi (2021): 1-17. DOI: 10.1080/13604813.2021.1943218.
- “[‘Wall for sale, with Acropolis view!’ Street Art, Graffiti und die Archäopolitik der Krise.](#)” In *Forum Kritische Archäologie* 8 (2019). Thematic issue “Subalterne Räume/Subaltern Spaces,” edited by Reinhard Bernbeck and Vera Egbers. 167–82.

### Book Chapters

- “‘Just because I move through a public space doesn’t mean that my body is a public space’: Queere und Feministische Positionierungen in Athener Street Art” [Queer and Feminist Interventions in Athens Street Art]. In: *Gegen die Wand: Subversive Positionierungen von Autorinnen und Künstlerinnen* [Against the Wall: Subversive Interventions by Female Authors and Artists], edited by Julia Freytag, Astrid Hackel, and Alexandra Tacke, 313-337. Berlin: Neofelis Verlag, 2021.
- with Hend Alawadhi. “Reigniting the Revolution: An Interview with Abu Malek Al-Shami.” In *Political Graffiti in Critical Times: The Aesthetics of Street Politics*, edited by Ricardo Campos, Andrea Pavoni, and Yannis Zaimakis, 302-23. New York: Berghahn Books, 2021.
- “Of Silo Dreams and Deviant Houses: The Uneven Geographies of Abandonment in Buffalo, NY.” In: *Currents: Buffalo at the Crossroads*, edited by Peter H. Christensen, 63-85. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2020.
- “Archiving Dissent: (Im)material Trajectories of Political Street Art in Istanbul and Athens.” In: *The Aesthetics of Global Protest: Visual Culture and Communication*, edited by Aidan McGarry, Itir Erhart, Hande Eslen-Ziya, Olu Jenzen, and Umut Korkut, 121-39. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, 2019.
- “Visual Encounters with Crisis and Austerity: Reflections on the Cultural Politics of Contemporary Street Art in Athens.” In: *Greece in Crisis: The Cultural Politics of Austerity*, edited by Dimitris Tziouvas, 201-19. London: I.B. Tauris, 2017.
- “Tales of Crisis from the Walls of Athens: An Exploration of Urban Austerity Through the Cultural Practice of Street Art.” In *Urban Austerity: Impacts of the Global Financial Crisis on Cities in Europe*, edited by Barbara Schönig and Sebastian Schipper, 257-70. Berlin: Theater der Zeit, 2016.

### Journal Articles (non-refereed)

- with Eirene Efstathiou, “[Dear Documenta, 5 Years On: Dear Documenta, 5 Years On: A Conversation with Eirene Efstathiou](#),” Greek Studies Now Blog, May 10, 2022.
- with Myrto Tsilimpounidi, Anna Carastathis, Sarah H. Awad, Konstantinos Avramidis, Paridhi Gupta, Susan Hansen, Piyarat Panlee, and Oksana Zaporozhets, “[Graffiti & Street Art: Queer Feminist Approaches](#),” *Nuart Journal* 3, no. 2 (2022): 126-133.
- with Myrto Tsilimpounidi, Aila Spathopoulou, Penny Travlou, and Anna Carastathis, “[Knowledge from Below: A Roundtable Conversation with the Co-Directors of the Feminist Autonomous Centre for Research in Athens](#),” *Barricade: A Journal of Antifascism and Translation* 3 (2020): 119-53.
- “Feeling the Crisis. Beobachtungen zu Emotion, Krise und Protest auf den Straßen Athens” [Affect, Crisis, and Protest in the Streets of Athens]. *Cargo – Zeitschrift für Ethnologie* 33 (2013): 75-83.

### Catalogue Essays

- “‘A Mural in Athens:’ The Street Art of WD in Global Media Discourses on the Greek Crisis.” In: *WD*, ed. Kostis Kourelis (*The Digital Press at the University of North Dakota*, forthcoming 2023)

### Conference Proceedings

- “Tags of Crisis: Polysemic Performances on the Walls of Athens.” In *Tag: Name Writing in Public Space*, edited by Edward Birzin and Javier Abarca, 69-76. Berlin: Possible Books, 2022.
- “Aesthetics of Crisis. Street Art, Austerity Urbanism and the Right to the City.” In *Lisbon Street Art & Urban Creativity 2014 International Conference*, edited by Pedro Soares Neves and Daniela V. de Freitas Simões, 102-8. Lisbon: Universidade de Lisboa, 2014

## Book Reviews

[Review of \*Graffiti and Street Art: Reading, Writing and Representing the City\* \(2017\), edited by Konstantinos Avramidis and Myrto Tsilimpounidi.](#) *Space and Culture*. 26 November, 2018.

Review of *Political Street Art: Communication, Culture and Resistance in Latin America* (2016) by Holly Eva Ryan. *Journal of Visual Culture* 17 no. 2 (2018): 256-9. doi: 10.1177/1470412918793471a.

## Digital Scholarship

[“Aesthetics of Crisis,”](#) Longitudinal research on street art and graffiti in Athens, 2013-present

## Photo and Video Essays

[“#StayAtHome Protest: DIY Banners in Berlin,”](#) *Nuart Journal* 3, no. 1 (2021): 80-87.

[“Spectres of Antiquity,”](#) Video Essay, *Plot*, January 7, 2017.

[“Welcome to Athens: Ein Photoessay zur Ästhetik der Krise,”](#) *Sub\urban. Zeitschrift für kritische Stadtforschung* vol. 1 no. 2 (2013). DOI: 10.36900/suburban.v1i2.84.

## INVITED TALKS AND LECTURES

### As Keynote Speaker

“Street Art in Athens: Aesthetics of Crisis and the Political Imagination,” Keynote lecture for the Second International Workshop on Visual Research, University of Central Lancashire, Preston, UK, March 29, 2017

### As Speaker

“The Great Intervention: Anti-Graffiti Campaigns as an Aspirational Performance of Post-Crisis,” Greek Studies Now: Local Cases, Global Debates, University of Amsterdam, 15-17 June 2022

“What Do We Get Wrong About Crisis and Creativity?” Fisher Center 2021-2022 Speaker Series: “Beyond,” Hobart and William Smith Colleges, March 10, 2022

“Archiving Crisis,” Workshop Political Graffiti, Universität Paderborn, Germany, Feb 17-18, 2022

“Living Archives of the Present: On the Historical Value of Political Street Art and Graffiti,” Department of Art History, University of St. Thomas, March 21, 2021

“Activating\_Space” Workshop, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, September 13-14, 2019

“Aesthetics of Crisis: Political Street Art in Athens,” Hellenic Cultural Society of Rochester Annual Guest Lecture “Look to Listen,” Writers and Books, Rochester, NY, December 8, 2018

“‘Just because I move through a public space doesn’t mean that my body is a public space’: Queere und Feministische Positionierungen in Athener Street Art,” Lecture Series “Gegen die Wand: Subversive Positionierungen von Autorinnen und Künstlerinnen [Against the Wall: Subversive Interventions by Female Artists],” Viadrina University, Frankfurt/Oder, Germany, July 9, 2018

“Prekäre Subjekte, Subalterne Räume: Die performative Politik von Street Art und Graffiti am Beispiel Athen [Precarious Subjects, Subaltern Spaces: The Performative Politics of Street Art and Graffiti in Athens],” Subaltern Spaces, Workshop hosted by Excellence Cluster TOPOI - The Formation and Transformation of Space and Knowledge in Ancient Civilizations, Free University Berlin, Germany, June 19-20, 2017

Second Athens Public Art Festival, “Survival—Art in Public Space,” City of Athens Cultural Center, Athens, Greece, May 6, 2017

“Die Ästhetik der Krise: Politische Street Art in Athen im Kontext von Krise und Austerität [Aesthetics of Crisis: Political Street Art in Athens in the Context of Crisis and Austerity],” Lecture Series “Leben in Zeiten der multiplen Krise [Life in Times of Multiple Crises],” University of Kassel, Germany, December 15, 2015

“Visual Encounters with Crisis and Austerity: Reflections on the Cultural Politics of Contemporary Street Art in Athens,” Greece in Crisis: Culture and the Politics of Austerity, Workshop hosted by the Networking Project “The Cultural Politics of the Greek Crisis” University of Birmingham, UK, May 23, 2014

## **As Discussant and Respondent**

- “Landlord Colors: On Art, Economy, Materiality,” Cranbrook Museum of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI, September 28, 2019.
- “Literary Salon: Graffiti Grrlz” with Jessica N. Pabón-Colón, Hudson Valley LGBT Community Center, Kingston, NY, September 23, 2018.
- “Aesthetics of Protest,” Centre for Social Movement Studies (COSMOS) at Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence, Italy, December 6, 2017.

## **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

### **Conferences (Co-)Organized**

- “Arts and Activism: The Inaugural WALL\THERAPY Conference,” The Little Theatre, Rochester, NY, July 29, 2017.
- “Representation: The Second WALL\THERAPY Conference,” Visual Studies Workshop, Rochester, NY, July 28, 2018.
- The Humanities and Technology Camp, Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester, NY, March 23, 2018.

### **Papers Presented**

- “Beyond Legitimacy: Burning Boundaries in Graffiti and Street Art Scholarship,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, November 3-6, 2022.
- “Assemblages of Possibility: Artist-Run Spaces in Athens,” European Association of Social Anthropologists 17th Biennial Conference, Queen’s University of Belfast, July 26-29, 2022.
- “Figuring Crisis: The Performative Politics of Street Art in Athens,” 10th Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Arts of the Present (ASAP), New Orleans, LA, October 17-20, 2018.
- “Polysemic Performances: Tags of Crisis on the Walls of Athens,” Name Writing in Public Space, A Conference about Tagging, in History and Today, Free University Berlin, Germany, September 14-15, 2017.
- “Figuring Crisis: The Performative Politics of Street Art in Contemporary Athens,” Annual Meeting of RC21, the Research Council on Urban Studies within the International Sociology Association, “Rethinking Urban Global Justice: An International Academic Conference for Critical Urban Studies,” University of Leeds, UK, September 11-13, 2017.
- “Visual and Performative Protest Repertoires: The Cultural Politics of Street Art in Athens,” Everyday Revolutions in Southern and Eastern Europe, University of Manchester, UK, May 19-20, 2017.
- “Austerity Urbanism and Insurgent Creativity: Tales of Crisis from the Streets of Athens,” Urban Austerity: Impacts of the Global Financial Crisis on Cities in Europe, Bauhaus-University Weimar, Germany, December 4-5, 2014.
- “Aesthetics of Crisis: Street Art, Austerity Urbanism, and the Right to the City,” Urban Creativity and Street Art, University of Lisbon, Portugal, July 3-5, 2014.
- “A Tale of Morality and Debt: Exploring German Exceptionalism in the European Economic Crisis,” States of Exceptionalism: Globalization, Difference, Power, Justus Liebig University Gießen, Germany, May 8-9, 2014.
- “Aesthetics of Crisis: Political Street Art in Athens in the Context of the Crisis,” Graduate Conference of the Georg Simmel Center for Metropolitan Studies, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany, January 17, 2014.
- “Aesthetics of Crisis: Observations from the Greek Streets” Uneven Development. Geographies of Crisis, Spaces of Resistance, Association for Critical Social Research, Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany, June 27-19, 2013.

## **TEACHING**

### **Instructor of Record, Hobart and William Smith Colleges**

Introduction to Media and Society, Fall 2022

Observing Crisis, Spring 2022

Beyond Banksy: A Critical Introduction to Street Art and Graffiti, Fall 2021

### **Instructor of Record, University of Rochester**

The Politics of Location: Space, Place, and Gender, Spring 2021  
Interventions: The Aesthetics of Feminist and Queer Protest, Summer 2019  
Beyond Banksy: A Critical Introduction to Street Art and Graffiti, Summer 2017

### **Teaching Assistant and Guest Teaching, University of Rochester**

Writing on Art, Prof. Rachel Haidu, Fall 2022 (Guest)  
GSW Senior Seminar/Honors, Prof. Tanya Bakhmetyeva, Spring 2022 (Guest)  
The Art of Infrastructure, Prof. Peter Christensen, Spring 2019 (Guest)  
Digital Media Studies Capstone, Prof. Stephanie Ashenfelder, Spring 2019 (TA)  
Writing Across Technologies, Prof. Karl Mohn, Fall 2018 (Guest)  
Digital Media Toolkit, Prof. Kirby Pilcher, Spring 2018 (TA)  
Public Art, Prof. A. Joan Saab, Fall 2018 (Guest)  
Writing on Art, Prof. A. Joan Saab, Spring 2018 (Guest)

### **Guest Teaching, Other Institutions**

Chicana Feminism and Visual Culture, Prof. Michelle Martin-Baron, HWS, Fall 2023  
Practicum in Film Festivals, Prof. Patricia Zimmermann, Ithaca College, Spring 2021  
History and Theory of Architecture, Prof. Sabina Andron, Bartlett School of Architecture,  
University College London, Winter 2020  
Athens: A World Mecca of Street Art and Graffiti, Prof. Eleftheria Astrinaki, Virtual NYU in  
Athens, Summer 2020  
Teaching the Crisis: Geographies, Methodologies, Perspectives, Summer School, Prof. Manuela  
Bojadžijev and Prof. Regina Römhild, Humboldt University Berlin, November 2013  
Cities of the Other Europe, Prof. Agata Lisiak, Humboldt University Berlin, Summer 2013

### **INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE & EMPLOYMENT, UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER**

Member, Native American Affairs Working Group, Subcommittee on Land Recognition, 2022-23  
Graduate Research Assistant, University of Rochester Medical Center, Wilmot Cancer Institute,  
Office of Community Engagement, Outreach and Disparities, September 2020 to June 2021  
Co-Organizer, 2019 Distinguished Visiting Scholar in the Digital Humanities: Jessica Marie Johnson,  
April 9-10, 2019  
Member of Organizing Committee, "Rest and the Rest: The Aesthetics of Idleness," 12th Visual and  
Cultural Studies Graduate Conference, April 12-13, 2019  
Exam Proctor, Disability Resources, March 2019-November 2019  
Co-Organizer, "No Data, No Change: Measuring Justice One County at a Time," Digital  
Humanities Lunch with Measures for Justice, March 6, 2019  
Graduate Writing Instructor, Undergraduate Writing Collective, Susan B. Anthony Institute for  
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies, February 2019  
Co-Organizer, "The Virtual Cary Archive: Exploring Special Collections Using Virtual Reality,"  
Digital Humanities Lunch with Stephen Galbraith and Shaun Foster, December 7, 2018  
Co-Organizer, "It's the Ethos, not the Tech: Pedagogical Principles for the Digital Age," Digital  
Humanities Lunch with Jane Lammers, November 6, 2018  
Research Assistant to Kathryn Mariner for the research project "Fertile Ground: An Exploration of  
Placemaking in Rochester, New York," Fall 2018  
Co-Organizer, "Playing with Digital Histories in the R-CADE," Digital Humanities Lunch with  
James J. Brown, Jr. and Robert A. Emmons, Jr., September 22, 2017  
Research Assistant to Peter Christensen for research project "Architectural Biometrics," Fall 2017  
Member of Organizing Committee, "Environments and the Ecological Self," 11th Visual and  
Cultural Studies Graduate Conference, April 6-7, 2017  
Member, Visual and Cultural Studies Professional Development Organizing Group, 2016-2019

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Co-Organizer, “Reflecting a Decade of Mural Making in Rochester: Long Table Discussion,” Joy Gallery, Rochester, NY, July 27, 2022

Associate Producer for Outreach and Engagement, Finger Lakes Environmental Film Festival (FLEFF) 2021, “Infiltrations,” Ithaca College, NY, March 22-April 22, 2019

Graduate Assistant to the Co-Directors, Finger Lakes Environmental Film Festival (FLEFF) 2019, “Disruptions,” Ithaca College, NY, April 1-7, 2019

Graduate Assistant to the Co-Directors, Finger Lakes Environmental Film Festival (FLEFF) 2018, “Geographies,” Ithaca College, NY April 9-15, 2019

Core Team Member, WALL/THERAPY Public Art Festival, Rochester, NY, 2017-present

Educator and Guide, Graffiti Archive/Archive of Youth Cultures, Berlin, Germany 2014-2018

Volunteer, Renate e.V. Library and Archive for Graphic Literature, Berlin, Germany, 2013-2016

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Selected Participant, Pelion Summer Lab for Cultural Theory and Experimental Humanities, “after/lives,” June 29–July 9, 2022

Co-Producer, Repairing the Past, Imagining the Present Otherwise: A Conversation Series, Duke University, September 2021

Selected Participant, CEU Summer University, “Commoning Art and Culture,” June 21-28, 2021

Associate Producer, *Flash Flaberty: Tales from a Film Seminar* book launch events, April-June 2020

Research Assistant to Claudia Pederson for the book project *Gaming Utopia: Ludic Worlds in Art, Media, and Design* (Indiana University Press, 2021), May-December 2019

Research Assistant to Patricia R. Zimmermann and Scott MacDonald, for the edited volume *Flash Flaberty: Tales from a Film Seminar* (Indiana University Press 2021), March-July 2019

Organizer and Moderator, “Urban Crisis, Media, Art,” Podium Discussion with Panos Leventis, Todd Lowery, Eva Fotiadi, Raum für Drastische Maßnahmen, Berlin, Germany, May 30, 2016

Selected Participant: Marie Jahoda Summer School of Urban Sociology, “Public Spaces in Transition,” University of Vienna, Austria, July 5-9, 2014

## EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

International Advisory Board Member, *Nuart Journal*, 2018-present

Managing Editor, *InVisible Culture: An Electronic Journal for Visual Culture (IVC)*, 2020-21

Editorial Board Member, Reviews Editor, *IVC*, 2015-2021

Peer reviews for *Nuart Journal*, *Contention: The Multidisciplinary Journal of Social Protest*, *ASAP Journal*, *Journal of Greek Media & Culture (JGMC)*

## EXHIBITIONS & CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

Solo Exhibition, “Aesthetics of Crisis,” Founders Hall Gallery, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, March-April 2017.

Video Contribution, “Aesthetics of Crisis,” Video Essay exhibited as part of the Seminar “Art, Expression, and Democracy,” Bank Street Arts, Sheffield, UK, April 27-29, 2016.

Photo Contribution, “The Street is my Gallery,” National Hellenic Museum, Chicago, IL, May-October 2015.

Co-Curator, “Athens Berlin Caen – A Transeuropean Dialogue on the Crisis,” R. Raum für drastische Maßnahmen, Berlin, Germany, March 2015.

Research Exhibition, “Aesthetics of Crisis,” R. Raum für drastische Maßnahmen, Berlin, Germany, July 2013.

Various photography features in *2020 Beyond Words: A Street Art Guide* (Adler, 2021) *Nothing Personal Magazine* (2021) *Blackstreets Journal for Urban Art* (2016, 2020), *Stencils de Lisboa* (Garbo, 2017), *Kiosk of Democracy* (2016), *Street Art* (Lonely Planet, 2016), *De Linkse Toekomst* (2015), *Planet Banksy* (Michael O’Mara Books, 2014), and *LuXemburg—Gesellschaftsanalyse and Linke Praxis* (2014).

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2022-present American Studies Association  
2018-present ASAP: the association for the study of arts of the present  
2018-present Institut für Protest- und Bewegungsforschung  
2017-present RC21 Urban and Regional Development, International Sociological Association

## LANGUAGE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages German (native), English (fluent), Dutch (fluent), Spanish (intermediate),  
French (intermediate), Modern Greek (pre-intermediate)  
Programs Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, ArcGIS, Final Cut Pro  
CMS Omeka-S, WordPress  
Web Languages CSS, HTML

## REFERENCES

Peter H. Christensen

Arthur Satz Professor of the Humanities, Department of Art and Art History  
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