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EDUCATION

- 2014 **MLA, Landscape Architecture**
Amsterdam Academy of Architecture
Amsterdam University of the Arts, the Netherlands
“Cultivating the City: Infrastructures of Abundance in Urban Brazil”
- 2002 **MA, Design for the Environment**
Chelsea College of Arts
University of the Arts London, UK
“Exploring New Symbioses in Environmental Design”
- 1996 **BA, Independent Scholar**
Amherst College, Massachusetts, USA
Interdisciplinary major in environmental science, philosophy and fine arts
“Constructing an Environmental Aesthetic”
Summa cum laude

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

- 2015 **Landscape Architect**
Dutch Register of Architects
N. 3.150901.001

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

- 2013 **University of Copenhagen, Denmark**
University of Agricultural Sciences, Alnarp, Sweden
11/1-11/10. Research colloquium on the *Right to Landscape and Collaborative Landscape Practices*
- 2013 **Universidade Federal Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil**
3/1-4/30. Research exchange in rural sociology and urbanism departments
- 2012 **Wageningen University, the Netherlands and University of Barcelona, Spain**
11/15-11/30. *Beyond Divides: An International Forum on Agri-Food Issues*
- 1999 **Brandeis University, Boston, MA**
9/1-12/31. Post Baccalaureate Fine Arts Program
- 1994 **L'Université de Paris IV La Sorbonne, Paris, France**
Diplôme du Centre D'Etudes Expérimentales de la Langue Française

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2016-2021 **University of Oregon, USA**
Department of Landscape Architecture
Assistant Professor
- 2015-2016 **University of Edinburgh, Scotland**
Edinburgh School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture
Assistant Lecturer
- 2015 **European Masters in Landscape Architecture Program**
Course instructor and program developer (EMiLA)
E- learning platform module on European policy and contemporary landscape architecture issues
- 2015 **EMiLA Summer Program**
Edinburgh, Scotland
Instructor and organizer of fieldwork immersion program and exhibition
- 2012-2013 **State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry Study Abroad Program**
Instructor
Amsterdam, the Netherlands

- 2011 **EMiLA Summer Program**
Amsterdam, Twente and Drenthe regions, the Netherlands
Instructor and organizer of site-based workshops and exhibitions
- 2010-2012 **Living Landscape Lectureship**
Amsterdam Academy of Architecture
Instructor, research assistant
- 1999 **Studio / Teaching Assistant** to Rico Gatson
Brandeis University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2007-22 **Landscape Architect**
Groundcondition
Amsterdam, the Netherlands and Eugene, USA
Founder of office for landscape architecture design and research
- 2011-14 **Landscape Architect**
LA for S.A.L.E (Stedenbouw Architectuur Landschap en Ecologie)
Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2010 **Landscape Architect**
Inside Outside/ OMA Office for Metropolitan Architecture, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2009 **Landscape Architect**
LAB 01 Rijksbouwmeester Onderzoekslab, Utrecht, the Netherlands
Design research lab of the Chief Government Office for Architecture of the Netherlands
- 2007-09 **Landscape Architect**
DS Landscape Architects, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2004 **Landscape Designer**
Patrick Blanc Vertical Gardens, Paris, France
- 1999 **Architecture Intern**
Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems, Austin, TX, USA
- 1995 **Architecture Intern**
Ecological Design Collaborative of Sim Van der Ryn, Sausalito, CA, USA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Landscape Architects, member
Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture, member
Nederlandse Vereniging voor Tuin- en Landschapsarchitectuur - member
(The Netherlands Association for Garden and Landscape Architecture)

EXHIBITIONS

- 2020-22** **Prairie Futures**
Joes, Colorado
Landscape installation, pavilion, and events series
www.prairiaseaprojects.org
- 2016** **International Architecture Biennale Rotterdam**
Par(c)kdesign: Par(c)kFarm
Rotterdam, the Netherlands
Co-curator of design biennial and exhibitor of Landscape Table installation
- 2014** **CityVision Exhibition**
Serenissima: Saving Venice
Wuho Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Invited exhibitor in peer-reviewed show
- 2012** **Amsterdam Architectural Center**
Vertical Mushroom Farm
Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Peer-reviewed show of international architectural work
- 2012** **CITIES Foundation and the Amsterdam Fund for the Arts**
Farming the City: Mushroom Tree Forest
Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Public installation as part of awarded arts grant project
- 2012** **Amsterdam Academy of Architecture Waterlooplein Gallery**
Landscape Architecture Masterpieces Exhibition
Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Curator and graphic designer for show
- 2011** **AIA New York and Amsterdam Architectural Center**
Red Point Parks 2050: Swimming to Manhattan
New York, NY, and Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Peer-reviewed show; 1st place winner

- 2010 **European Landscape Biennial, Barcelona, Spain**
 A Walk on the Wild Side: An Agroforestry Vision for Landscape Renewal
 Peer-reviewed show of design work in Biennial
- 2002 **Kings Road Gallery London**
 Exploring New Symbioses in Environmental Design
 Master's thesis exhibition
 London, UK

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2019 **The University of Oregon Town and Gown Sustainability Award**
 Received with Yekang Ko and Kory Russel for **Landscape for Humanity**
- 2018 **Oregon Percent for the Arts Program**
 110,000\$ commission received for Landscape Table and Urban Orchard
 Installation at Bean Hall, University of Oregon
- 2012 **Vertical Mushroom Farm** *first prize*
 Architecture Center of Amsterdam
 Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2012 **The Strip - Community Happens** *honorable mention*
 Pruitt Igoe Now Organization
 St. Louis, IL
- 2011 **Red Point Parks: A Vision for a Sustainable Hudson Bay** *first place*
 AIA New York and the Amsterdam Academy of Architecture
 New York, NY and Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 2011 **Serenissima: The Eternal City?** *finalist*
 Venice Cityvision Competition
 Venice, Italy 2011 and Los Angeles, CA
- 2002 **International Design Resource Award**
 Seattle, WA
 Awarded for sustainable outdoor furniture design EELs
 (Ecologically Emergent Leisure Landscapes)

- 2000 **International Design Resource Award**
Seattle, WA
Awarded for **Clam House**
- 1996 **Wise Fine Arts Award**
Amherst College, MA
Awarded for best undergraduate thesis in fine arts at Amherst College
- 1996 **Phi Beta Kappa Society**
Highest national award granted for overall excellence as an undergraduate

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2014 Oles, T., Abelman, J. and Timmermans, M. (2014). *Go with Me: 50 Steps to Landscape Thinking*. Amsterdam: Architectura & Natura Publishers.
Researcher, worked intensively with author to develop contents.

PEER-REVIEWED CHAPTERS

- 2023 (Upcoming) Abelman, J, and Potteiger, M. Re-negotiating the Boundaries Between Infrastructure and Landscape: the Emergence of Infrastructural Ecologies. In *Urban Food Mapping*. Routledge.
- 2022 Abelman, J., Chang, C. Y., Chang, S. E., Hou, J., Hung, S. H., Lai, P. H., & Pryor, M. (2022). Reimagining urban agriculture for sustainable urban futures: Education, health, and urban commons. In *The Routledge handbook of sustainable cities and landscapes in the Pacific Rim* (pp. 155-163). Routledge.
- 2018 Parham, S., and Abelman, J. (2018). Food and Urban Design. In Zeunert, J. & Waterman, T. (Eds.), (pp. 409-432). *Routledge Handbook of Food and Landscape*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- 2018 Abelman, J. (2018). Cultivating the City: Design Research for Productive Infrastructures in the Global South. In Wiskerke, H. (Ed.), (pp. 187-192). *Flourishing Foodscapes—Designing City-Region Food Systems*. Amsterdam: VALIZ.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2015 Abelman, J. (2015). Cultivating the City: Infrastructures of Abundance in Urban Brazil. *Future of Food: Journal on Food, Agriculture and Society*, 3(1), 99-106.

PRESS AND OTHER RECOGNITION

BOOKS

- 2013 Abelman, J. and Bruinsma, M. (2013). **Capturing Urban Waste Streams: Vertical Urban Mushroom Farming in Inner-City Amsterdam.** In *Farming the City: Food as a tool for today's urbanization.* (pp. 132-133) Valiz: Trancity Publisher.
- 2012 Solomon, D. and Abelman, J. (2012). **Foodscape Schilderswijk: Urban Agriculture Typological Mapping in The Hague.** In *Food for the City: A Future for the Metropolis.* (pp. 86-87). Den Haag: NAI Publishers / Stroom.
- 2010 Abelman, J. (2010). **Ecologically Emergent Leisure Landscapes.** In White, M. & Przybylski, M. (Eds.), *On Farming: Bracket 01.* (pp. 208-210) Barcelona and New York: Actar Publishers.
- 2004 Abelman, J. (2014). **The Clam House.** In Fuad-Luke, A. (Ed.), *The Eco-Design Handbook.* (pp. 197-199) London: Thames and Hudson Publishers.

ARTICLES

- 2021 Abelman, J., Stoltz, K. and Hearty, M. (2021) **Prairie Futures.** *MAD Agriculture.* Journal Issue 6, Winter
- 2015 Abelman, J. (2015). **Cultivating the City: Infrastructures of Abundance in Urban Brazil.** *Urban Agriculture Magazine (RUAF)*, 29, 62-65. (reprint)
- 2015 Abelman, J. (2015). **Renda da Mata: Infraestruturas de Abundância no Brasil Urbano.** *Revista de Agricultura Urbana*, 6, 23-27. (reprint and translation into Portuguese)

OTHER PRESS

- 2022 **Prairie Futures.** Edited by J. Abelman, M. Hearty, K. Stoltz. Joes, Colorado: Prairie Sea Projects, with Grassroots Community Center, 2022. Exhibition/project catalog.
- 2014 Abelman, J. (2014). **Serenissima: Saving Venice.** *World Landscape Architecture Annual.* Retrieved online from <https://worldlandscapearchitect.com>
- 2010- 12 **Capita Selecta: Living Landscape Interviews**
Interviews conducted by Jacques Abelman with Thomas Oles, Anne Whiston Spirn, Chris Reed, Alan Berger and Ken Smith for the Amsterdam Academy of Architecture.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2017 **From Urban Agriculture to New Urban Commons: The Emergence of Productive Infrastructural Ecologies**
Co-authored paper with Matthew Potteiger, Professor, SUNY Syracuse. University of Pennsylvania Culture of Cultivation Symposium
- 2017 **Speaking Truth to Power: Landscape Narratives of Resistance and Change**
Landscape Futures: 2017 UNISCAPE Conference Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management, University of Copenhagen
- 2016 **The City of Seed to Plate: Social Ecologies and Networked Infrastructures**
Landscape Values: Places and Praxis Conference
Center for Landscape Studies and UNISCAPE, National University of Ireland
- 2015 **Urban L.A.C.E.: Networking Food, Forests and People in Urban Brazil**
Landscape Democracy Conference
Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Oslo, Norway
- 2015 **Renda da Mata: Local Agroforestry, Collective Engagements**
AESOP Sustainable Planning Conference
Polytechnic of Turin, University of Turin
- 2013 **Cultivating the City: Infrastructures of Abundance**
Landscape Democracy Conference
University of Copenhagen and University of Agricultural Sciences, Alnarp
- 2012 **Articulating Landscape Practices for Urban Brazilian Foodscapes**
Beyond Divides: An International Forum on Contemporary Agri-Food Issues

Wageningen University PUREFOODS Conference
Wageningen University, NL and University of Barcelona, Spain

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 **Landscape for Humanity: a platform for Engaged Design Research, Practice and Pedagogy**
Council of Educators in landscape Architecture, Sacramento, CA
- 2019 **From Urban Agriculture to New Urban Commons: The Emergence of Productive Infrastructural Ecologies**
Poster presentation
Council of Educators in landscape Architecture, Sacramento, CA
- 2017 **From Urban Agriculture to New Urban Commons: The Emergence of Productive Infrastructural Ecologies**
University of Pennsylvania Culture of Cultivation Symposium
- 2017 **From Urban Agriculture to new Urban Commons: Productive Landscapes and Infrastructural Ecologies**
Association of Pacific Rim Universities, Working Group Leader, Portland, OR
- 2011 **EELLS: Ecologically Emergent Leisure Landscapes**
International Federation of Landscape Architects, Zurich, Switzerland

INVITED LECTURES

- 2018 **Slow Design: Drawing and Iteration as Form Finding**
Christof Lindner's SLOWLAB, University of Oregon
- 2018 **How I became a Landscape Architect**
American Society of Landscape Architects' Faculty Forum
University of Oregon
- 2017 **Cultivating the City**
Visiting Chinese Architects Program
University of Oregon
- 2015 **Desafíos de la Agricultura Urbana**
Centro de Formación para la Integración Regional (CEFIR) y el Museo de las Migraciones Montevideo, Uruguay

- 2013 **Renda da Mata: Infraestruturas de Abundância no Brasil Urbano**
Universidade Federal Rio Grande do Sul
Porto Alegre, Brazil

- 2013 **Cultivating the City: Infrastructures of Abundance in Urban Brazil**
Amherst College, Massachusetts, USA

- 2013 **Urban L.A.C.E.: Local Agroforestry, Collective Engagements**
Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA

- 2010 **Lines of Approach**
Sint Nicolas Hooze School voor de Kunst, Brussels, Belgium

GRANTS AND FUNDING

- 2020 **Prairie Sea Projects: Farming Fluxus**
\$50,000 award from the National Endowment for the Arts

- 2020 **Prairie Sea Projects: Farming Fluxus**
\$30,000 award from the Gates Family Foundation

- 2020 **Prairie Sea Projects: Farming Fluxus**
\$10,000 award from the Arts in Society Foundation

- 2020 **Prairie Sea Projects: Farming Fluxus**
\$10,000 award from the El Polmar Foundation

- 2019 **Resilience Initiative Seed Funding**
\$30,000 Awarded to Landscape for Humanity the University of Oregon

- 2019 **Percent for the Arts Program**
100,000\$ commission received for The Landscape Table installation at
Bean Hall, The University of Oregon

- 2017 **Sustainability Faculty Fellows Grant**
1000\$ received for development of sustainability driven course The Edible
City: Food Systems and Urban Agriculture Studio

- 2017 **Teaching Engagement Program Communities Accelerating the Impact of
Teaching Fellowship**

2000\$ stipend and participation in the Difference, Power and Agency working group for multicultural teaching requirement and Teaching Institute workshop

- 2016 **New Junior Faculty Research Award**
2000\$ support for research awarded to new faculty in the College of Design
- 2014 **Dutch Embassy in Belgium International Collaboration Fund**
2000 Euro grant received for Par(c)kfarm project in Brussels
- 2012 **NH BOS Foundation Award**
1500 Euro grant for development of MLA thesis project and travel in South America
- 2012 **Amsterdam School for the Arts Internationalization Grant**
1000 Euro grant awarded in 2012 for travel for travel to Brazil

TEACHING

MASTER'S THESIS COMMITTEES (*Indicates Committee Chair)

- 2021 ***Hana Ketterer:** How can urban ecological function in public space design serve the needs of vulnerable populations?
- 2021 ***Kris Parr:** The spatial effects of therapeutic and educational gardens on children's mental health
- 2020 ***Tshewang Tamang:** (re)Compose: Integrating agriculture as essential infrastructure; Toward resilient urban futures in Kathmandu"
- 2020 **Cassidy Schoenfelder:** Situating the Field-Based Artist Residency: An Ecocritical and Art Historical Analysis of Signal Fire
- 2019 ***Sierra McComas:** Identifying the Potentials for Intensive Green Roof Farming in New York City
- 2019 **Ivy Hsu:** Prioritizing Underserved Communities and Optimizing Walking Networks for Urban Heat Island Mitigation in Eugene (Co-chair)
- 2018 ***John Maxson:** The Things We've Done for a Table Leg: A Landscape Narrative Approach to the Colonial Mahogany Trade
- 2018 ***Chad Hawthorne:** And Then There Were Butterflies /A Design Guidebook: Using Butterfly Life Histories to Design for Urban Butterfly Habitat Gardens

COURSES TAUGHT

course number: course title

University of Oregon, USA

LA 439/539: The Art of Landform Design Studio

LA 439/539: The Edible City Design Studio

LA 408/508: Advanced Digital Media

LA 472/572: Critical Creative Practice

LA 410/510: Food Systems Seminar

LA 289: The Hope Garden Design Studio

University of Edinburgh, Scotland

Arch 08031: Landscape Architecture Design 'Learning to Land'

Arch 11189: MLA critical theory and professional development seminar

EMiLA Summer Program and E-Learning Program

Summer intensive fieldwork immersion program: *Think Landscape Inside the Box*

E-learning platform module on European policy and contemporary design issues

INVITED LECTURES IN UNIVERSITY OF OREGON COURSES

- 2019 **The Landscape Table: a Platform for Social and Ecological Interaction**
Sustainability Academic Residential Community at Bean Hall
- 2018 **Food Systems in Landscape Architecture**
Prof. Diana Garvin's Mediterranean Ecologies Seminar RL407
University of Oregon
- 2018 **Infrastructures of Abundance**
Asst. Prof. Michael Geffel's Understanding Landscapes LA260
University of Oregon
- 2018 **Infrastructures of Abundance**
Asst. Prof. Kory Russel's Design for a Sustainable World LA199
University of Oregon
- 2018 **Edible Cities: First Harvest**
Prof. Stephen Wooten's Food Studies Invited Lecture Program
University of Oregon
- 2017 **Speaking Truth to Power: Narratives of Resistance in Landscape Architecture**
Prof. Liska Chan's Understanding Landscapes LA260
University of Oregon

2017 **Radical Abundance**
Prof. Stephen Wooten's Food Studies Invited Lecture Program
University of Oregon

ACADEMIC SERVICE

University of Oregon

2017-19 CAIT Communities Accelerating the Impact of Teaching Working Group on Difference, Agency and Power with TEP. Reviewed and made new proposals for revisions to the multicultural teaching requirement. Participated in Summer Teaching Institute.

College of Design

2018-19 COD Committee on Equity and Inclusion
2018 SAE Committee for the Summer Academy Working Group
2017-19 United Academics Steward for the College of Design
2017-19 Faculty Reviewer for MFA candidates

Department of Landscape Architecture

2017-19 Studio Skills Committee, Head
2018 Lecture Series Coordinator, Head
2017-19 PhD Admissions Committee
2017-19 Fuller Center for Productive Landscapes Faculty Advisory Board
2017-19 Urban Farm Committee
2017-19 Curriculum Committee

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

2018 Review of Abstracts, Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture
2016-20 Member West Jefferson Neighborhood Association