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I. Education

Ph.D. | Digital Media, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA. 2021 - Present.

MLA | Landscape Architecture, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. 2015 – 2018.

MUP | Urban Design & Planning, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. 2015 – 2018.

BS | Double Major in Landscape Architecture and German, Minor in Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI. 2008 – 2013.

Exchange Program | Landscape Architecture, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU), Vienna, Austria. 2010

Exchange Program | German Language, University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany. 2009

II. Publications & Presentations

1. Peer-Reviewed Conference Publications

Sylvia Janicki and Nassim Parvin. Reflexive Data Walks: Visual and Embodied Explorations at the Boundary of Space and Knowledge. Submitted – under review.

Sylvia Janicki, Anne Sullivan, Noura Howell, and Nassim Parvin. Sensing Bodies: Being, Feeling, and Breathing with Plants. In preparation.

Shubhangi Gupta, **Sylvia Janicki**, Pooja Casula, and Nassim Parvin. 2022. Rethinking Safe Mobility: the Case of Safetipin in India. ACM Information & Communication Technologies and Development Conference (ICTD '22).

Sylvia Janicki, Matt Ziegler and Jennifer Mankoff. 2021. Navigating Illness, Finding Place: Enhancing the Experience of Place for People with Chronic Illness. ACM SIGCAS Conference on Computing and Sustainable Societies (COMPASS '21). Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3460112.3471955>

2. Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Lorraine Johnson, Mira Shapiro, Raphael B. Stricker, **Sylvia Janicki**, Jennifer Mankoff.
Does Sex Matter in Lyme Disease? The Need for Sex-Disaggregated Data in Persistent
Illness. Submitted – under review.

Yen-Fu Chen and **Sylvia Janicki**. 2020. A Cognitive-Based Board Game With Augmented
Reality for Older Adults: Development and Usability Study. *JMIR Serious Games*.
8(4): e22007. doi: 10.2196/22007. PMID: 33315015; PMCID: PMC7769693.
Available at <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33315015/>

3. Conference Talks & Workshops

Sylvia Janicki, Katherine Bennett, Alexandra Riggs. 2023. Embodied Histories: Crafting
Interactive Narratives. Roundtable Discussion at WGS South Conference. Virtual:
Mar 30 – Apr 1, 2023.

Sylvia Janicki, Shubhangi Gupta. 2021. Unsettling Boundaries through Data. Workshop
at the Information+ Conference. Virtual: Sep 29 - Oct 1, 2021.

Sylvia Janicki. 2021. Selective Memories, Shifting Places: Exploring Repressed Spatial
Narratives of Taiwan's White Terror Era. Presented at the Land/scaping Taiwan
Workshop organized by University of Washington's Taiwan Studies Program.
Virtual: Jan, 2021.

Sylvia Janicki. 2019. [Dis]placed by Illness: Exploring Narratives of Chronic Illness for a
More Inclusive Built Environment. Presented at the Council of Educators in
Landscape Architecture (CELA) Conference in Sacramento, CA: Mar 6 - 9, 2019.

4. Thesis & Dissertations

Sylvia Janicki. 2018. [Dis]placed by Illness: Lyme Disease as a Case for Re-imagining
Everyday Places to Recognize Invisible Chronic illnesses. MLA and MUP Thesis.
University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Available at
<https://digital.lib.washington.edu/researchworks/handle/1773/42423>

5. Poster Presentations

Sylvia Janicki. 2018. [Dis]placed by Illness: Lyme disease as a Case for Re-Imagining
Everyday Places for Invisible Chronic Illnesses. Poster presentation at the 2018 APA
Washington Annual Conference in Spokane, WA: Oct 4 - 5, 2018.

6. Exhibits & Demonstrations

Sylvia Janicki. “A Memorial To Earth.” Demonstrated at the 4S/ECOCITE Annual Conference, Universidad Iberoamericana, Cholula, Mexico, December 6-10th, 2022.

Sylvia Janicki, Noura Howell, Anne Sullivan, Nassim Parvin. “Sensing Bodies: Reflections on Human-Plant Relationships” Demonstrated at the GVU 30th Anniversary Event, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, November 2nd, 2022.

Sylvia Janicki, Aditya Anupam, Nassim Parvin. “Heart Sense: An Interactive Visualization of Embodied Social Connection.” Demonstrated at the GVU 30th Anniversary Event, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, November 2nd, 2022.

Sylvia Janicki, Aditya Anupam, Shubhangi Gupta, Mohsin Yousufi, Pooja Casula, Anne Pollock, Lewis Wheaton and Nassim Parvin. “Heart Sense.” Demonstrated at ACCelerate: ACC Smithsonian Creativity and Innovation Festival 2022, National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C., April 8th – 10th, 2022.

Sylvia Janicki. “Screen Printed Memories in Taipei Landscapes.” Exhibited as featured artist at Minami Zephyr, Taipei, Taiwan, April 18th – May 11th, 2021.

7. Invited Talks

Panelist for “Gender Equality: Reimagining our Future through Art and Technology” hosted by Serve, Learn, Sustain and Georgia Tech Alumni Association, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA, November 9th, 2022.

Panelist for “Digital Spaces” hosted by Columbia Graduate School of Architecture Planning and Preservation, Columbia University (virtual attendance), May 30th, 2022.

III. Employment

1. Design Experiences

Artist in Resident | BFK Children’s Museum. Appleton, Wisconsin. May-August, 2023

Graphic Designer | LymeDisease.Org. 2021-Current.

Graphic and Visual Designer | Freelance. Taipei, Taiwan. 2019-2021.

Landscape Designer | HBB Landscape Architecture, Seattle, WA. 2018-2019.

Landscape Designer | Saiki Design, Madison, WI. 2013-2015.

2. Research Positions

Graduate Fellow | Digital Integrative Liberal Arts Center (DILAC), Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA. 2021-Present.

Graduate Research Fellow | Participatory Design Lab, Department of Media Design, Tatung University, Taipei, Taiwan. 2019-2021.

Research Intern | Make4All, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. 2019-2020.

3. Teaching Experience

Instructor | Game Design Studio: 2D Game Design. Department of Media Design, Tatung University, Taipei, Taiwan. Spring, 2021. (Taught in Chinese).

Instructor | Game Design Studio: Tabletop Game Design. Instructor, Department of Media Design, Tatung University, Taipei, Taiwan. Fall, 2020. (Taught in Chinese).

Co-Instructor | Introduction to HCI. Co-Instructor, Dept of Civil & Construction Engineering, National Taiwan University of Science & Technology. Fall, 2020. (Taught in English).

Substitute Instructor | Conversational English. College of Business, National Cheng-Chi University, Taipei, Taiwan. 2019.

Teaching Assistant | Chinese Language. Teaching Assistant. Chinese Language School of Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI. 2007-2008.

4. Other Employment Experiences

Graduate Student Assistant | UW ADVANCE Center for Institutional Change, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. 2015-2018.

Urban Planning Intern | Division of Planning and Zoning, Middleton, WI. 2012-2013.

Horticulture Intern | Olbrich Botanical Gardens, Madison, WI. 2012.

Intern | Madison Children's Museum, Madison, WI. 2010-2011.

IV. Honors & Awards

Student Research Award | Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA), 2019.

Honor Award, MLA Thesis (Written) | Washington State Chapter America's Society for Landscape Architecture (WASLA), 2019.

Honor Award, MLA Thesis (General) | WASLA, 2018.

Honor Award, Design Studio | WASLA, 2018.

2nd Place, MUP Thesis Award | University of Washington Department of Urban Design and Planning, 2018.

Fellowship Recipient | Lee and Rolaine Copeland Endowed Fellowship in Urban Design. 2015-2016.

Graduate Scholarship Recipient | Kosciusko Foundation. 2015-2016.

Graduate Scholarship Recipient | DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), 2015.

Finalist, Outstanding Senior Award | Wisconsin State Chapter America's Society for Landscape Architecture. 2013.

Undergraduate Achievement Award | University of Wisconsin Dept. of German, 2013

Outstanding Sophomore Award | College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALs), 2012.

Undergraduate Scholarship Recipient | University of Wisconsin-Madison College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. 2009-2013.

Scholarship Recipient | WVR - Academic Excellence-Office of Student Financial Services Scholarship. 2008-2012

Scholarship Recipient | Congress-Bundestag Exchange Program Scholarship. 2007-2008.