

About the Contributors

MAILE ANDRADE is a multimedia artist and Professor at Kamakakūokalani Center for Hawaiian Studies at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, developing and teaching in a Native Hawaiian creative expression program. She has a Master of Fine Arts in Ceramics/Fiber from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and has exhibited her works locally, nationally, and internationally.

SOPHIE BACHELIER is a photographer and filmmaker, a graduate in Decorative Arts from Paris who also holds a Master's in Ethnology. She is interested in how collective history meshes with individual destinies and transforms them. Her work focuses on themes of memory, wandering, exile and their traces; it privileges the actual words, and the silences, of the people she meets over commentary. Her film *MBĒKK Mi, the breath of the ocean* (2013) about illegal emigration in Senegal as seen by those wives and mothers who remain on the shore, received special mention for Best Feature-length Documentary from the Anna Politkovskaya Jury at the 30th Créteil Women's Film Festival. Her film *CHOUCHA, an unfathomable indifference* (a collaboration with Djibril Diallo, 2016) received the prize for best documentary at the Festival Vues d'Afrique in Montreal, Canada. In 2017, Sophie Bachelier & Djibril Diallo presented their twelve-part film, *REJECTED*, at the 57th Venice Biennale as part of the Tunisian Pavilion's *The Absence of Paths*.

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FIDALIS BUEHLER is Professor of Art at Brigham Young University and is an artist living in the Mountain West region (Utah) of the United States. His life is a blending of two

cultures—one being of Euro-American descent and the other of Pacific Island heritage. He exhibits in regional, national, and international exhibitions. Notable experiences include his participation in *Urban Mythologies*, Auckland's NorthArt Center, *New Mystics* at the CUAC, *Rose Colored Glass* at the Katherine E. Nash Gallery at the University of Minnesota, Gallery Protocol in Gainesville, Florida and a publication with *New American Paintings*. His work represents manifestations of identity seen through the complexity of American culture and South Pacific traditions—calling attention to confrontations and conflicting realities; straddling the line between levity and earnest devotion. The images are essentially self-portraits seen through various forms of expanded and contracted narratives devised through acts of playful conjuring—reassembling personal histories that embody fear, anxiety, mythology, dreams, revelations, magic, mysticism, and ritual.

EMALANI CASE is Lecturer in Pacific Studies at Victoria University of Wellington. She coordinates core Pacific Studies courses focusing on Pacific heritages, histories in Polynesia, and the role of artists and activists in reframing Pacific societies. As a Hawaiian woman, activist, writer, and dancer, she is deeply engaged in issues of Indigenous rights and representation, dietary colonialism and food sovereignty, political independence, and environmental and social justice. Her current research focuses on Hawaiian articulations of identity and nationalism, sovereignty, and decolonizing Indigenous minds and bodies. Emalani's blog, *He Wahi Pa'akai: A Package of Salt*, can be found at: <https://hewahipaakai.wordpress.com/>. She is from Waimea, Hawai'i.

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CHRIS CHARTERIS was born in Auckland and was later adopted into a Pakeha family who told him he was Māori. When Charteris was older, he discovered that he was of Kiribati, Fijian, and British descent. He has been a prolific sculptor and maker of jewelry since the mid-1980s. Charteris's work can be found in a number of public and private collections, including the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, The Dowse Art Museum, and the British Museum and the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, Cambridge. Selected solo exhibitions include *Forces of Land and Ocean*, Milford Galleries Dundedin (2016); *Tungaru: The Kiribati Project* in collaboration with Jeff Smith, Mangere Arts Centre—Ngā Tohu o Uenuku, Auckland Museum, Pātaka Art + Museum (2014–2016); *Tuanako*, FhE Gallery, Auckland (2011); *To the Heart of the Matter*, FhE Gallery, Auckland (2010); *Unlocked*, Koru Contemporary Art, Hong Kong (2009); *Matau*, FhE Galleries, Auckland (2008); *Spaces Between*, Gallery at Woollaston, Nelson (2008); and *Cross Cultures*, Janne Land Gallery, Wellington (2006). Group exhibitions include *Contemporary Artefacts*, Corban Estate Arts Centre (2016); *Wunderruma*, Galerie

Handwerk Munich, Germany, and The Dowse Art Museum, Wellington (2014); *Stone, Fingers*, Auckland (2014); *Laisee – 10 Years of Koru Contemporary Art in Hong Kong*, Koru Contemporary Art, Hong Kong (2011); and *Pasifika Styles*, Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, England (2008). Charteris is represented by Fingers, Auckland; Fhe Galleries, Auckland; Milford Galleries Dunedin; and Koru Contemporary Art, Hong Kong.

CHRISTO and **JEANNE-CLAUDE**'s collaborative projects resulted in monumental environmental interventions. Often, their work involved giant swaths of fabric wrapped around architecture or draped and stretched through natural landscapes. Notable works include *The Gates* (1979–2005) in New York's Central Park, *Running Fence* (1972–1976) in California's pasture land and coastline, and *Wrapped Reichstag* (1971–1995) in Berlin. Born on the same day on June 13, 1935, Christo Vladimirov Javacheff and Jeanne-Claude Marie Denat met while living in Paris in 1958. Their decades-long partnership came to a close when Jeanne-Claude died on November 18, 2009 in New York, NY, although Christo continues to work under both the artists' names. Their works are found in the collections of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Musée d'art modern et d'art contemporain in Nice, and the Cleveland Museum of Art, among others.

JAMES COOPER is a multimedia artist who studied landscape architecture at the University of British Columbia. His work was first recognized by the curator Tim Barber and featured on his influential website *Tiny Vices*. Utilizing his personal environment, Cooper is making art in a local language powered by universal references. His practice speaks to the often comically complex nature of modern existence, while providing a calm and meditative counterweight to that chaos. Cooper has exhibited throughout the world, notably at the Contact Scotia Bank Photo Festival Toronto and the inaugural New York Photo Festival, but has been intentionally focused on engaging with regional art movements, showing work in Haiti (Ghetto Biennale), Bahamas (Bahamas National Gallery, Popop Studios), Jamaica (Jamaica Biennial JNG, NLS Kingston), Martinique (Fondation Clement) and Trinidad (Alice Yard).

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HUMBERTO DÍAZ lives and works in Havana, Cuba. He studied Ceramics and Graphic Design at the Escuela Profesional de Artes de Trinidad in 1995 and graduated in 2004 in sculpture from the Instituto Superior de Arte de La Habana. Díaz has participated in more than twenty solo exhibitions and hundreds of group shows featuring his site-specific work, videos, and performances. Highlights include the VIII, IX, X, XI and XII Bienal de la Habana; the IX International Biennial of Contemporary Art of St. Peters-

burg, Russia (2009); Portugal Art (2010); and the 55th Venice Biennial (2013). His awards include the Grand Prize of the VI Biennial of Ceramics “Amelia Peláez” (2001); the Premio Nacional de Curaduría del Consejo Nacional de las Artes Plásticas de Cuba (2005); and the Creation Grant “Estudio 21” at the Centro de Desarrollo de las Artes Visuales de La Habana (2010). His works are held in public and private collections in Cuba, Mexico, the United States, and Europe.

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CHERYL FINLEY is the Inaugural Distinguished Visiting Professor of the Atlanta University Center Collective for the Study of Art History and Curatorial Studies in Atlanta, USA. She is also Associate Professor of Art in the Department of the History of Art at Cornell University, USA. She is the author of *Committed to Memory: The Art of the Slave Ship Icon* (Princeton UP, 2018), which was awarded the Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Horowitz Book Prize for the best book on the decorative arts, design history, or material culture of the Americas published in 2018. Dr. Finley’s work has appeared in numerous academic and popular publications, including *Aperture*, *Nka: Journal of Contemporary African Art*, *American Quarterly*, *Art Forum* and *Small Axe*; in the co-authored publications *My Soul Has Grown Deep: Black Art from the American South* (Yale UP, 2018), *Teenie Harris, Photographer: An American Story* (Carnegie Museum of Art, 2011), and *Diaspora, Memory, Place: David Hammons, Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons, Pamela Z* (Prestel, 2008); and in catalog essays on the artists Lorna Simpson, Hank Willis Thomas, Carrie Mae Weems, and Deborah Willis. Together with Heike Raphael-Hernandez (U of Würzburg) and Leigh Raiford (UC Berkeley), she was awarded an American Council of Learned Societies Collaborative Research Fellowship (2015–17) for *Visualizing Travel, Gendering the African Diaspora*. A specialist in the art market, Dr. Finley’s current research exam-

ines the global art economy, focusing on the relationship among artists, museums, biennials and migration in the book project, *Black Market: Inside the Art World*.

CAROLINE SINAVAIANA GABBARD has recently retired as Professor of English at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, where she taught Oceanic and Comparative Ethnic Literatures and Creative Writing. A poet and critic, her creative work includes a forthcoming collection of poetry, *Side Effects: A Pilgrimage*, as well as *Mohawk/Samoa: Transmigrations* (with James Thomas Stevens) published by Subpress in 2005, and *Alchemies of Distance* (Tinfish, Subpress, and Institute of Pacific Studies, 2002). Together with J. Kehaulani Kauanui, she coedited *Women Writing Oceania*, a special issue of *Pacific Studies* (Vol. 30, 2007). In the early 1990s, she founded an environmental NGO in Sāmoa, where she is now based and busy establishing a consulting firm and NGO devoted to building sustainable community and preserving Indigenous knowledges in Sāmoa, throughout Oceania, and the diaspora. She serves on the advisory board of *Meridians, A Journal of Feminism, Race and Transnationalism* and also as Regional Liaison for the Ford Foundation Doctoral Fellows Program.

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VERONICA JACKSON makes connections across the disciplines of art, architecture, and design as compiled in her multidecade portfolio in interpretive exhibition and communication design. She honed her conceptual and practical skills by working on culturally significant and historically prominent projects. Examples range from *African Voices* at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History to *Discovering the Civil War* at the National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, DC. Jackson brings a constellation of capabilities to each endeavor: from communicating to diverse audiences to creating inviting and engaging experiences that promote discovery. She is also a dedicated proponent for intellectual accessibility in the visual arts. Jackson holds firm that once exposed to it, art is a transformative experi-

ence. With the intent to record, interpret, and make aware the impact visual culture has on our daily lives, Jackson received a MA in Visual and Critical Studies from California College of the Arts, San Francisco. During her tenure at CCA her work examined identity, agency, and empowerment as performed by African American women in the visual landscape. Her current emphasis—scholarly writing, curating, and a text based visual art and installation practice—critically elucidates the visualization of gender and race in America, with a specific focus on the portrayal, perception, and legacy of Black women in popular media of their time.

YUKI KIHARA is from Sāmoa and is a leading interdisciplinary artist whose work engages with a variety of social, political and cultural issues. In 2008, The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York presented a solo exhibition of Kihara's work entitled *Living Photographs* featuring highlights of her interdisciplinary art practice, followed by an acquisition of her works by the museum for their permanent collection. Kihara's work has been presented at the Asia Pacific Triennial (2002 & 2015), Auckland Triennial (2009), Sakahàn Quinquennial (2013), Daegu Photo Biennial (2014) and Honolulu Biennial (2017). In addition, Kihara's works, performances, seminars & projects have been presented, among others, at the Mori Art Museum, Tokyo; Zendai Museum of Modern Art, Shanghai; Hong Kong Visual Arts Centre; Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Taiwan; Bozar Centre for Fine Arts, Brussels; Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin; Hebbel am Ufer, Berlin; Musée du Quai Branly, Paris; Trondheim Kunstmuseum, Norway; Utah Museum of Fine Arts, USA; de Young Fine Art Museum of San Francisco, USA; Orange County Museum of Art, USA; Allen Memorial Museum of Art, USA; Los Angeles County Museum of Art, USA; Jean-Marie Tjibaou Cultural Centre, New Caledonia; Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney; Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney; Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane; Te Papa Tongarewa Museum of New Zealand; University of the South Pacific and the National University of Sāmoa among others.

GLENDIA LEÓN is a Cuban artist born in Havana in 1976. She is the recipient of The Pollock-Krasner Foundation Award and residencies like Couvent des Recollets in Paris, and Fonderie Darling in Montreal. Her works are in the permanent collections of the Georges Pompidou Centre, Museum of Fine Arts of Houston, Hammer Museum, Cuban National Museum of Fine Arts, PAMM, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Montreal Museum of Contemporary Art, the Art Gallery of Ontario, and the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center. She was part of the Cuban Pavilion in the 55th Venice Biennale with the sound installation *Music of the Spheres* (2013). She has participated in group exhibitions at the Brooklyn Museum, New York; CCA Wattis Institute, San Francisco; Bronx Museum, New York; Villa du Parc centre d'art contemporain, Annemasse, France; Badischen Kunstverein, Karlsruhe, Germany; City Art Museum Ljubljana, Slovenia; The Mattress Factory, Pittsburg; Rhode Island School of Design Museum, Rhode Island; *Nuit Blanche*, Toronto, Canada; MART Museum, Rovereto, Italy; CIFO, Miami; Centre for Contemporary Art Laznia, Gdansk, Poland; Musée des beaux-arts de

Montréal, Canada; Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, and De Appel, Amsterdam, Holland. She has held solo exhibitions at CDAV, Havana, Cuba; Espace expérimental du Plateau, Paris, France; Chateau des Adhemar, Montélimar, France; Matadero Madrid, Spain; and Centro Atlántico de Arte Moderno CAAM, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain, among other spaces. Her work has been published in several magazines, catalogues, and newspapers such as *Bomb Magazine*, *Art Nexus*, *Art Forum*, *Flash Art*, and *Artecubano*.

IPING LIANG is Professor of English and American Studies at National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU), in Taipei, Taiwan. Trained as an Americanist, she is interested in issues related to race, class, gender, ethnicity, space, and environment. Her areas of specialization include Asian American Literature, Native American Literature, Critical Plant Studies, and Archipelagic American Studies with a focus on Taiwan (Formosa) and the Philippines. She is the author of *Storytelling Resistance: A Critical Reading of Native American Fiction* (NTNUP, 2019) and *Ghost Dances: Toward a Native American Gothic* (Bookman, 2006); as well as the editor of *Mushroom Clouds: Ecocritical Approaches to Militarization and the Environment in East Asia* (Routledge, 2020), *I'm Migrant: New Perspectives of Overseas Chinese Studies* (NTNUP, 2018), and *Asia/America: Asian American Literature in Taiwan* (Bookman, 2013). Her current research projects concern Charles Le Gendre (1830–1899) and his role in the strategic formation of the archipelagos across Japan, Korea, and Taiwan.

GABRIELE LINKE is Professor of British and American Cultural Studies at the University of Rostock, Germany. In her book on popular literature as cultural memory (*Populärliteratur als kulturelles Gedächtnis*, 2003), she examines contemporary British and American series romances with regard to the construction and memorialization of national history. Her strong interest in the teaching of culture(s) in secondary and tertiary education is expressed in the edited volume *Teaching Cultural Studies: Methods, Matters, Models* (2011). In Cultural Studies, she has focused on postcoloniality and transculturality in British and American film. Furthermore, she has coedited five thematic volumes of interdisciplinary gender studies, the last of which, dealing with popular culture, gender and agency (*Populärkultur – Geschlecht – Handlungsräume*), came out in 2018. Previously, however, contemporary autobiography in English has been her main field of research and has led to such publications as the collection *British Autobiography in the 20th and 21st Centuries* (2017), coedited with Sarah Herbe, and several articles on North American and British autobiographical writing and film.

CHRISTOPHER LYNN is Associate Professor of Historical, Critical, and Cultural Studies in Art and Design at Brigham Young University. He is also freelance curator and artist. He was the executive director of SPACES (2008–2013) in Cleveland, Ohio, where he ushered in new projects by such artists as Nandipha Mntambo, Steve Lambert, Temporary Services, William Pope.L, Jon Rubin, and Machine Project. He has presented papers at the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters and Columbia University's

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MARY MATTINGLY's work has been exhibited at Storm King, the International Center of Photography, the Seoul Art Center, the Brooklyn Museum, the New York Public Library, deCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, and the Palais de Tokyo. With the US Department of State and Bronx Museum of the Arts she participated in the smARTpower project, traveling to Manila. Mattingly has been awarded grants and fellowships from the James L. Knight Foundation, Eyebeam Center for Art and Technology, Yale University School of Art, the Harpo Foundation, NYFA, the Jerome Foundation, and the Art Matters Foundation. Her work has been featured in *Aperture Magazine*, *Art in America*, *Artforum*, *Art+Auction*, *Art News*, *Sculpture Magazine*, *China Business News*, *The New York Times*, *New York Magazine*, *Financial Times*, *Le Monde Magazine*, *Metropolis Magazine*, *New Yorker*, *The Wall Street Journal*, the *Brooklyn Rail*, the *Village Voice*, and on BBC News, MSNBC, Fox News, News 12, NPR, WNBC, New York 1, and on Art21's New York Close Up series. Her work has been included in books such as the Whitechapel/MIT Press Documents of Contemporary Art series titled *Nature* and edited by Jeffrey Kastner, Triple Canopy's *Speculations ("The future is__")*, published by Artbook, and Henry Sayre's *A World of Art*, 8th edition, published by Pearson Education, Inc.

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DAN TAULAPAPA McMULLIN is an artist and poet from Sāmoa Amelika (American Samoa). His book of poems *Coconut Milk* (University of Arizona Press, 2013) was on the American Library Association Rainbow List Top Ten Books of the Year. In 2018, *Samoan Queer Lives*, coedited with Yuki Kihara, was published by Little Island Press of Aotearoa. Taulapapa's performance poem *The Bat* and other early works received a 1997 Poets&Writers Award from The Writers Loft. His artwork was in exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum, De Young Museum, Oakland Museum, Bishop Museum, NYU's A/P/A Gallery, and the United Nations. His film *Sinalela* won the 2002 Honolulu Rainbow Film Festival Best Short Film Award. *100 Tikis* is an art appropriation video at the intersection of tiki kitsch and Indigenous sovereignty and was the opening night film selection of the 2016 *Présence Autochtone First Peoples Festival* in Montreal; and was

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NINA MORGAN teaches critical theory and literature at Kennesaw State University where she is Associate Professor of English and a founder of the Program in American Studies. Currently the Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Transnational American Studies* (Stanford), which will celebrate its 10th year of publication in 2019, Dr. Morgan also serves on the advisory board of *Synthesis* (University of Athens, Greece) and has been an editor on *Asian America: Journal of Culture and the Arts* (UCSB) and of the *Review of Japanese Culture and Society* (Josai University, Japan); together with Alfred Hornung and Takayuki Tatsumi, she coedited the forthcoming *Routledge Companion to Transnational American Studies* (2019). She is also the coeditor of a collection of essays on comparative philosophy, called *Edward Said and Jacques Derrida: Reconstellating Humanism and the Global Hybrid*. Her podcast, available from the London School of Economics, is entitled "Metaphor and Crisis in Freud and Derrida." Dr. Morgan is a founder and honorary member of the Moroccan American Studies Association, a nationwide organization based at Hassan II University, Casablanca, Morocco, where she lectures regularly; she is formerly the Chair of the American Studies Association

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