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## EDUCATION

**Boston University**, PhD Candidate (ABD) in Religion and Society. Degree expected Spring 2017. Adviser: Nancy T. Ammerman. Dissertation fieldwork at an interfaith magazine and programs office in Rome, Italy.

**Columbia University / Union Theological Seminary**, Master of Divinity, emphasis Interfaith Relations and Ecumenism, 2011. Advisers: Gary J. Dorrien and Paul Knitter.

**Yale University / Yale School of Drama**, Certificate in Arts Management, 2005.

**Brandeis University / Heller School for Social Policy**, summer program in Social Change Theory, 2004.

**Stanford University**, B.A. Drama, emphasis Playwriting, 2001.

**Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts (UK)**, Honors playwriting program, 2000.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Freelance Translator of Italian magazine articles, books, and academic articles**

- *Confronti Magazine*, Rome: publicity materials, online and print copy
- *Istituto Tevere*, Rome: publicity materials, online and print copy
- *The Other Side of Italy: Immigration in a Changing Country* (original Italian text by Franco Pittau, IDOS Study and Research Center, Roma, Italy 2015)
- *The ineffective power. The Catholic Church and the Italian Crisis 2011-2014* (original Italian text by Paolo Naso, Professor Political Science at Roma Sapienza University, slated for 2016 publication)

### ***State of Formation***

*Online offshoot of the Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue*

Twice-monthly human interest, field reports, research, and theoretical articles written for State of Formation (SoF), an online forum for emerging religion journalists, scholars and ethical leaders. Summer 2012 award, Outstanding Contributing Scholar. <http://www.stateofformation.org/author/jenn-lindsay/>

### **Contributing Writer**

*Fall 2010-present*

### **Boston University Institute for the Biocultural Study of Religion**

*Center for research on the biological and cultural foundations and functions of religion*

### **Staff Documentarian**

*Spring 2014-present*

Production of a series of documentary videos on various research projects of the IBCSR with the purpose to communicate to the general public the process and findings of these specialized projects. Video production entails interviews, filming, coordinating project meetings, editing footage, adjusting rough cuts with board. Projects span such fields as cognitive psychology, neuroscience, social science, and computer simulation.

### **Agape Centro Ecumenico**

*Ecumenical centre in Northern Italy with roots in post-WWII peace movement*

### **Planning Committee and Journalism Instructor**

*August 2010 - August 2014*

Staff member for annual summer conference series on global political and theological concerns. Conference annual themes have included Fundamentalism, Violence, Body Politics, Eco-Justice, Ecological Alternatives, and Just Political Systems. Edited annual newsletter and led workshops on journalism and documentary film.

**Boston University Social Science and Religion Network***Multidisciplinary faculty and student network*

Organization of monthly seminar “Works in Progress” series (publicity, flyer design, outreach, speaker selection, physical event set-up). Network outreach for events and opportunities. Website maintenance.

**Network Coordinator***Summer 2012-Spring 2014***Congregation Beth Simchat Torah***NYC’s Synagogue for LGBT Jews, their Families, and Friends*

Researched donors, coordinated special events, wrote grant proposals and supported the Development Department and Executive Director’s office. Established and edited monthly newsletter for donors and public. Coordinated institution’s weekly bulletins and emails.

**Development Associate***2007 - 2008***Plus Media***Production Company (PR and Marketing focus)*

Coordinated satellite media tours for local morning news shows around the country: wrote scripts, produced tours, prepared press kits and station pitches, edited hard copy and live to tape segments in FCP, prepared media for live tours.

**Segment Producer***2006 – 2007***Yale Repertory Theatre**

Served administrative leadership roles in various departments

House Manager: Hired, trained, and managed student usher corps for mainstage production; nightly staff safety training. Marketing: Developed ad budget and execution; implemented marketing strategy; founded special interest group event to double house capacity; researched and approached local special interest groups to attend production (direct marketing). Development: Individual giving campaign, annual campaign, and membership campaign involvement. Company Management: Artist relations, scheduling, special events assistance. Assistant to the Managing Director of Yale Cabaret: marketing, promotions, alumni relations.

**Management Associate***2004 - 2005***Zazendi** (luxury linens and crafts company; in-house design and wholesale)

- Developed company business plan; future projections, graphic design, marketing strategy
- Sales, publicity, management, hiring, balanced and maintained company budget, press and marketing

**Executive Assistant***2003 - 2004***Lights in Action** (network hub of North American Jewish campus organizations)

- Directed organization interns
- Coordinated innovative programming designed to empower Jewish students to connect to their heritage

**Program Assistant***2001 - 2003***TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE****Boston University:** Teaching Fellow and Research Assistant. *Boston, MA. 2011-2016*

*Spring 2014:* Religion 106 / Death and Immortality. Professor: Stephen Prothero. 230 undergraduates. Student evaluations available for all courses listed.

*Fall 2013:* Religion 384 / The Holocaust in Historical Context. Professor: Steven T. Katz. 105 students (graduate/undergraduate mix). Seminar on Germany’s Final Solution in light of Western history of antisemitism.

*Spring 2013:* Religion 103 / World Religions East. Professor: Teena Purohit. 81 undergraduates.

*Fall 2012:* Religion 100 / Introduction to Religion. Professor: Thomas Michael. 83 undergraduates. Led multiple weekly discussion sections, held office hours, graded exams and research papers, delivered thematic lectures.

*Research Assistant*, ongoing semesters: Prof. Nancy Ammerman and Prof. Hillel Levine (sociologists of religion); Prof. Wesley Wildman (philosophy and science of religion)

**Workmen’s Circle:** Hebrew School Teacher. *Brookline, MA. 2011-2013.*

Leader of weekly seventh grade class of a secular Jewish community school. Lessons on ethics, Jewish tradition, art, spirituality and identity. Helped students develop intensive research projects, personal statements, and the group Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony. Produced *From Alef to Zayin: A Secular Jewish Education* (21-minute documentary), a non-commercial educational video tool meant to stimulate thinking about the role of Jewish identity, the idea of non-religious Judaism, and children’s understanding of religious rites of passage.

**The Indonesian Center for Religious and Cross-Cultural Studies:** Henry Luce Cultural Exchange Fellow. *Yogyakarta, Indonesia, Summer 2010.*

Conducted ethnographic research on how Catholic/Muslim couples in Central Java cope with social, legal, and religious discourse against interreligious unions. Focused on personal faith narratives, extended family relations, and intersections of Islamic law, Indonesian civil regulations and local domestic customs. Master's thesis: "*Your Neighbor as Yourself: A Comparison of Anthropological and Theological Approaches to Otherness Through the Lens of Catholic/Muslim Relationships in Jogjakarta, Indonesia.*" Advisor: Dr. Heddy Shri Ahimsa-Putra, Universitas Gadjah Mada Department of Anthropology.

**Union Theological Seminary:** Research Associate, Manuscript Editor. *New York, NY. Summers 2009 and 2011.* Topic: The Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius of Loyola. Wrote précis of approximately 45 scholarly journal articles on the various applications and outcomes of the spiritual exercises from psychological, ecological, developmental, sociocultural, theological, and ethical perspectives. Copyedited book manuscript about the history, theology and applications of the exercises. Advisor: Dr. Roger Haight, S.J..

**Chavín de Huantar Research Project:** Stanford University Chappell-Lougee Research Fellow. *Chavín de Huantar, Ancash, Peru. Summer/Fall 1999.*

Conducted ethnographic research in the north central Peruvian Andes on "Andean Women's Ethnoastronomy," or the indigenous woman's experience of sky patterns and celestial phenomena such as eclipses, weather patterns and celestial folklore. Research on rituals development and practice, and how native celestial folklore interacts with local Catholic heritage and symbol systems. Conducted interviews with residents in Spanish and Quechua (the local native dialect). Supported by Stanford's Chappell-Lougee Fund. Advisor: Dr. John Rick, Stanford University Department of Anthropology.

**B'nei B'rith Youth Organization:** Music Director. *Milwaukee, WI. Summer 2008.*

Facilitated musical learning and artistic atmosphere for high-schoolers at BBYO's Chapter Leadership Training Conference summer camp, a training seminar for youth community leaders. Group singing sessions, songwriting and performance workshops and pastoral counseling sessions helped teens articulate, celebrate and contribute to their heritage. Developed curricula to deliver meaningful Jewish content to groups of diverse religious commitment level.

**San Diego Repertory Theater:** Artistic Production Intern. *San Diego, CA. 2003-2004.*

Literary management, casting, coordinated conservatory classes.

**No Evil Star Records:** Composer, Performer, Freelance Teaching Artist. *North America. 2001-2010*

Composed, produced and promoted 10 original albums with independent music label. Organized festival, led workshops, directed interns, helmed fundraising for two campaigns, graphic design, booking, press and marketing. Taught workshops on Political Songwriting, Running an Independent Label, and Your Monologue at universities in Canada and the U.S.. Workshops oriented to ages 10-18. Workshop locations: Ottawa Ladyfest, Oregon State University, Vassar College, SUNY Binghamton, Columbia University, Liverpool University, Staten Island High, Northern Arizona University

**Menlo School:** Assistant Director of Drama Department. *Menlo Park, CA. 1997-2000.*

Served as drama instructor to a middle-school aged group of fifty students over three seasons. Assistant to the faculty director; also directed individual scenes and rehearsed students in preparation for shows.

### **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Comprehensive Exam topics: Social Science of Religion; Religious Diversity and Pluralism; Contemporary Italian Religions. (2013-2014)
- Convener of Religion and Society Colloquium for BU Division of Religious and Theological Studies
- Boston University Film Society Spring 2013 Featured Lecturer: "Religion and Film Series"
- Boston University Graduate Student Organization Representative for the Division of Religious and Theological Studies (2012-present)

- Union Theological Seminary Student Senate Third-Year MDiv Student Representative (2010-11)
- Participant in Union Theological Seminary's Interdisciplinary seminar in ecumenical theology at the Facoltà Valdese di Teologia. Explored issues of religious diversity, interfaith contact, the Italian Valdese Church, religious history and archaeology, and intra-faith Christian dialogue. Rome, Italy. Winter 2011
- Guest Musician at the World Without Empire Conference at Union Theological Seminary. April 2010
- Henry Luce Delegate to the Parliament of the World's Religions in Melbourne, Australia. December 2009
- Co-Chair of the Union Interfaith Caucus (2009-10)
- Union Student Senate Student Activities Coordinator (2009-10)
- Summer 2009 Volunteer in eco-spirituality and environmental justice at Holy Wisdom Monastery, WN

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS**

American Anthropological Association  
 International Society for the Sociology of Religion  
 Society for Psychological Anthropology  
 Academy of American Religion  
 The Society for Italian Historical Studies  
 American Association for Italian Studies  
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion  
 Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness

### **PUBLISHED AND PRODUCED WORK**

#### **CONFERENCE AND FILM FESTIVAL PRESENTATIONS**

- Intimalente Annual Film Festival, Caserta Italy (CM), January 2016: *Jilbab*
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, panel session on Religion and Relationships, Boston 2013: "Interfaith Dialogue in Rome."
- Psychology and the Other, poster session, Cambridge MA 2015: "Alterity and Mutual Recognition in Rome"
- International Congress on Science and/or Religion, film screening, Vienna Austria 2015: *IBCSR* (see below)
- International Association for the Psychology of Religion, panel on Religious Pluralism, Istanbul Turkey 2015: "Alterity and Mutual Recognition in Rome"
- International Society for the Sociology of Religion, panel on Visual Sociology, Louvain-la-Neuve Belgium July 2015: *From Alef to Zayin* (see below), and discussion on film as fieldwork
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Boston 2013: "Comparative Content Analysis of Literatures on Interreligious Relationships"
- Religion and Gender Workshop Series, Boston 2013: *Jilbab* (see below)
- Society for Psychological Anthropology/Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group Annual Meeting, San Diego 2013: *From Alef to Zayin*
- International Society for the Sociology of Religion Film Series, Finland 2013: *Jilbab*
- American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting Film Series, Chicago 2012: *Jilbab*
- Agape Centro Ecumenico, Prali Italy 2012: "Howard Thurman, Mysticism, and Social Action"
- American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting, Rutgers NJ 2012: *Jilbab*
- Muslim Women and the Challenge of Authority Lecture Series, Boston 2011: *Jilbab*

### **WEB PUBLICATIONS AND ARTICLES**

"Ideas for Research On Interfaith Couples and Families." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 21 September 2015.

<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/09/ideas-for-research-on-interfaith-couples-and-families/>

- “One of These Jews Is Not Like the Others: A Progressive Jew at an Orthodox Yom Kippur.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 17 September 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/09/one-of-these-jews-is-not-like-the-other-a-progressive-jew-at-an-orthodox-yom-kippur/>
- “‘Right View’ and Interfaith Dialogue.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 3 September 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/09/right-view-and-interfaith-dialogue/>
- “Stand together yet not too near together”: How Interfaith Dialogue Teaches Participants to Value Diversity” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 31 August 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/08/stand-together-yet-not-too-near-together-why-interfaith-dialogue-must-teach-us-to-appreciate-how-we-are-different/>
- “The Mechanics of Personal Transformation via Interfaith Dialogue.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 25 August 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/08/the-mechanics-of-personal-transformation-via-interfaith-dialogue/>
- “What’s “Religious” About Interreligious Dialogue?” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 18 August 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/08/whats-religious-about-interreligious-dialogue/>
- “The Difference Between Religious Diversity and Religious Pluralism.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 5 August 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/08/the-difference-between-religious-diversity-and-religious-pluralism/>
- “What Exactly is “Mutual Recognition”?” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 31 July 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/what-exactly-is-mutual-recognition/>
- “50 Years Since Nostra Aetate” with The International Council of Christians and Jews.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 24 July 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/50-years-since-nostra-aetate-with-the-international-council-of-christians-and-jews/>
- “Ethnographic Filmmaking and the Scientific Study of Religion.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 21 July 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/ethnographic-filmmaking-and-the-scientific-study-of-religion/>
- “On Taking a Selfie with Pope Francis.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 13 July 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/on-taking-a-selfie-with-pope-francis/>
- “Methodological Challenges to Measuring Transformation.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 7 July 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/methodological-challenges-to-measuring-transformation/>
- “Choice and Safety: Required Ingredients for Interfaith Progress.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 2 July 2015.  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/07/choice-and-safety-required-ingredients-for-interfaith-progress/>
- “Sulla condanna a morte dell’attentatore di Boston. On the Death Penalty for the Boston Bomber.” *Confronti Magazine* (online edition.) 23 June 2015.  
<http://www.confronti.net/confronti/2015/06/sulla-condanna-a-morte-dellattentatore-di-boston/>

- “Romantic Distance vs. Vexing Proximity: the difficulty of real up-close interfaith encounters.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 22 June 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/06/romantic-distance-vs-vexing-proximity-the-difficulty-of-real-up-close-interfaith-encounters/>
- “On Irreconcilable Differences: My Interreligious Dialogue with Mormon Missionaries.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 16 June 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/06/on-irreconcilable-differences-my-interreligious-dialogue-with-mormon-missionaries/>
- “Pluralismo Vivo: The Interfaith Roads of Rome.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 12 June 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/06/pluralismo-vivo-the-interfaith-roads-of-rome/>
- “What Can Interfaith Dialogue Really Do?” (3 Part Series). *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 12 May 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/05/what-can-interfaith-dialogue-really-do-part-1-of-3/>  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/05/what-can-interfaith-dialogue-really-do-part-2-of-3/>  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/05/what-can-interfaith-dialogue-really-do-part-3-of-3/>
- “How Do We Tolerate the Intolerant?” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 23 April 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/04/how-do-we-tolerate-the-intolerant/>
- “The Kaleidoscope of Activism (Parts I and II).” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 16 February 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/02/the-kaleidoscope-of-activism-part-1/>  
<http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/02/the-kaleidoscope-of-activism-part-2/>
- “Scholar of Religion Tells Her Jewish Journey.” San Diego Jewish World. 12 February 2015. <http://www.sdjewishworld.com/2015/02/12/scholar-religion-tells-jewish-journey/>
- “An Audience with Pope Francis—Dispatch from Rome.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 3 February, 2015. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2015/02/an-audience-with-pope-francis-dispatch-from-rome/>  
Reprinted at: <http://www.sdjewishworld.com/2015/02/06/pope-jewess/>
- "Sapere Ascoltare è Terapeutico." *Confronti Magazine* Dec. 2014: 19.
- “‘There is no such thing as Palestine!’—Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 28 November, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/there-is-no-such-thing-as-palestine-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “‘This is our life.’—Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 21 November 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/this-is-our-life-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “‘You are an ambassador’—Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 18 November 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/you-are-an-ambassador-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “Life is Hard Here — Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 13 November, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/life-is-hard-here-dispatch-from-palestine/>

- “The Beginning of a Settlement — Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 10 November, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/the-beginning-of-a-settlement-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “‘Come and see, then go and tell’—Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 5, November, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/11/come-and-see-then-go-and-tell-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “‘Just Tell Our Story’ — Dispatch from Palestine.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 29 October, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/10/just-tell-our-story-dispatch-from-palestine/>
- “An Improvised Family: Yom Kippur with Rome’s Progressive Jews.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 17 October, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/10/an-improvised-family-yom-kippur-with-romes-progressive-jews/>
- “When in Rome, Do As the Progressive Roman Jews Do.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 1 Oct. 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/10/when-in-rome-do-as-the-progressive-roman-jews-do/>
- “We Have No Water.” *State of Formation RSS*. The Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 28 July 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/07/we-have-no-water/>
- “The Immigration Office.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 24 July, 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/07/the-immigration-office/>
- “The Roman Jewish Vigil for Israel.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 21 July. 2014. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2014/07/the-roman-jewish-vigil-for-israel/>
- “Unrateable Terrors.” *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 20 November 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/11/unrateable-terrors/>.
- "Why Religion Should Not Try So Hard to Be Cool." *State of Formation RSS*. The Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 2 Oct. 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/10/why-religion-should-not-try-so-hard-to-be-cool/>.
- "Jesus and the Moneychangers in the Scrovegni Chapel." *State of Formation RSS*. The Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 30 Sept. 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/09/jesus-and-the-moneychangers-in-the-scrovegni-chapel/>.
- "Who Is a Muslim? Tension at an Interfaith Ramadan Gathering." *State of Formation RSS*. The Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 7 Aug. 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/08/who-is-a-muslim-tension-at-an-interfaith-ramadan-gathering/>.
- "The Spirituality of Learning." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 17 May 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/05/the-spirituality-of-learning/>
- "Why Monty Python Makes for Good Religion: Reflections on Religion and Film, Part 1/3." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 12-16 May 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/05/why-monty-python-makes-for-good-religion-reflections-on-religion-and-film-part-13/>
- "The Election of the New Hope: Dispatch from Rome." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 15 Mar. 2013. <http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/03/the-election-of-the-new-hope-dispatch-from-rome/>

- "Does the Pope's Resignation Matter to Non-Catholics?" *Washington Times Communities*. Washington Times, 24 Feb. 2013. <<http://communities.washingtontimes.com/neighborhood/interrogating-religion/2013/feb/24/does-popes-resignation-matter-non-catholics/>>.
- "What's the Big Deal About Interfaith Marriage?" *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue, 8 Feb. 2013. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/02/whats-the-big-deal-about-interfaith-marriage/>>.
- "How Paul Tillich Helped Me Matter." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 4 Feb. 2013. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2013/02/how-paul-tillich-helped-me-matter/>>.
- "Multiple Belonging: Thoughts on Belonging to More Than One Religion." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 20 July 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/07/multiple-belonging-thoughts-on-belonging-to-more-than-one-religion/>>.
- "A Failed Interfaith Encounter at Starbucks." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 17 July 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/07/a-failed-interfaith-encounter-at-starbucks/>>.
- "Culinary Pluralism; or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Olive." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 15 Feb. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/02/culinary-pluralism-or-how-i-learned-to-stop-worrying-and-love-the-olive/>>.
- "Statehood, Selfhood, and the Importance of Boundaries." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 15 Jan. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/01/statehood-selfhood-and-the-importance-of-boundaries/>>.
- "Praying at the Wishing Wall of Jerusalem." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 11 Jan. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/01/praying-at-the-wishing-wall-of-jerusalem/>>.
- "Being the Change You Wish to See in the Middle East." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 9 Jan. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/01/being-the-change-you-wish-to-see-in-the-middle-east/>>.
- "Seeking Freedom Behind the Partition." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 7 Jan. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/01/seeking-freedom-behind-the-partition/>>.
- "Erev Israel." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 5 Jan. 2012. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2012/01/erev-israel/>>.
- "Love and Weight Loss." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 14 Nov. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/11/love-and-weight-loss/>>.
- "Life Is Still Freakin' Awesome, Y'all." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 2 Oct. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/10/life-is-still-freakin-awesome-yall/>>.
- "On Greed and Giving Up the Boots I Cannot Live Without." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 16 Aug. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/08/on-greed-and-giving-up-the-boots-i-cannot-live-without/>>.
- "Zen and the Art of Bicycle Commuting." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 13 Aug. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/08/zen-and-the-art-of-bicycle-commuting/>>.
- "The Embarrassment of Faith." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 13 June 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/06/the-embarrassment-of-faith/>>.
- "Why I Quit the Interfaith Praise Band." *State of Formation RSS*. The Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 13 June 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/06/why-i-quit-the-interfaith-praise-band/>>.



- "Making Sense of "God's Love"" *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 25 Mar. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/03/making-sense-of-gods-love/>>.
- "How I Learned to Pray with the Help of Saint Ignatius and a Times Bestseller." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 24 Mar. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/03/how-i-learned-to-pray-with-the-help-of-saint-ignatius-and-a-times-best-seller/>>.
- "Where Is God in Goodbye?" *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 11 Mar. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/03/where-is-god-in-goodbye/>>.
- "Everything I Need to Know I Learned from a Tibetan Buddhist Mandala." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 10 Mar. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/03/everything-i-need-to-know-i-learned-from-a-tibetan-buddhist-mandala/>>.
- "You Probably Do Not Have Narcissistic Personality Disorder." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 8 Mar. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/03/you-probably-do-not-have-narcissistic-personality-disorder/>>.
- "I Accept the Other, But I Fight with My Brother: Why Intra-faith Relations Can Be the Biggest Challenge of All." *State of Formation RSS*. Journal of Inter-religious Dialogue, 22 Jan. 2011. <<http://www.stateofformation.org/2011/01/i-accept-the-other-but-i-fight-with-my-brother/>>.
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## FILM

Filmmaking (Script, Production, Editing): <http://vimeo.com/jennlindsay>

- **IBCSR.** A 75-minute feature documentary about the Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion in Boston. Filmmaker Jenn Lindsay, a PhD Candidate in the Graduate Division of Religious Studies at Boston University, uses documentary film techniques to explore and explain the Institute's various research projects. Through scenes in research labs, interviews with research scientists, explorations of the campus and surrounding city, and glimpses into religious communities in various locations, the film touches on many discussions. It broaches the scientific study of religion; interdisciplinary research; the complexity of "religion" as a study object; the dialogues between religion and science; the limits of science; and the value of scientific approaches to religious practice, communities, and human behavior. Web link: <https://vimeo.com/album/3283985>
- **From Alef to Zayin: A Secular Jewish Education.** A 21-minute documentary on the Bar/Bat Mitzvah class of Workmen's Circle of Boston, MA; the film follows how this secular humanist Jewish community leads the students to develop and express their Jewish identities by focusing on the ethnic and cultural aspects of Judaism, culminating in a secular Bar/Bat Mitzvah developed by the Workman's Circle ritual committee and the children themselves. Filmed and edited Spring/Fall 2012. Screenings: Society for Psychological Anthropology/Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group Annual Meeting, San Diego 2013. Web link: <http://vimeo.com/54737646>
- **Jilbab:** A 73-minute documentary on veiling trends for women in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. Interviews with students from Universitas Gadjra Madrah and local women's fashion boutiques speak about Indonesian veiling ideology and fashion. Yogyakarta, Indonesia, Summer/Fall 2010. 20 minute educational version available. Screenings: Muslim Women and the Challenge of Authority Lecture Series, Boston 2011. American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference in New Brunswick NJ, March 2012. American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago IL, November 2012. International Society for the Sociology of Religion, Turku, Finland, June 2013. Religion and Gender Workshop Series, Boston 2013. Weblink: <http://vimeo.com/31991952>. 20 Minute classroom/educational cut: <https://vimeo.com/38278232>.
- **Agape International Political Camp.** A 21-minute documentary about ecumenical environmental activism in the Italian Alps at Agape Centro Ecumenico, an ecumenical centre in Northern Italy with roots in post-WWII peace movement. Interviews with community members, eco-activists, scientists, and conference organizers on the conference itself and on the larger issue of grassroots activism and communities. Filmed and edited Summer 2012 in Prali, Italy. Weblink: <http://vimeo.com/54736209>
- **Occupy Boston, Occupy Religion:** A 57-minute documentary on the role of religion at Occupy Boston and beyond (with a Christianity cameo from Occupy Wall Street). Participants from Judaism, Unitarian Universalism, Hare Krishna, Buddhism and Christianity share their convictions on the connection between religion, social justice, and the Occupy Movement. Filmed and edited Fall 2011 by Jenn Lindsay for AN770 at Boston University. Weblink: <http://vimeo.com/31439106>
- **Union Theological Seminary Chapel program:** six 4-minute video segments capturing Chapel programming. Filming, graphics and editing by Jenn Lindsay. NY, NY, Summer 2010. Weblink: <https://vimeo.com/78211242>
- **Holy Wisdom Monastery:** A 16-minute documentary on the summer eco-spirituality volunteer program. Filming, editing, and music composition by Jenn Lindsay. Madison WI, Summer 2009. Weblink: <http://www.vimeo.com/6485069>
- **Seeing Through the Hands:** six 10-minute promo videos for a woman-owned Brooklyn Yoga, Personal Training and Massage Studio. Filming, graphics and editing by Jenn Lindsay. Brooklyn, NY, January 2009-August 2009. Weblink: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTMw2qN-Q\\_U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTMw2qN-Q_U)
- **Sasha Bruce Youthwork:** 7-minute promotional fundraising video for a Washington, DC non-profit organization that strives to meet the ever-changing needs of DC's youth and families with innovative

programming such as youth shelters, leadership workshops, vocational training, and basic healthcare. Web link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ek5fIOMyJOk>

### **Film and Story Editing**

- *Miracle Temple*: ten hour-long sermons edited for public access broadcast. Edited by Jenn Lindsay. Baltimore, MD, March 2006-September 2008. Weblink: <http://www.miracletemple.net/article.php?id=9>
- *Trek Nation*, Atmosphere Pictures / Roddenberry Productions. 35mm/HD/HDV, 2 hr. documentary feature. September 2006-March 2007.
- *Body and Soul*, Swete Films. 60 minute documentary series pilot; story sequencing, rough cutting, digitizing. August 2006-February 2007.
- *Nimrod Nation*, The Sundance Channel. Documentary television series (single episode freelance work). March 2006.
- *8th and Ocean*, MTV / Remote Productions. Reality television show. October 2005-March 2006.

### **Film Producing**

- *Got My Baby*, Xanadu Productions. Music Video. March-October 2006.
- *The House in Capricorn*, Raw Impressions Productions and Festival. 10 minute movie musical. April-May 2006.

## **MUSIC**

### **Albums Composed and Produced by Jenn Lindsay (available on iTunes and at [www.jennlindsay.com](http://www.jennlindsay.com))**

- *Allora Eccola*, released 6/14 by No Evil Star Records in Boston, Massachusetts. For this and all albums below, Jenn Lindsay composed all music/lyrics, arranged orchestration, played majority instruments. Recorded and sound engineered by Jenn Lindsay at Claymoss Kitchen Studios in Brighton MA.
- *Prospect Hearts*, released 5/11 by No Evil Star Records and Olive Juice Music Productions in New York City. For this and all albums below, Jenn Lindsay coordinated session musicians, launched press and marketing campaign, booked promotional album tours, produced “album release” premier events in NYC. Co-produced and sound engineered by Major Matt Mason of Olive Juice Music Studios.
- *A For Effort*, released 6/08 by No Evil Star Records in New York City.
- *Perfect Handful*, released 8/06 by No Evil Star Records in New York City
- *Uphill Both Ways*, released 5/06 by No Evil Star Records in New York City
- *The Last New York Horn* (11/03), re-released in 2004 by Waterbug Records in Chicago
- *FIRE!* (3/03), *Gotta Lotta* (10/02), *The Story of What Works* (3/02), *Bring It On* (9/01), by No Evil Star Records in New York City

### **Compilation Album Appearances**

- *I, Even I, Will Sing*, a compilation of student musicians from Union Theological Seminary. Producer. Spring 2011.
- *SBS Records #9 Sampler*, a compilation put out by musicians Michele Malone and Amy Ray of the Indigo Girls, released nationally. September 2005
- *Marry Me*, released by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) to support GLBT couples seeking to marry, November 2004
- *Waterbug Anthology 7*, released out of Chicago by Waterbug music as an intro to the musicians affiliated with the label, July 2004
- *A Chance for Peace after 9/11*, released by Educators for Social Justice, November 2002
- *Stanford University LGBTQ-CRC Center Compilation*, September 2002
- *SUNY Binghamton: Best Bands!*, released by the SUNYB Activities Council, October 2002
- *Study Break: Best of Stanford Musicians*, released by the Stanford Activities Council, April 2002

### **Film Scoring**

- Composed scores for two ten-minute industrial films for Price Waterhouse Coopers, July 2006

### **Live Performance**

- Over 400 live stage appearances since 2002 throughout the US, Canada, the UK, Italy and Indonesia

- Three national US tours; two US West Coast tours
- Festivals, coffeehouses, opening for national acts, film appearances
- Gig archive available at [www.JennLindsay.com](http://www.JennLindsay.com)

### THEATER

#### **Plays Produced (Readings or Full Productions)**

- *After the Passion* (Musical Play, Reading/Sing-Through, May 2009 at Union Theological Seminary)
- *Becoming Anne* (Reading, December 2004 at the Yale Cabaret, Yale School of Drama)
- *Tick Tock* (October 2004 at the Stamford Center for the Performing Arts, CT)
- *The Grandmother Project* (Supported in development by a Stanford Humanities Major Grant in Playwriting)
  - August 2001 by A Traveling Jewish Theatre in San Francisco, CA
  - April 2001 at the British National Student Drama Festival
  - February 2001 with Highlighter's Theatre Troupe at Stanford University
- *The History of a Liar* (January 2001 by Ram's Head Theatrical Society at Stanford University)
- *Body of Work* (March 2001 by the Stanford Feminist Studies Program)
- *The Gala* (May 2000 at Liverpool Institute for the Performing Arts)

#### **Theatrical Producing**

- *Ophelia*, New York International Fringe Festival 2006. One-act play.
- *The Magnificent Hour*, New York International Fringe Festival 2005. Structured improvisational comedy troupe performance.

### HONORS/AWARDS

- 2015 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion: Graduate Student Travel Award; 2015 Graduate Student Research Award
- 2015 Vienna International Congress on Science and/or Religion: Merit Award for Outstanding Research
- 2015 Boston University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Summer Research Fellowship.
- 2014 Boston University Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship to support dissertation research in Rome
- 2014 Lindamood Fellowship to fund work for the BU Institute for the Biocultural Study of Religion
- 2013 (Spring) Boston University Department of Religion, Scholarly Travel Grant
- 2012 (Summer) Lemelson / Society for Psychological Anthropology Pre-Dissertation Fellowship
- 2012 (July) State of Formation / *Journal of Inter-Religious Dialogue* Outstanding Contributing Scholar
- 2012 (June) Boston University Department of Religion, Intensive Language Study Scholarship
- 2012 Auburn Theological Seminary and the American Jewish Committee Scholarship to attend the Christian-Jewish Seminarian Program on Israel and the Palestinian Territories
- 2011-2012 Tuition Fellowship from Boston University Division of Religious and Theological Studies
- 2010 World Student Christian Foundation and American Waldensian Society scholarship recipient to attend summer conference series at Agape Centro Ecumenico. Conference series: Fundamentalism in Our Era; Body Theology; and The Ethics of Work and Voluntarism. Prali, Italy. Summer 2010
- 2010 Henry Luce Foundation cultural exchange fellowship to the Indonesian Center for Religious and Cross-Cultural Studies in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, Summer 2010
- 2009 Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions Delegate Fellowship. Melbourne, Australia.
- 2008 Academic Merit Grant, Columbia University
- 2008 Joseph Hough Scholarship, Union Theological Seminary
- 2004 Third Wave Feminist Foundation Activist Scholarship
- 2001 Stanford Gay and Lesbian Alumni Fellowship
- 2001 British National Student Drama Festival: Commendations for Playwriting and Acting
- 2001 American College Theater Festival: Meritorious Contribution to Playwriting
- 2000 British National Student Drama Festival: Commendation for Excellent Drama Criticism
- 2000 Stanford University Humanities Major Grant
- 1999 Stanford University Chappell-Lougee Research Fellowship
- 1997 Robert F. Lucas International Award for Excellent Lieutenant Governorship
- 1996 National Council of Teachers of English: Excellence in Writing

## **SKILLS**

- **Academic field strengths:** Social Science of Religion, World Religions, Eastern Religions, Religious Pluralism (sociological, theological), Identity Studies, Religion and Psychology, Liberation Theology, Depth/Developmental/Cognitive Psychology, Religious Mysticism, Social Ethics, Ethnography, Anthropological Filmmaking, Italian Sociology of Religion, Italian Modern Religious History
- **Computer skills:** Microsoft Office suite (plus Publisher), Adobe Photoshop, Quickbooks, HTML code, Pilotware, Final Cut Pro, Final Draft, Motion, DVD Studio Pro, Chaverware, LiveType, Wordpress, NVivo.
- **Languages:** Strong speaking and writing skill in Italian and Spanish. Basic reading skills in Hebrew, French. Conducted fieldwork using Bahasa Indonesian and Quechua.
- **Other:** Experienced investigative interviewer in varied political and cultural contexts, strong leadership capacities, valuable team-member, excellent writing ability, dependable in high-pressure conflict scenarios, Red Cross emergency training, Lifeguard certification, athletic runner and cyclist.