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EDUCATION

- 2017 Doctor of Musical Arts (Performer-Composer), California Institute of the Arts, Valencia CA.
- 2011 Master of Music Performance (Piano & Composition), Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melbourne.
- 2007 Bachelor of Music Performance (Composition), Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melbourne.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, RESIDENCIES AND GRANTS

- 2017 Akademie Schloss Solitude Fellowship, Stuttgart.
- 2017 Cité Internationale des Arts Residency, Paris.
- 2016 Centre International des Récollets Residency, Paris.
- 2014 Herb Alpert School of Music Scholarship, California Institute of the Arts.
Creative Development Grant, Arts Victoria (Australia).
- 2013 New Work Grant, Australia Council for the Arts.
- 2012 ArtStart Career Development Grant, Australia Council for the Arts.
Creative Development Grant, Arts Victoria.
- 2010 WORM artist residency, Rotterdam.
- 2009 Elisabeth Murdoch Travel Scholarship, University of Melbourne.
- 2008 E M Cooper Travel Award, University of Melbourne.
- 2008 Dowd Foundation Scholarship, University of Melbourne.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

- 2004 – present Freelance composer-performer (worldwide).
- 2017 Instructor, undergraduate composition and lecturer, graduate Musique Concrète history, California institute of the Arts, Valencia.

- 2015-2016 Lecturer, Music Notation, Fundamental Musicianship and Undergraduate Composers' Forum, California Institute of the Arts, Valencia.
- 2014 Instructor, Undergraduate Music Theory, California Institute of the Arts, Valencia.
- 2012-2014 Lecturer and Course Coordinator, Techniques and Processes, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology School of Sound.
- 2004-2014 Piano and composition instructor (private).
- 2003 Assistant engineer, Gusto Music Studios, Melbourne.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTISTIC COMMUNITY

- 2008 – present Curator and promoter, Golden Fur Ensemble, Melbourne, San Diego and Los Angeles.
- 2018 Featured speaker, 'Engaging With Histories: An Everyday Life Practice' symposium for Arts, Business and Science, Akademie Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart.
- 2016 Featured artist, 'The Other The Self' lecture and performance series, Q-02 Workspace, Brussels.
- 2014 Artist colloquium member, *On Duration and Durability*, International Festival Of Exploratory Music, Bendigo.
- 2013 Co-organiser, 2013 Birrarung Marr Federation Bells Composition Project, City of Melbourne.
- Co-organiser, *Dis-organ-ised* commission series and performance for Melbourne Town Hall Organ, City of Melbourne.
- 2012 Visiting artist lecturer, Western Australian Academy of the Performing Arts, Perth.
- Co-organiser, 2012 Birrarung Marr Federation Bells Composition Project, City of Melbourne.
- Co-organiser, *Dis-organ-ised* commission series and performance for Melbourne Town Hall Organ, City of Melbourne.
- 2009 Grant review panel member, Arts Victoria, Melbourne.
- Visiting artist lecturer, Queensland University Of Technology, Brisbane.

SELECTED WORKS

- 2017 *Sill of the Sea* for violin, viola, cello and piano, premiered at Inland series, Melbourne.

- The Body's Night* for instruments and electronics, premiered by James Rushford, Los Angeles.
- Knots Without Measure* for ensemble, premiered by James Rushford, Eyvind Kang, Ulrich Krieger, Vicki Ray, Judith Hamann, Christine Tavolacci, Michiko Ogawa and Matt Barbier, Los Angeles.
- 2016 *Morgue Oars* for harmonium and electronics, commissioned by liquid Architecture, Melbourne.
- See The Welter* for piano, premiered by James Rushford, Los Angeles.
- 2015 *530 Versions Of Night* for contrabass ocarina, clavichord, guitar and tambourine, premiered by Michael Pisaro and Golden Fur, Los Angeles.
- 2014 *Necrology* for two amplified pianos and percussion, commissioned by Paul Grabowsky, Melbourne.
- The Fabric Of Wind* for voice and electronics, commissioned by Jessica Aszodi, San Diego.
- 2013 *Recife* for violins, percussion, and electronics, commissioned by Ensemble Offspring, Sydney.
- Egyptian Love Poem In Nihilist Cipher* for guitar, commissioned by Mauricio Carrasco, Geneva.
- Whorl Would Equal Reaches* for percussion sextet and electronics, commissioned by Adelaide Arts Festival, Adelaide.
- 2012 *Espalier* for flute, clarinet, violin, cello, percussion and electronics, commissioned by Decibel, Perth.
- Open Chain* for harpsichord, string quartet and reel-to-reel tape recorder, commissioned by Atticus, Melbourne.
- Words Halfway To Intelligence* for percussion quartet and electronics, commissioned by Aurora Festival, Sydney.
- 2011 *Wreckage* for flute, clarinet, piano, viola, cello, electric guitar and percussion, commissioned by Ensemble Neon, Oslo.
- Viper Gloss* for flute, clarinet, piano, cello and percussion, commissioned by Trilling Wire Festival, Brisbane, 2011.
- Tussilage* for viola, cello and electronics, commissioned by the Bionic Ear Institute, Melbourne, 2011.
- 2009 *You Imagined Every Encounter Was Real* for percussion trio, commissioned by Speak Percussion, Melbourne.
- Mirrors* for six voices, commissioned by The Song Company, Sydney.
- Palestra* for clarinet, cello and piano, premiered by Golden Fur, Melbourne.

- 2008 *Fur* for two chamber orchestras and electronics, commissioned by Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Melbourne.
- 2006 *Tractus* for string quartet, commissioned by Melbourne International Arts Festival, Melbourne.

SELECTED PERFORMANCES

- 2018 James Rushford and Will Guthrie, La Rade Festival, Brest.
- James Rushford and Joe Talia, Counterflow Festival, Glasgow.
- Ora Clementi, Focus GRM Festival, Paris.
- 2017 James Rushford, Send and Receive festival, Winnipeg.
- Ora Clementi, Sounds Like festival, Saskatoon.
- James Rushford, Trap, Antwerp.
- James Rushford, Café Oto, London.
- James Rushford, Volume Gallery, Los Angeles.
- James Rushford/Jean-Luc Guionnet/William Hutson, Coaxial, Los Angeles.
- 2016 James Rushford, Liquid Architecture Festival, Melbourne.
- Ora Clementi, Q-02 Festival, Brussels.
- Ora Clementi, Café Oto, London.
- 2015 Golden Fur, Tectonics Festival, Tel Aviv.
- Klaus Lang & James Rushford, Tectonics Festival, New York.
- Disappearing Musics*, with Golden Fur, Michael Pisaro, Ulrich Krieger & Mark Menzies, Monday Evening Concerts, Los Angeles.
- 2014 Graham Lambkin & James Rushford, Issue Project Room, New York.
- Knots*, with Oren Ambarchi & Krakow Sinfonietta, Tectonics Festival, New York.
- James Rushford & Joe Talia, Unsound Festival, New York.
- 2013 *Ora Clementi*, with Crys Cole, SuperDeluxe, Tokyo.
- James Rushford, Tim Olive & Crys Cole, Socrates, Kyoto.
- Knots*, with Oren Ambarchi, Only Connect Festival, Oslo.

- 2012 James Rushford & Joe Talia, Café Oto, London.
 James Rushford & Joe Talia, Centre for Contemporary Art, Warsaw.
 James Rushford & Joe Talia, Die Schachtel, Milan.
Hardcore On The Fly, with Australian Art Orchestra, Melbourne.
 Judith Hamann & James Rushford, Logos Foundation, Ghent.
 Judith Hamann & James Rushford, Ausland, Berlin.
- 2011 James Rushford & Joe Talia, Liquid Architecture Festival, Melbourne.
 Judith Hamann, Alex Garsden & James Rushford, Now Now Festival, Sydney.
 Oscar Noriega, Scott Tinkler & James Rushford, Melbourne International Jazz Festival, Melbourne.
- 2010 Golden Fur Ensemble, STEIM, Amsterdam.
 James Rushford & Joe Talia, Instants Chavires, Paris.
 Golden Fur Ensemble, Cave 12, Geneva.
Un-Australian String Quartet, with Jon Rose, What Is Music Festival, Melbourne.
- 2008 *21:100:100*, with Oren Ambarchi & Marco Fusinato & Robin Fox, Melbourne International Arts Festival.

PUBLISHED RECORDINGS

- 2018 *The Body's Night*, Black Truffle, Melbourne (forthcoming).
Glossator, with Arek Gulbenkoglou, Erstwhile, New York (forthcoming).
Commissioned Works (2008-2011), with Golden Fur, Bocian, Warsaw.
- 2015 *Pale Calling* with Oren Ambarchi and Kassel Jaeger, Black Truffle, Melbourne.
- 2014 *Food Court*, with Joe Talia and Francis Plagne, KYE, New York.
Cover You Will Softer Me, with Crys Cole, Penultimate Press, London.
- 2013 *Manhunter*, with Joe Talia, KYE, New York.
- 2012 *Wreckage*, with Oren Ambarchi, Prisma, Oslo.
Sagittarian Domain by Oren Ambarchi, arr. James Rushford, Editions Mego, Vienna.

- 2011 *Paper Fault Line*, with Joe Talia and Anthony Pateras, Bocian, Warsaw.
Audience of One by Oren Ambarchi, arr. James Rushford, Touch, London.
- 2009 *Palisades*, with Joe Talia, Sabbatical, Melbourne.
- 2008 *Vellus*, Cajid Media, Bendigo.

SELECTED WRITINGS

- 2018 “Musical Silhouette in the music of Graham Lambkin”, *Blank Forms Magazine*, New York (forthcoming).
- “Musical Silhouette: resemblance, trace, occlusion, self-portraiture”, *Aesthetic Inquiries 3*, Evental Aesthetics Journal, Bermuda.
- 2017 “Castings of the Musical Shadow”, Doctor of Musical Arts dissertation, California Institute of the Arts.
- 2014 “Uttered Shadows: performative and material liminality in Robert Ashley’s *Automatic Writing* and Gerhard Rühm’s *Pencil Music*”. Doctor of Musical Arts coursework, California Institute of the Arts.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 2009 – present Australian Performing Rights Association.
- 2005 – present Australian Music Centre.
- 2014-2017 American Composer’s League.
- 2004 – 2007 Victorian Music Teachers’ Association (Australia).