# CLARA COLOMBATTO

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### **EDUCATION**

2015-present Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D. in Cognitive Psychology

Advisor: Brian Scholl

2011-15 **Duke University**, Durham, NC

*B.A.* in Philosophy *B.S.* in Neuroscience

Magna cum laude, with High Distinction

Advisors: Scott Huettel & Walter Sinnott-Armstrong

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

2019	Student Travel Award Object Perception, Attention, and Memory Conference
2019	Computational Summer School Fellowship Methods in Neuroscience at Dartmouth
2019	Student Travel Award Vision Sciences Society
2016	Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience Fellowship Kavli Foundation
2016	Phi Beta Kappa Duke University
2014	Neuroscience Program of Research Fellowship Duke University
2013	Bass Connections Scholarship Duke University

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**Colombatto, C.**, Chen, Y. -C., & Scholl, B. J. (in press). Gaze deflection reveals how gaze cueing is tuned to extract the mind behind the eyes. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

**Colombatto, C.,** van Buren, B., & Scholl, B. J. (2020). Gazing without eyes: A 'stare-in-the-crowd' induced by simple geometric shapes. *Perception*, 49, 782-792.

**Colombatto, C.,** van Buren, B., & Scholl, B. J. (2019). Intentionally distracting: Working memory is disrupted by the perception of other agents attending to you -- even without eye-gaze cues. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 26, 951-957.

Chen, Y.-C., **Colombatto, C.**, & Scholl, B. J. (2018). Looking into the future: An inward bias in aesthetic experience driven only by gaze cues. *Cognition*, *176*, 209-214.

**Colombatto, C.**, & McCarthy, G. (2017). The effects of face inversion and face race on the P100 ERP. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 29, 664-676.

#### **MANUSCRIPTS**

**Colombatto, C.**, Uddenberg, S., & Scholl, B. J. (under revision). The efficiency of demography in face perception.

**Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (under review). Unconscious pupillometry: An effect of 'attentional contagion' in the absence of visual awareness.

**Colombatto, C.**, Crockett, M. J., & Scholl, B. J. (in preparation). 'Perceptual ageism': Distinct trajectories of first impressions from faces across their lifespan.

**Colombatto, C.,** van Buren, B., & Scholl, B. J. (in preparation). Hidden intentions: Objects directed at you gain preferential access to visual awareness.

#### **INVITED TALKS**

2020	Perception and Mind Laboratory Johns Hopkins University
2018	Current Works in Cognitive Psychology Yale University
2017	Developmental Psychology

2017	Current Works in Cognitive Developmental Psychology Yale University
2017	Current Works in Clinical Neuroscience Yale University
2016	Department of Psychology Yale University
2014	NeuroHumanities Studies Dialogues Università degli Studi di Catania

University of New Haven

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (2020). Eyes vs. minds: A Janus-like manipulation reveals that perceived intentionality boosts gaze cueing. Poster accepted at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL.

**Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (2019). Unconscious attentional contagion: Faster breakthrough into awareness for faces with dilated pupils. Poster presented at the *Object Perception, Attention, and Memory,* Montréal, Québec, CA.

**Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (2019). Unconscious pupillometry: Faces with dilated pupils gain

preferential access to visual awareness. Poster presented at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL. [Abstract published in *Journal of Vision*, 19(10), 218, https://arvojournals.org/article.aspx?articleid=2750796.]

Uddenberg, S., **Colombatto**, **C.**, & Scholl, B. J. (2019). The speed of demography in face perception. Poster presented at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL. [Abstract published in *Journal of Vision*, 19(10), 229d,

https://arvojournals.org/article.aspx?articleid=2750849.]

**Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (2018). Illusions of morality: Visual impressions of causality override over judgment in moral decision making. Talk presented at the *European Conference on Visual Perception*, Trieste, Italy.

Chen, Y.-C., **Colombatto, C.,** & Scholl, B. J. (2018). Looking into the future: An inward bias in aesthetic experience driven only by gaze cues). Poster presented at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL. [Abstract published in *Journal of Vision*, 18(10), 1333, http://jov.arvojournals.org/article.aspx?articleid=2700313.]

Colombatto, C., Chen, Y.-C., & Scholl, B. J. (2018). Gaze cueing is tuned to extract the

mind behind the gaze: Investigations of 'gaze deflection'. Talk presented at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL. [Abstract published in *Journal of Vision*, 18(10), 197, http://jov.arvojournals.org/article.aspx?articleid=2699191.]

**Colombatto, C.,** Chen, Y. -C., & Scholl, B. J. (2017). Gaze cueing is tuned to extract the mind behind the gaze: Investigations of 'gaze deflection'. Poster presented at the *European Conference on Visual Perception*, Berlin, Germany.

**Colombatto, C.,** van Buren, B., & Scholl, B. J. (2017). 'Mind contact': Might eye-gaze effects actually reflect more general phenomena of perceived attention and intention? Poster presented at the *Vision Sciences Society*, St. Pete Beach, FL. [Abstract published in *Journal of Vision*, 17(10), 60, http://jov.arvojournals.org/article.aspx?articleid=2650946.]

**Colombatto, C.,** McCarthy, G. (2017). Face processing at 100 ms: the effects of race and configuration. Poster presented at the *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, San Francisco, CA.

**Colombatto, C.** (2014). I'll do what you think we should do: Pronouns and the construction of the tutoring community. Talk presented at the *Southeastern Writing Center Association*, Greenville, NC.

Russell, V. and **Colombatto**, **C.** (2013). We deliver!: The multi-modal medium is the message. Talk presented at the *Southeastern Writing Center Association*, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### Yale University:

2018	Teaching Fellow, Decision-Making (Dave Rand)
2017	Teaching Fellow, Cognitive Neuroscience (Steve Chang)
2017	Teaching Fellow, Social Psychology (John Bargh)
2016	Teaching Fellow, Intro to Cognitive Science (Brian Scholl)
2016-2018	Writing Fellow, Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning

#### **Duke University:**

2015	Teaching Assistant, Calculus and Functions II (Lewis Blake)
2015	Teaching Assistant, Calculus and Functions II (Emily Braley)
2014	Teaching Assistant, Calculus and Functions I (Rann Bar-On)
2014	Teaching Assistant, Writing Literacy (Prof. Vicki Russell)
2013	Teaching Assistant, Freshmen Writing (Jesse Summers)
2013	Teaching Assistant, Freshmen Writing (Lindsay Smith)
2012	Peer Tutor, Academic Resource Center

## STUDENTS SUPERVISED

2019-20	Joanna Zukin, Yale College '21
2019-20	Conor Downey, Yale College '21
2019-20	Rui Zhe Goh, Yale-NUS College '20
2018-19	Lan Luo, Yale College '20
2018-19	Daniel Do, Yale College '19
2015-16	Audrey Luo, Yale College '17

## **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

2015	Research Assistant, P.I.: Marty G. Woldorff, Duke University
2014-15	Lab Manager, P.I.: Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, Duke University
2013-15	Research Assistant, P.I.: Steven Mitroff, Duke University
2013-15	Student Blogger, Duke Research Blog, Duke University
2013-15	Executive Publishing Editor, Neurogenesis Journal, Duke University
2013-14	Research Assistant, P.I.: Gregory Appelbaum, Duke University
2012	Foreign Affairs desk Intern, La Stampa