# Mariam Darchiashvili

#### **Graphic Designer and Curator**

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### **ABOUT**

A Georgian graphic designer and curator, based in Europe, with interest in typography, editorial design, exhibition design and curation. My work, across different fields, is guided by a strong belief in design and art as problemsolving tools, as a way of recognizing and forming relationships between ideas and reality as well as establishing connections between past and the present.

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### **EDUCATION**

IESA - Ecole Marche de l'art et Metiers de la Culture

MBA, Arts & Cultural Management

**PSB - Paris School of Business** MSc, Arts & Cultural Management

**KABK - Royal Academy of Art** 

BA, Graphic Design

**British Higher School of Art and Design** 

Pre-foundation, Art&Design

Paris, FR October 2021

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The Hague, NL July 2019

Moscow, RU May 2014

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Freelance Graphic Designer** /Komnen

- Specialise in and provide services in art direction, concept development, visual identity and research design as well as creative writing. Portfolio link available above;

- Selected clients: Kolhideli Group, GD Holding, Royal Academy of Art (KABK), Sfera Education, Grove Design Hotel, Chelsey Honders and Ksenia Kohan.

# **Graphic Design Intern**

/S†efan Schafer Design & Research Studio

- Assisted in design and research of the supporting visual and textual content for the ongoing projects at Cinekid Festival (Amsterdam, NL) and Dutch Design Week (Eindhoven, NL);
- Assisted at the meetings with clients and contractors;
- Conducted preliminary research and translated (Russian to English) supporting materials for the new upcoming project - "Khlebnikov Book".

### Amsterdam, NL July 2018 - Present

Amsterdam, NL Sept 2018 - Nov 2018

# **PROJECT & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

# **Amnesty International**

- Researched the selected Amnesty International case for the 50th Year Anniversary of the organisation at the Amsterdam Theatre:
- Conducted research interviews with individuals related to the case of Raif Badawi;
- Created an art installation for the show, visually translating research results into an interactive artwork. (For more details please refer to my website)

# Amsterdam, NL

**April 2018** 

### Kunstmuseum Den Haag

- Curated, designed and organised an exhibition "Balance by Struggle" as a part of the yearlong celebration of the 100-year Anniversary of the "De Stijl" movement in Holland in 2017;
- Along with two other team members, took part in concept development, production of artworks, budgeting, transportation and marketing stages of the process.

The Hague, NL September 2017

## **SKILLS**

# Languages:

- Georgian [Native]
- English [C2]

■ Russian [C2] ■ French [B1-B2]

# Fluent in use of Adobe software; Proficient in type

Design skills:

design and calligraphy, fluent in use of Glyphs; Intermediate use of HTML and CSS programming languages; Familiar with Riso printing, silkscreen printing and letterpress. Basic knowledge of 3D software such as Unity and Blender.

#### Soft and academic skills:

- Honesty.
- Strong creative writing and research skills; Sharp concept development ability.
- Fluent communicative and organisational skills; Profound capacity for collaboration, team leading and critical reflection.