

## LISA BEYELER-YVARRA

Abridged Curriculum Vitae

### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. School of Architecture & the Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, 2026  
Dissertation: *New Dispensations: Catholic Property, Global Capital, and the Making of the Transpacific*  
Committee: Keller Easterling, Kathryn Lofton, Joan Ockman, Sally Promey
- M.Phil. School of Architecture & the Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, 2024
- M.A. School of Architecture & the Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, 2024
- Th.M. Duke University, 2020, *summa cum laude*
- B.L.A. Department of Landscape Architecture, University of Washington, 2006

### SELECT PUBLICATIONS

#### Refereed Book Chapters

- 2026 “Kitchencraft: Yuri Kochiyama and the Politics of the Kitchen Table,” *Enduring Objects: Legacies of World War Two in Japanese American Art, Architecture, and Design*, ed. Kelly Van Dyck Murphy and Heidi Kolk. London: Bloomsbury Academic, in press.

#### Non-Refereed Book Chapters

- 2024 “Architecting Friendship: A Spatial Commemoration of Yuri Kochiyama and El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz/Malcolm X,” (expanded version) with Denise Lim. *Mapping Malcolm*, ed. Najha Zigby-Johnson. New York: Columbia University Press, 2024.

#### Non-Refereed Journal Articles

- 2025 “The Shelf Life of Maritime Futures,” *Paprika!* “Best Before,” Volume 13, Issue 7, December.
- 2023 “Architecting Friendship: A Spatial Commemoration of Yuri Kochiyama and El-Hajj Malik El Shabazz/Malcolm X,” with Denise Lim. *Asian Diasporic Visual Cultures and the Americas*, Volume 8, Issue 1-2 (2022), May.

#### Book Reviews

- 2025 Review of *Trust Matters: Parsi Endowments in Mumbai and the Horoscope of a City* by Leilah Vevaina (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2023) in *Reading Religion*.
- 2019 Review of *ChurchScape: Megachurches and the Iconography of the Environment* by Susan Power Bratton (Waco: Baylor University Press, 2018) in *Reading Religion*.

### SELECT FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2026-27 Rome Prize, East-West Intersections, American Academy in Rome
- 2026 James C. Brady Fellowship, Yale University

- 2025-26 Racisms and Colonialisms in the Longue Durée Fellow, Yale University and University College London
- 2026, 2025 Beck Memorial Graduate Student Fellowship, Society of Architectural Historians
- 2025 John F. Enders Fellowship, Yale University
- 2025 Graduate Fellow Special Research Grant, Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration
- 2024 International Conference Travel Fellowship, Society of Architectural Historians
- 2023-24 MacMillan Center International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Yale University
- 2023 MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, Yale University
- 2022 Mellon Pedagogy Fellowship, Yale University and Stanford University, Centering Race Consortium
- 2022 Richard U. Light Fellowship, Yale University
- 2021 Gill Family Foundation Conference Grant, Society of Architectural Historians
- 2020-21 Graduate Fellow, Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration
- 2020-21 John H. Hord Memorial Scholarship, Yale University
- 2019 Franklin Humanities Institute Grant, Duke University
- 2015-17 Benjamin N. Duke Scholarship Endowment Fund, Duke University

## **SELECT CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

### **Panels Organized**

- 2026 “A/Im/Moral Geographies,” with Nicole Carroll, American Academy of Religion, Denver, CO, scheduled November.
- 2026 “Reading Covert Landscapes,” Graduate Student Lightning Talks, Society of Architectural Historians, Mexico City, Mexico, April 17.
- 2025 “Chapels: The Politics and Practices of Small Spaces,” with Alexander Luckmann, American Academy of Religion, Boston, MA, November 23.
- 2025 “Chapels: A Typology Transformed,” with Alexander Luckmann, Society of Architectural Historians, online, September 19.
- 2024 “Clearing: Afterlives of Spatialized Violence,” with Ariyanne Colston, Rebecca Potts, and Sally Promey, American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA, November 25.
- 2024 “Architecture in Motion,” Graduate Student Lightning Talks, Society of Architectural Historians, Albuquerque, NM, April 19.
- 2023 “Architectural Infrastructures,” with Rebecca Potts, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 19.

**Papers**

- 2026 “Resurfacing the Sacred: The Architecture of Debt in Guåhan-Guam,” Surfacing: Cambridge Talks, Harvard Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, April 24.
- 2026 “Extractive Piety: Religious Tourism and the Siphoning of Petro-Wealth in Timor-Leste,” Unearthing the Earth: Architectural Histories of Extractivism, History of Architecture and Urbanism Society, Cornell University, March 27.
- 2026 “On Shell Games: Timor-Leste at the Center and Periphery of Catholic Capital,” Critical Knowledge Generations Conference, Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration, New Haven, CT, February 13.
- 2026 “Parish/Zone: Segregation by Church and State in Chicago,” American Society of Church History, Chicago, IL, January 9.
- 2025 “Faith, Power, and Displacement: The Catholic Church and Urban Transformation in Timor-Leste,” American Academy of Religion, Boston, MA, November 24.
- 2025 “Temples in the Transpacific: LDS Prefabrication in the Age of the Climate Crisis,” American Academy of Religion, Boston, MA, November 23.
- 2025 “Conversion Networks: Religio-Economic Architectures of the Banco Español Filipino and Monte de Piedad,” Society of Architectural Historians, Atlanta, GA, May 2.
- 2025 “Traffics in Catholic Money: Religious Infrastructures of Property at Ninoy Aquino International Airport,” Traffic Doctoral Symposium, School of Architecture, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, April 4.
- 2024 “Temples in the ‘Isles of the Sea,’” Center of Religion and Cities, Morgan State University, online, September 26.
- 2024 “Heavenly Containers: LDS Modular Temples within Maritime Transport Infrastructures,” Religion on the Move Conference, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA May 9.
- 2024 “On LDS Temples, the Transpacific, and Territorial Expansionism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 19.
- 2023 “Activism at the Table: Yuri Kochiyama, William Lescaze, and the Manhattanville Houses,” Moonscape of the Mind: Japanese American Design After Internment Symposium, Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts and the College of Architecture, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, April 14.
- 2022 “Speculative Methodologies and Asian American Built Environments,” College Art Association, online, February 19.
- 2021 “Zones of Exclusion: The Spatial Formation of the Archdiocese of Chicago and New Orleans,” American Academy of Religion, online, November 22.
- 2021 “Global Networks of Enclosure: Port Cities and the Nagasaki *Burakumin* Ghetto,” American Academy of Religion, online, November 20.

- 2021 “Spatial Dispositions of Property in the Archdiocese of Chicago,” Religion and American Excess Conference, Yale University, online, April 9.
- 2019 “Urakami-cho: Recovering the Story of the Nagasaki Ghetto,” Academy of Global Humanities and Critical Theory Summer School Conference, University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, July 4.

### **Conferences Organized**

- 2025 “Speculative Spaces: Representing Global Architectural Histories,” lead organizer with Jacquelyn Sawyer, Society of Architectural Historians and the Global Architectural Teaching Collaborative, online, May 22-23. Keynotes by Celina Abba (Forensic Architecture), Léopold Lambert (*The Funambulist*), Tao Leigh Goffe, and Curry Hackett.
- 2022 “(Re)Thinking Landscape: Ways of Being, Ways of Knowing,” with Siobhan Angus, Abigail Fields, Nomvuyo Horwitz, Elizabeth Keto, Lydia Tuan, and Royce Young Wolf, Yale University, New Haven, CT, September 29-October 1. Keynotes by Nick Estes and Tiffany Lethabo King.

### **SELECT TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Yale University, Teaching Assistant**

Architecture and Modernity: Sites and Spaces, Professor Eeva-Liisa Pelkonen (spring 2026)  
How to Build an American Religion, Professor Kathryn Lofton (fall 2025)  
Introduction to Urban Studies, Professor Ana María Durán Calisto (spring 2025)  
Race and Religion, Professor Todne Thomas (fall 2023)  
History of Modern Christianity: American Encounters, Postmodern Transformations, Professors Tisa Wenger and Erika Helgen (spring 2023)  
History of Architecture to 1750, Professor Kyle Dugdale (fall 2022)

### **SELECT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

#### **To University**

Graduate Student Committee Member, Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, 2023-24  
Student Representative, Committee for Faculty Searches, Duke University, 2019

#### **To Profession**

Committee Member, Religion and Cities Unit, American Academy of Religion, 2023-present  
Member, Graduate Student Advisory Committee, Society of Architectural Historians, 2023-2026  
Professional Mentor, College of Built Environments, University of Washington, 2013-15, 2022-present

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Academy of Religion, College Art Association, Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Society, Society of Architectural Historians