

Innovative J-Term Returns to OpenGrounds



For the second year OpenGrounds sponsored a J-Term class on the near future of artificial intelligence. Students from across the university explored the potential of bots and related AI-based emerging technologies to transform user experience. The class involved faculty from several schools, designers and experts from WillowTree and their industry partners to engage in an immersive dive.

Video: AI Design Challenge: The Rise of Bots, J-Term 2017

OpenGrounds Welcomes Pan Institute Staff to Its Space

OpenGrounds and the [Office of the Vice President for Research](#) are pleased to announce the addition of four new Pan Institute staff. This spring, OpenGrounds will become the official work hub of the Pan Institutes' team. We look forward to a rich partnership supporting cross-disciplinary research at UVA.

Meet Jonah Fogel, Program Manager, Environmental Resilience Institute



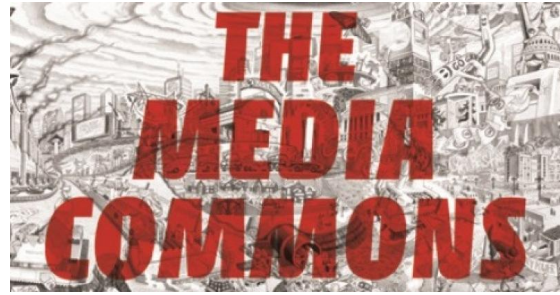
Jonah comes to UVA with a diverse academic background - Ph.D. in Natural Resources and Environmental Policy, Masters of Landscape Architecture, and B.S. in Hydrogeology. Prior to coming to UVA, He served as the Director of Virginia Tech's Land Use Education Program (LUEP). Jonah also held an adjunct professorship with Virginia Tech's Center for Public Administration and Policy (CPAP) where he taught graduate classes, including: Research Methods, and Systems Skills for Managers, and Policy Process. In his role as LUEP Director, Jonah provided instruction to local elected and appointed officials on land use planning administration, and managed the education program, bringing new resources to the effort.

Lecture: Patrick D. Murphy

Friday, February 16, 12 noon

Join Murphy, author of *The Media Commons: Globalization and Environmental Discourses* for the first event in the Parker Lee Lecture Series, presented by UVA Media Studies. Lunch provided.

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Improv Comedy: Amuse Bouche

Saturday, February 17, 7 pm

Come out for a fun night full of laughs and games as the Amuse Bouche troupe performs their first show of the semester, *Hamburger Hinderer*. Make sure not to bring any hamburgers or people from Hamburg, because they WILL be hindered.

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Screening: Kinesthetic Montage

Wednesday, February 21, 5 pm

View 13 poetic films made by UVA students after a one-week immersion into Hong Kong's unique cityscapes. Part of the exhibition *Kinesthetic Montage Hong Kong* at the Elmaleh Gallery, School of Architecture (until March 16).

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ARTech Exhibition

Monday, February 26-Monday, March, 26

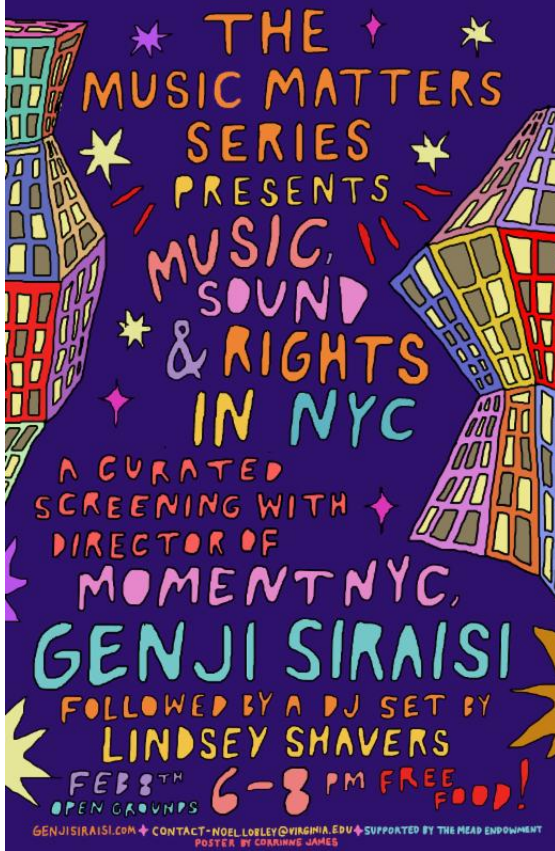
Opening: Monday, February 26, 6-8 pm

Bring your phone to connect with an array of artworks by local and student artists. Presented by [Devhub](#), a creative, tech community at UVA.

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OpenGrounds Spotlight



OpenGrounds recently hosted UVA Department of Music's event, *Music, Sound and Rights in NYC*, a curated screening and conversation with Grammy-nominated musician and Director of MOMENT NYC, Genji Siraisi. Siraisi shared clips and stories showcasing the diversity of music making in New York City and 2nd year, Lindsey Shavers, closed the night with an amazing DJ set.

OpenGrounds Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9 am -11 pm

Friday: 9 am-6 pm

Saturday & Sunday: noon-5 pm

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