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ABOUT JEAN MARIE

Jean Marie Casbarian has been a practicing interdisciplinary artist since the early 1980s and a dedicated visual arts educator in a variety of academic and creative settings. She has taught at The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Hampshire College, Transart Institute for Creative Research, and the International Center of Photography. Throughout her career, she has worked closely with undergraduate and MFA students and has advised Ph.D. candidates at Transart Institute.

In addition to her institutional teaching, Casbarian has mentored MFA students at the Massachusetts College of Art and Design and the New England College of Art. She also maintains a private teaching and mentoring practice, guiding artists from around the world and across a broad range of disciplines.

Her MFA education and teaching philosophy were deeply influenced by The Milton Avery Graduate School of the Arts at Bard College. She is a strong advocate for an integrative approach to creative thinking, encouraging artists to embrace interdisciplinary exploration and develop innovative, meaningful artistic practices.