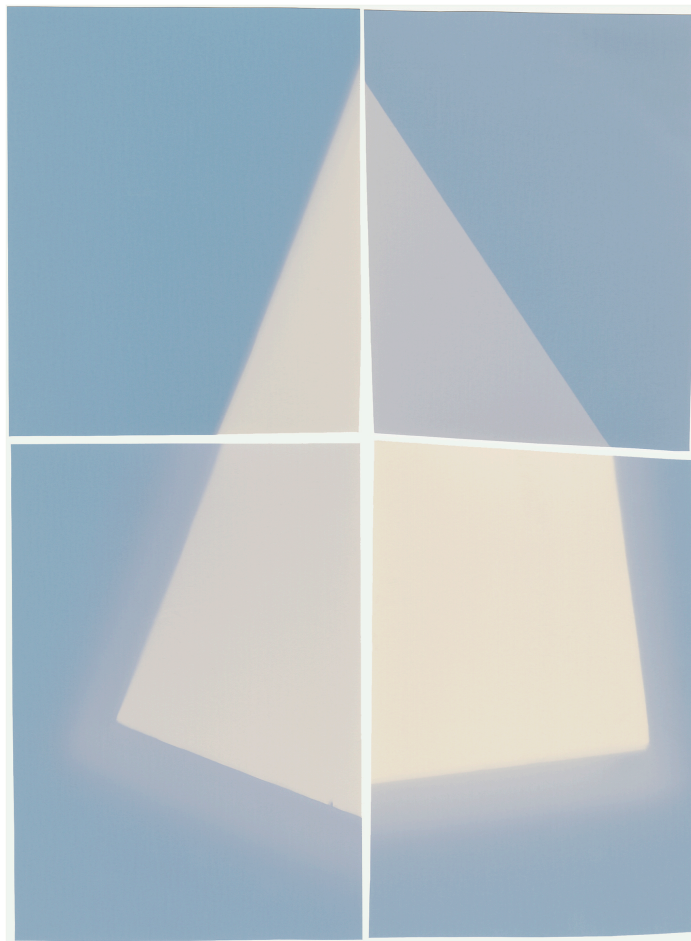


HOUSTON (APRIL 26, 2022) — Foto Relevance is pleased to present *Lumen Notebook*, the gallery's debut solo exhibition of works by Amanda Marchand. Using ideas inherent in the temporality of the lumen printing process, Marchand explores concepts of landscape, time, and our mortal planet. The cameraless photographic process of creating lumens is beautiful in its simplicity, as colors and shapes are created by exposing black and white photo paper to light, bringing out the latent color in the paper. As it develops, the ephemeral changing colors of the lumen serve as a visual marker for the passage of time, captured with a scanner and held in perpetuity by the artist in a way that merges early photographic processes with new technology. Cutting and rearranging, Marchand creates compositions of color referencing the natural landscape - the horizon, the movement of the sun, the growth and decay of vegetation, as well as cataloging endangered and disappearing species of flora and fauna. Marchand's prints function as a visual correspondence with nature, as well as a catalog of time and place. Bringing together several bodies of Marchand's work, the show is a testament to the changing environment around us, reminding us of the ebb and flow of time and our own place within nature. *Lumen Notebook* will be on view at Foto Relevance from May 14th through July 9th, 2022.



Amanda Marchand, *Northern Goshawk (child) (1st Generation)*
(Ilford MG V RC Deluxe), 2020

ABOUT THE ARTIST:

Amanda Marchand is a Canadian, New York-based photographer. Her work explores the human condition through the poetics of landscape with an experimental approach to photography.

Marchand's monographs, *Nothing Will Ever be the Same Again* (2019), and *Night Garden* (2015) were published by Datz Press. She has also published the following artist books: *The World is Astonishing with You in it: A 21st Century Field Guide to the Birds, Ferns and Wildflowers* (2021); *The Book of Hours* (2018); *Because the Sky* (2017). Her series 415/514 was published by Edition One Studios (2009). A permanent installation of her work is on view at the MUHC Glen Hospital in Montreal.

Marchand has received awards and recognitions at PX3 Prix de la Photographie Paris 2020; BarTur Photography Award, 2020; the International LensCulture Art Awards 2019; GoggleWorks 2018 Juried Competition; CENTER's Choice Awards 2015; C4FAP "Center Forward 2015"; grants from the Quebec Council of Arts and Letters; Doggone Foundation; and the San Francisco Art Institute Graduate Fellowship Award. Marchand is a MacDowell Colony and Headlands Center for the Arts Fellow. She has also attended residencies at the Hermitage Artist Retreat, the Studios at MASS MoCA, Datz Museum, The Bakery Photo Collective, Hewnoaks Artist Colony, and Arteles Creative Center (Finland).

Her work has been exhibited in solo and group shows internationally. Marchand is the author of the book of fiction, *without cease the earth faintly trembles* (DC Books, 2003) awarded "Critic's Pick" by NOW Magazine. She holds an MFA from the San Francisco Art Institute.

ABOUT FOTO RELEVANCE:

Since 2016, Foto Relevance cofounders Geoffrey C. Koslov and Bryn Larsen have focused on the exhibition and acquisition of museum-quality, contemporary fine art photography and photography-based work. Foto Relevance is dedicated to providing a platform for an innovative selection of American and international photographic artists pushing the boundaries of photography. In addition to promoting the work of artists, Foto Relevance provides guidance, educating individual collectors and corporations in the acquisition and sale of art. Foto Relevance is a member of the Houston Art Gallery Association (HAGA). The gallery is located in the historic Museum District in Houston, Texas in close proximity to the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, the Menil Collection, and the Houston Center for Photography.

Foto Relevance is currently open for walk-in hours Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11 am - 5 pm, or by appointment. This is subject to change as we stay current with local COVID-related advisories. Please call (713) 505-1499 or email info@fotorelevance.com for press and other inquiries.