# LAL KOSEMATOGLU

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#### **EDUCATION**

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

May 2023

B.A. in Classics with a Minor in Creative Writing

• Concentration in Classical Civilizations/Roman Architecture

### New York School of Interior Design, New York, NY

May 2028

Master of Fine Arts in Interior Design

#### SELECT WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Graduate Assistant, New York School of Interior Design, New York, NY

Sept. 2025-Present

- Helps students conduct research, and procures academic resources for research purposes...
- Assists with archival work and general library operations. Catalogues and stores materials from the NYSID archives.

## Assistant, MERVE KOSEMATOGLU INTERIORS, Remote, Turkiye

Jun. 2024-Sept 2025

- Assisted with concept creation, provided administrative support, and researched design trends for clients
- Created mood boards, presentations, floor plans, and CAD drawings for projects

#### Seasonal Showroom Assistant, The Aubrey Company, New York, NY

September 2024-October 2024/Seasonal

- Oversaw showroom organization and maintenance and provided merchandising support for the showroom and the seasonal trade show.
- Assisted with the Épice Paris booth merchandising, design, and sales at the Designers and Agents Trade Show

### Literary Intern, Zeitgeist Agency, Remote, NY

Jan. 2024-Apr. 2024

- Represented Zeitgeist Agency at the London Book Fair at the International Rights Centre
- Participated in the sales pitches for the agency catalog
- Reviewed unpublished manuscripts and provided an initial round of editing for content and structure

#### Columnist, The Cornell Daily Sun, Ithaca, NY

Sep. 2022-May 2023

- Wrote a bi-weekly column for the Arts and Culture section of the daily campus newsletter
- Drew attention to the Turkiye earthquake and the performative activism issue among Cornell students by writing a featured article

## Digital Archiving Intern, American Academy in Rome, Rome, Italy

Jan. 2022-May 2022

- Optimized digital catalog systems to incorporate old catalogs and new acquisitions and checked physical object placements with the digital artifact database
- Digitally cataloged and archived ancient artifacts and art, particularly Greek vases, fragments, and coins

#### ON CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

#### External Outreach, Smart Is Strong Foundation, Ithaca, NY

Sep. 2020-June 2023

- Collaborated with local organizations and high schools to prepare mentorship programs for young women to feature at the annual Women's Day conference
- Identified and coordinated with sponsors and speakers to organize educational events aimed at empowering young women.

#### Founder, Treasurer, Photographer, Cornell Chromatic, Ithaca, NY

Sep.2022-June 2023

- Oversaw funding and budgeting for photoshoots, portraits, and member events
- Arranged styling and photoshoots and provided mentorship for new, inexperienced members

## Stylist, Photographer, Thread Magazine, Ithaca, NY

Jan. 2020-June 2023

- Sourced clothing locally and styled models for photoshoots to be featured in the Thread publication
- Participated in the shoots as a photographer and edited the spreads using Adobe Creative Cloud applications

#### **SKILLS AND HOBBIES**

**Languages:** Turkish (Native), French (DELF B2 certified), Mandarin Chinese (limited working proficiency), Ancient Greek (Professional Working Fluency)

**Skills:** Data Management, Microsoft Suite, AutoCAD, DepthmapX Spatial Analysis, Excel, Project Management and Organization, Adobe Creative Cloud, Photoshop

Interests: Art Theft Documentaries, Ballet, Travel Journaling, Antique Bazaars in Turkiye, Film Photography, Cooking and Crochet