

MONARCH — Film & Photography Project by Desiree Dolron

Internship Call — Research & Translation Assistant

We are looking for a motivated intern or research assistant to join the interdisciplinary film and photography project MONARCH, an ongoing artistic and ecological investigation into the migration of the monarch butterfly and its relationship to landscape, memory, ritual, perception, and indigenous knowledge systems.

Part of the project is developed in dialogue with Mazahua communities in Mexico. An important aspect of the work involves previously recorded interviews and oral histories shared by members of these communities. We are therefore looking for someone who can support the project through translation, transcription, research, and the careful handling and structuring of oral narratives and interview material.

This is not a conventional production internship. The position is intended for someone interested in the intersection of:

- film and visual culture
- anthropology and storytelling
- ecology and migration
- oral history and archives
- language, translation, and cultural context
- indigenous knowledge systems
- decolonial or interdisciplinary research practices

Tasks may include:

- Transcribing interviews and conversations
- Assisting with Spanish ↔ English translations
- Supporting the organization of oral histories and research materials
- Helping structure and archive audiovisual material
- Conducting contextual or cultural research
- Assisting with subtitles and interview preparation
- Supporting communication with collaborators and partners

Profile

- has strong writing and organizational skills
- speaks English fluently

- speaks Spanish fluently
- works carefully and sensitively with personal stories and cultural material
- is independent, curious, and detail-oriented
- has an interest in documentary film, photography, anthropology, visual culture, ecology, or related fields

About MONARCH

MONARCH is an interdisciplinary long-term project combining film, photography, sound, research, and installation. The work follows the migration route of the monarch butterfly across North America and explores how ecological systems, sensory perception, scientific research, and cultural narratives intersect.

The project is developed in dialogue with scientists, local communities, and environmental researchers across Mexico, the United States, Canada, and Europe.

Practical

- Duration: approximately 2–3 months
- Start date: as soon as possible
- Location: primarily on-site at Raven Studio Amsterdam (Haarlemmerweg 201H, Amsterdam), with some flexibility for partial remote work where appropriate
- Language: English / Spanish
- Compensation: to be discussed depending on format and funding structure

To apply, please send a short motivation, CV, and — if relevant — examples of previous work or research interests to: info@liminalfoundation.nl

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