

call for submissions

# pica

Pica is a student-run project that celebrates the vitality of UQAM's artistic community and encourages multidisciplinary collaborations. It's aim is to promote the development of local talent and connect with an international audience with educative talks, workshops and an annual publication. Pica is a playground where boundaries are pushed and errors are encouraged.

By focusing on an innovative and experimental approach, Pica is above all a reference tool and a source of inspiration for design. Pica distinguishes itself from other publications offered on the market by an entirely new and exclusive content.

#### a. Magazine

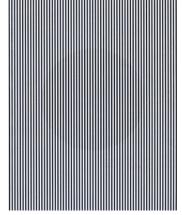
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1p0 - typography



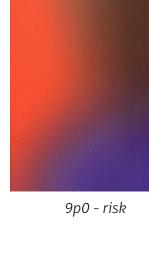
3p0 - process



5p0 - perception



7p0 - game





2p0 - transformation



4p0 - space

6p0 - language



8p0 - form

## Awards and Reputation

awarded with the Grand Prix étudiant Grafika field due to the important place occupied by its (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014). Due to the alumni in the industry's more prominent agencies. magazine's quality and because it offers a unique opportunity for young designers from the UQAM School of Design, Pica magazine was a finalist at locally and internationally (Print, Type Director Forces Avenir 2011.

Several renowned creatives participated in the project, such as such as deValence (France), Denis Dulude, Damien Poulain (Great Britain), the FEED studio, Alfred Halasa and Koen De Winter (both professors at the Ecole de design de l'UQAM) and Jean-François Porchez (France).

For five consecutive years, Pica Magazine was Locally, the UQAM School of Design dominates the

The institution now enjoys recognition both Club, Lux, Chaumont, Warsaw Poster Biennial, Communication Arts, Grafika, Applied Arts, Young Package, etc.).

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## Exploration

Exploration is the foundation of learning. To explore is to take a journey into areas known or unknown without knowing exactly where such a path may lead. We have the ability to utilize all of our senses in order to launch ourselves into this process of self-refinement, a phase of creation, which lends itself to endless possibilities. An immeasurable number of avenues now enable us to exponentially expand our ability to explore. Now more than ever, the means we have at our disposal offer us a wide range of possibilities extending from the traditional to more contemporary prospects.

In creation, exploration progresses through a number of routes and paths that often intersect and intermingle. We observe, contemplate, document, analyze and experiment.

For its tenth anniversary, Pica Magazine returns to its roots and reexamines its previous topics: typography, transformation, process, space, perception, language, game, form and risk. These topics are for you to discover anew or for the first time.

Happy tenth anniversary!

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## Technical specifications for printed submissions

Experiment and create on the theme of exploration by submitting an exclusive visual project (illustration, photography, typography, collage, etc.) in a spread, a spread + a single page, or two spreads and articulate your ideas and thoughts on the given theme (about 200 words). In addition, you can document your approach in several images (for example in the case of a performance or installation).

- PDF format (High Quality Print)
- \*New format\* 76p10 x 38p5 (2 pages of 53p3 x 38p5)
- 0,125 in. bleed
- CMYK

\* New spreads possibilities\*

- Explanatory text (about 200 words)

You must send your text and final two pages in a single PDF document with your full contact information in the header:

- Last name, first name
- Email address
- Phone number
- Home address

Please name your PDF and the subject of your message as follows:

pica10\_LastnameFirstname.pdf

/ Submit your project to: soumission@picamag.com

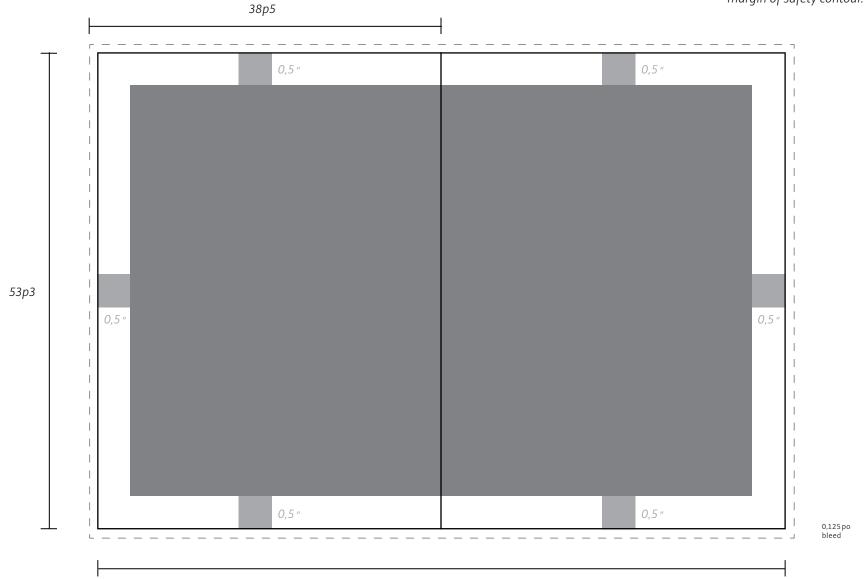
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## \* New format \*

\* Your composition can be fullpage, but please avoid important informations in the 0.5 in margin of safety contour.



## Technical specifications for digital submissions

For this tenth edition, we are bringing back our digital section (picamag.com/numerique). This platform will allow us to showcase projects that cannot fully live in print.

Experiment, create under the theme of exploration by submitting a visual project. The project can be an interactive installation, a Web platform, a video, etc. It should be presented in the form of a preliminary model (pdf presentation of the project and the intentions), an explanatory video or a link to a Web platform. An explanatory text of your project in relation to the theme (approximately 200 words).

#### In the annex:

- Presentation of the preliminary model (pdf) and/or
- Video explanatory
- Link to a Web platform
- Explanatory text (about 200 words)

\* Return of picamag.com/numerique \*

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## Technical specifications for text submissions

What are the links between literature and exploration? Is language itself a form of exploration? For this 10<sup>th</sup> edition of Pica, we encourage you to delve into the broad theme of exploration. The form of the text is free (prose, poetry, essay) and must contain between 200 to 1000 words. That being said, multiple avenues can be explored,in terms of substance as much as form. Once submitted, the Pica 10 team will take care of formatting the text which will be printed on double-sided pages. Regardless, the text itself and its form (upper/lower case and punctuation) will remain intact, as chosen by its author.

- Text

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## **Exclusivity**

It is crucial that submitted visuals are produced exclusively for Pica. We will not be able to accept prior creations that have already been published. Our magazine has always taken great pride in the freshness of its content. The quality of the final product vastly benefits from the exclusive nature of the published material.

### Selection

The selection process is influenced by numerous factors such as the nature of the visual, the proportion of participating students from UQAM, etc. We will contact every creator, whether the submission is accepted or not, briefly after the content selection.

We thank you for understanding the constraints that will guide our choices during the selection process for the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of Pica magazine

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