

PAIAZZOGRASSI

Woody & Steina Vasulka
Santa Fé

Paris, le 25 août 1986

Ecce Arcimboldo
20I-15IV 1987

Steina & Woody,

jak vete z telefonického rozhovoru, pracuji na realisaci projektu "Ecce Arcimboldo", který ma za cíl, krome toho, že soustředi poprvé po 400 letech jeho souborné dílo, položit filozofickou otazku: cemu odpovida transformace, nebo lépe receno "restrukturace" lidské tvare, fenomén, který se objeví poprvé v 16 století, a po 200 letech zaniku se znova objeví v polovině 19 století.

První fáze "primitivní" historického cyklu bude reprezentována díly Leonarda, Dürera, Parmezana, Schöna, Arcimbolda, Bracelliho atd. V druhé "dekadentní" époce bude zastoupen Granville, Redon, Picasso, Duchamp, Malevitch, Schwitters, Dali, Warhol, Bacon, a další, v celku se jedna asi tak o 300 dílů.

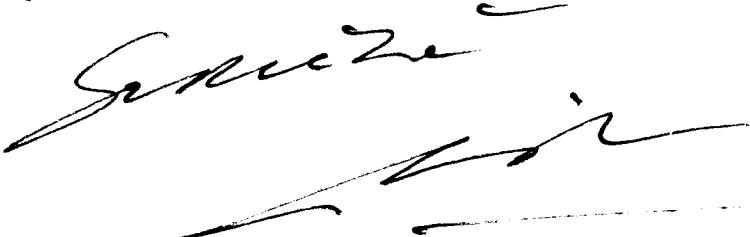
"Mc Luhan" Nam June Paika (max. 1 min.30, značobena opakováním), s obrazem Bacona z téhož roku 1967, otvírá první a uzavírá druhou épochu. Jsou navazaním a prechodem k anamorfóznímu procesu, charakteristickému pro záčtek a konec každé ze dvou époch.

Vasi práci bych situoval jako refleksi na téma: "molekulární hlava".

Prikladám několik fotokopií srovnávaných v chronologickém sledu výstavy.

Doufám, že tento krátký dopis Vám z části přiblíží projekt.
Přiste vic.

Moc Vás oba pozdravují, a taky od Zuzany.



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TO: CLARENZA
RE: CONFIRMING FINAL BUDGET

EIGHT MIN. OF ORIGINAL PRODUCTION BY THE VASULKAS (\$500 PER MIN.)-----	\$4,000.00
PRIK'S SEGMENT TRANSFER-----	\$ 100.00
POST-PRODUCTION-----	\$ 600.00
MISC. (TAPE STOCK, TELEPHONE, SHIPPING, CLERICAL)-----	\$ 200.00

TOTAL:	\$4,900.00

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS ARE DESCRIBED IN A LETTER THAT
FOLLOWS.

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Pontus Hulten
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Santa Fe, 15-sep-86

Dear Mr. Hulten,

As you may know, we are talking with Yasha David of a possible contribution to "Ecce Archimboldo" by providing computer assisted or computer generated images of the human face.

These are the topics we discussed:

- Selection of moving images on videotape already produced by The Vasulkas.
- Inclusion of Nam June Paik's segment on Marshall McLuhan's face from the master tape at Electronic Arts Intermix in New York.
- Preparing and assembling/editing the materials into the showtapes.
- A possible commission of new images specific to this show.
- Our suggestion of some historically significant material (for example the early synthesis of a human face and its expression made at the University of Utah in the late sixties).

We understand that there will be three channels of moving images on videotape, distributed into multi-monitor arrangement within the exhibit. Each channel program is to be about four min. long, so Steina, Woody and Paik would have four min. of repeated programs each. (Paik's segment, we understand is somewhat shorter. We talked to him, he wants to donate the work, except the tape transfer charges of Electronic Arts Intermix.)

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Technically, there are at least two ways we could prepare the programs:

Each 4 min. segment will play and immediately rewind, (this of course will put a significant stress on the tape player). Each program will be assembled on an hour tape and repeat 15 times before rewinding. This would make an approximate three min. of no image during the rewind time at the end of each hour, and make the showtape assembly cost higher. We would favor the second approach.

Some rough budgetary estimates:

Existing source tapes (8 min. of The Vasulkas + Paik)	600.00
Post-production	600.00
Misc. (Tapestock, telephone, shipping, clerical)	200.00
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	\$ 1,400.00

Eight min. of original production by The Vasulkas

(\$60.00 @ min.)

Paik's segment transfer

Post-production

Misc.

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5,700.00	4,900

This is not a final budget, there are other ways to work things out in various proportions.

Finally, we are quite excited about the exhibit and look forward to a chance to participate, and we are preparing a sample cassette to be shipped next week to Yasha, which will give much clearer idea of our contribution.

Sincerely,

Woody & Steina

CC: Giuseppe Donega
Pontus Hulten
Yasha David