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Letter of recommendation

To whom it may concern,

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It's my pleasure to provide this letter of recommendation for Julia Wagner for her application as a student intern at Urgent Agency.

I came to know Julia as a participant in the free summer-school „BauWhat?“, that my studio initiated and supervised. The summer-school was a cross disciplinary open ended experiment, aiming to explore new forms of design education. Together with the students we engaged in a theoretical discourse which led to a physical articulation in form of a built installation. Throughout the whole process Julia showed great skills in designing, organizing as well as team building.

I was impressed with Julia's work ethic, friendly personality, and ability to work well under pressure. Whether in heated group discussions or in stressful phases of the execution, Julia managed to stay focused and had a positive influence on the workflow of the group. I am confident that she would make an excellent addition to your team.

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Both in her contributions to the theoretical discussion as well as her input to the design process Julia proved to be curious and passionate towards her field of work. She was not afraid to make unconventional connections and cross references which lead to outside the box approaches and results.

Julia is a strong strategic designer, focussed on the impact her design has on the recipient. While form and aesthetics are important to her, using design as a tool to transport meaning and to actively engage the consumer in producing new meaning is one of her greatest skills.

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Beyond her organizational and design skills, Julia left a mark with her open and thoughtful personality. She is well-spoken and lights up when talking about the impact that design could have on people and society at large beyond pure commodification and aesthetics. On several occasions I had the pleasure to discuss these matters with her in a depth that is refreshing and enriching.

In closing, I'd like to restate my strong support for Julia's application to the position of a student intern with Urgent Agency. Julia is a talented individual driven by a passion for design and its potential role for the pressing issues of our time. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information. Thank you for your time.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jurek Werth', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jurek Werth