Artist Statement

*Columbia River Shadows*
2013
Archival digital print
52 x 52”

Photograms by Anna Daedalus & Kerry Davis; Shadowbody (poem) by David Abel; Particulates (poem) by Standard Schaefer; hand-drawn map of the Columbia River from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation to the Pacific Ocean by Robert Tomlinson; design by Leo Daedalus.

*Columbia River Shadows* is a collaborative printed work on paper incorporating photographs, poetry and drawing. The project grew out of work done by 13 Hats, a collective of artists and writers in Portland, Oregon from 2011-2013. The photographic images are photograms by Anna Daedalus & Kerry Davis, created by submerging sheets of photographic paper directly in the waters of the Columbia River and the Pacific Ocean by darkness of night, and exposing them to a flash of light. The hand-drawn map by Robert Tomlinson shows a section of the Columbia River from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation to the Pacific Ocean. The poems by David Abel and Standard Schaefer were written specifically for this piece.

The work is part of a larger project, *Mapping the Shadows*. Directed by Anna Daedalus, it is a multidisciplinary dialogue and meditation on the environmental crisis that starts with the Columbia River as a microcosm of that planet-wide story.