

A close-up portrait of a woman with short blonde hair, smiling slightly. She is resting her chin on her hands. The lighting is warm and focused on her face, with a dark background. The text "DR. SARAH JANE PELL" is overlaid at the bottom in white and red capital letters.

DR. SARAH JANE PELL

# OUR ARTIST-ASTRONAUT

Dr. Sarah Jane Pell consults, produces and performs from sea, to summit, to space. Her mission is to contribute new media design and experimentation as new forms of art, extreme performance research and civilian space analogues. Art and science supports mutual discovery.

Sarah Jane is passionate about the arts, space tourism and private access to space, novel art-related solutions and the design of symbiotic technologies for solving grand environmental challenges. Her work has a strong aesthetic, cultural, international and interdisciplinary focus.

Optimistic about the future, her visions are bold, innovative and disruptive. She gravitates to entrepreneurial partners and game-changing individuals intent on making a difference. An accomplished artist, commercial diver and extreme performer, Pell thrives on art adventure contributing to research and discovery.







# LINKS

**Dr. Sarah Jane Pell's blog:**  
[sarahjanepell.com](http://sarahjanepell.com)

**Project PoSSUM official website:**  
[projectpossum.org](http://projectpossum.org)

**The making of:**  
[artistastronaut.com](http://artistastronaut.com)

**Watch the teaser:**  
[PLAY](#)

**Pell's expedition website:**  
[bendinghorizons.com](http://bendinghorizons.com)





# SPACE ANALOGUE EXPEDITION

**Mt. Everest Summit Expedition**  
Bending Horizons

Departed Kathmandu 2 April 2015  
Trekking from Lukla to EBC

**Reached Everest Base Camp (EBC)**  
5364m on April 11 2015

**Survived Nepal Earthquakes**  
Thamel April 25/26 2105



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**TED**Fellow

**TED 2010**

TED Woman 2010

TEDxSydney 2010

TEDxISU 2012

TEDxRockhampton 2013

TED Fellows Retreat 2013

TEDxMelbourne 2015

TED Fellows Retreat 2015



**PhD Doctor of Philosophy Visual Arts\***

Edith Cowan University, Western Australia

**MA Masters of Arts Human Movement**

Victoria University of Technology, Australia

**BFA Bachelor of Fine Art**

Uni of Melbourne, Victorian College of the Arts

**GSP10 Technology Accelerator**

Singularity University, NASA Ames, US

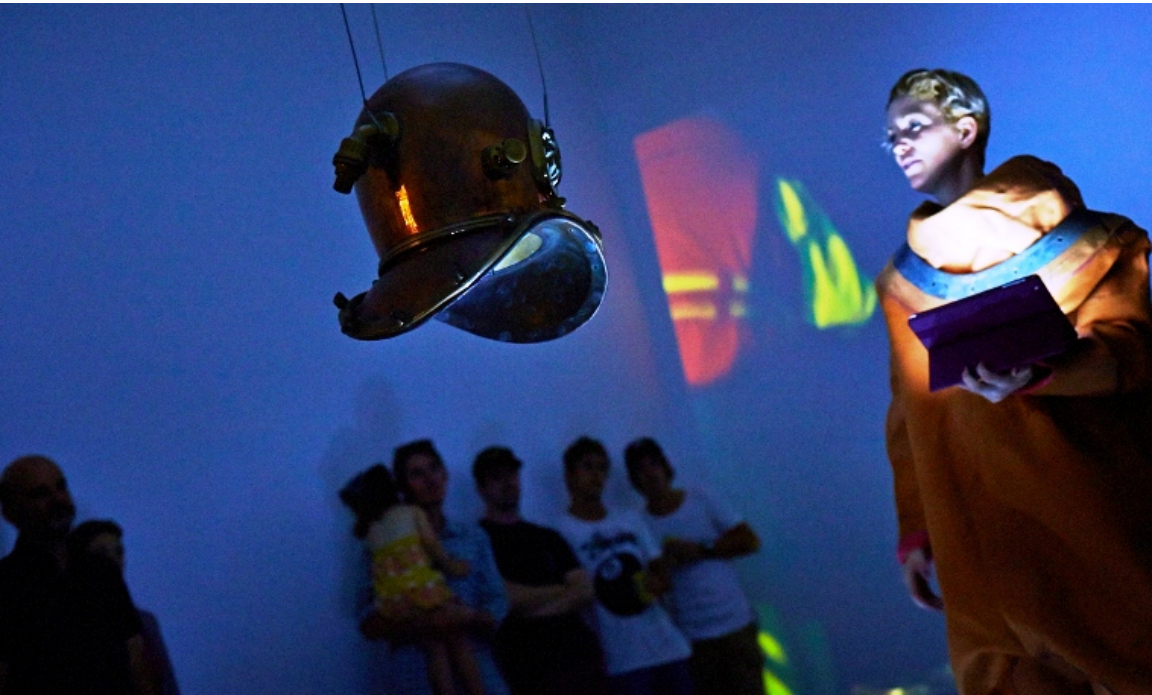
**SSP06 Space Studies**

International Space University, France


**ADAS P2r Occupational Diving**

The Underwater Centre, Fremantle, AU

\*Awarded BEST PhD ART & Science, Leonardo LABS, MIT 2007





A woman wearing a white space suit and helmet is looking upwards. She is in a museum, with several framed paintings visible in the background. The lighting is dim, highlighting the woman and her suit.

ART + SCIENCE QUALIFICATIONS



**RMIT University**

Research Fellow, Media & Comms, 2012–15

**Maritime Union of Australia (MUA)**

Consultant, Occupational Diving 2012–25

**International Space University (ISU)**

Visiting Faculty, Southern Hemisphere, 2013

**European Space Agency (ESA)**

CoChair, Topical Team Art & Science, 2011–14

**Japanese Space Agency (JAXA)**

Artist Payload, Sprite-SAT, 2007

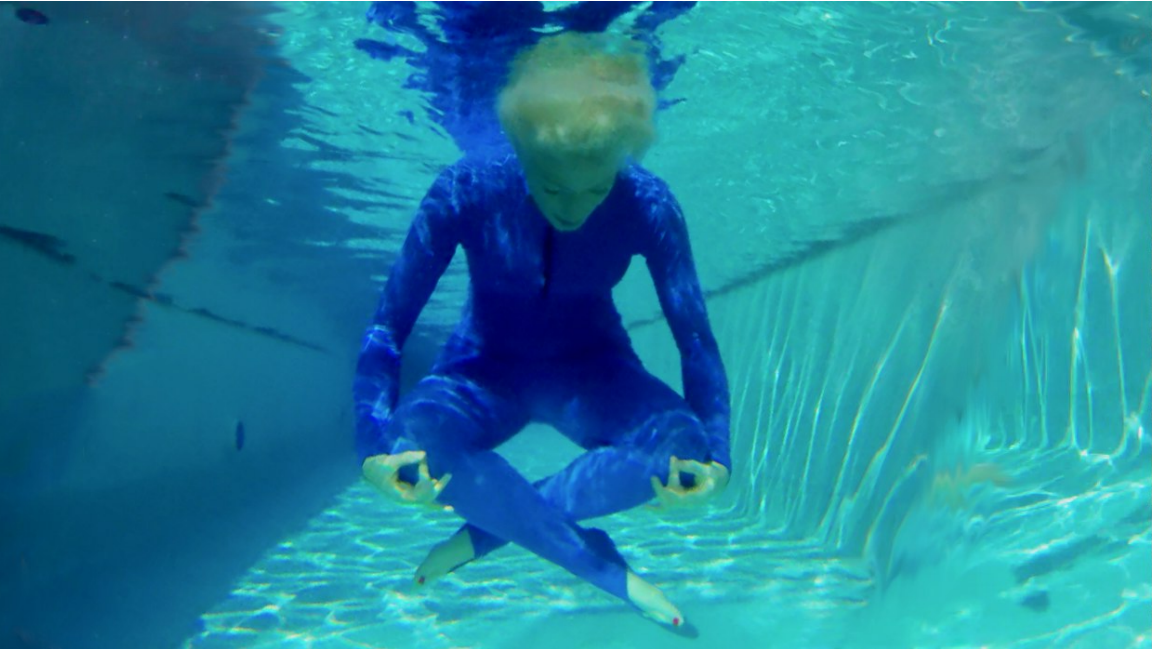
**NASA Ames Research Centre (ARC)**

Lead, Luna Gaia: closed loop habitat for the Moon, ISU Team Project, 2006

**Aquabatics Research Team Initiative (ARTi)**

Principal, Underwater Performance 2002–12

**International Artist 1995–2015**





A woman with short blonde hair, wearing a black dress with colorful sequins, stands barefoot on a wooden boardwalk at night. She is pointing her right arm towards a bright star in a dark, starry sky. The background features dark silhouettes of trees and a warm, glowing light source on the left, possibly a building or a fire. The overall mood is artistic and contemplative.

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# **FEMALE** ASTRONAUT

IS AN ARTIST



# NASA Experiment 46-S

NASA Noculiscent Cloud Topography Experiment

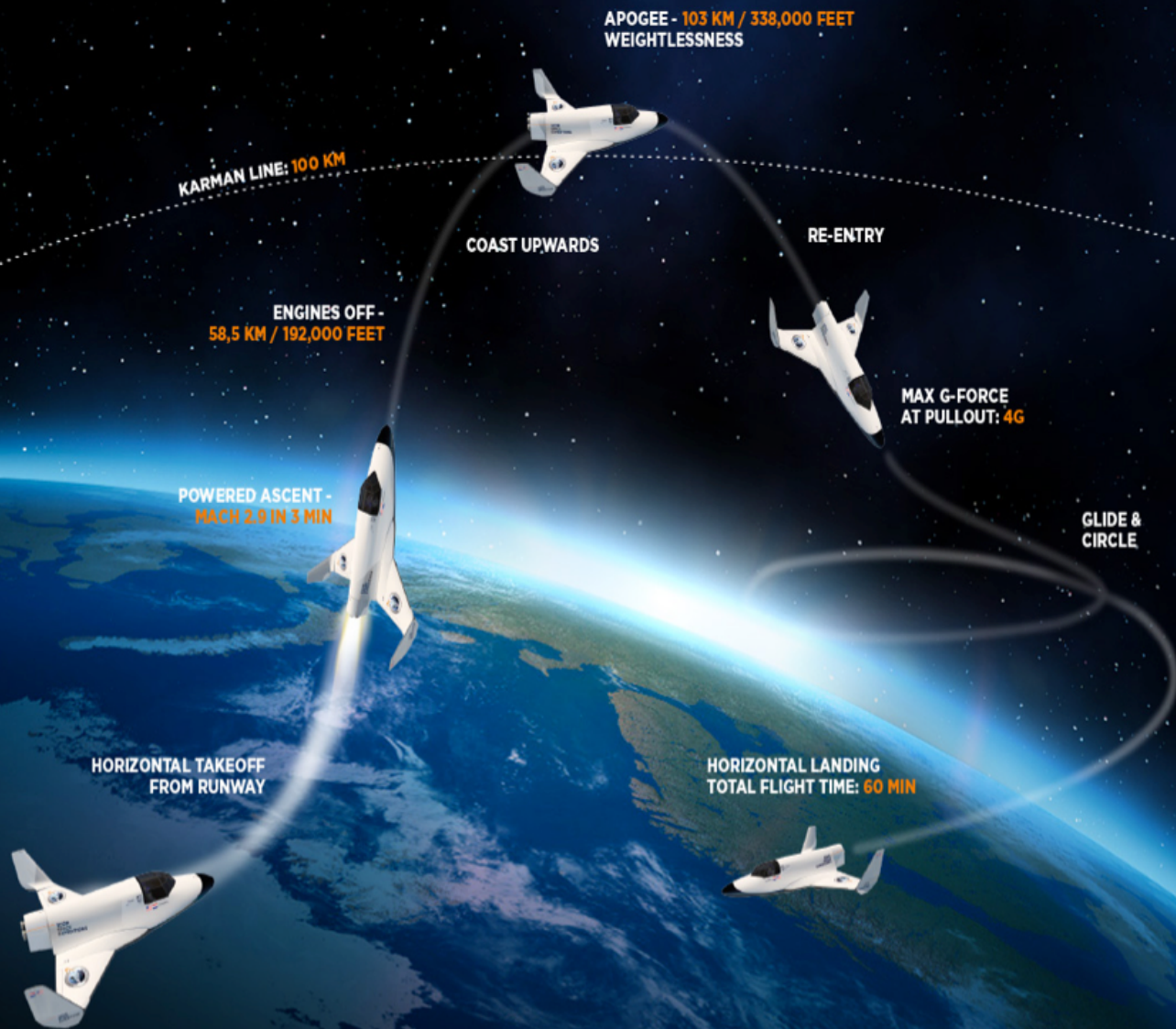
Polar orbital Space Science in the Upper Mesosphere  
(PoSSUM)

1x Pilot and 1x Scientist-Astronaut to collect imaging  
from a Reusable Suborbital Launch Vehicle

Reaching a perigee of 103km above Earth

24 Astronaut-candidates have been selected for training  
8 Scientist-Astronauts have been assigned flights  
including 1 Australian Woman Dr. Sarah Jane Pell









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