Submission Guidelines to xCoAx 2025: Performances and Artworks

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**Table 1.** Level styles, typeset examples, font size and formatting for headings

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| Level: style | Example | Formatting |
| First: Heading 1 (title case, not numbered) | First Level | 16 pt, bold; align left; line spacing: single; space before: 20pt; space after: 10pt; Keep with next; Keep lines together. |
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PImage img = loadImage("degaul.jpg");

image(img, 0, 0);

blend(img, 0, 0, 33, 100, 67, 0, 33, 100, DARKEST);

Example of a pixel blend function from <http://processing.org/reference/blend_.html>

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# References

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2. This is an example of a footnote in *Footnote Text* style. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)