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Haystack Mountain School Committee,

I am writing to recommend Karen Capobianco for a technical assistant and/or work study scholarship for Haystack this summer.

I first became familiar with Karen and her work from graduate seminars while studying at SUNY New Paltz 1999-2001.

I hired Karen last spring to help me with a few projects in my jewelry, metals and sculpture studio. The work involved using small machine tools: lathe, mill, sander, flexible shaft and polisher, and other standard jewelers' hand and forming tools, familiarity with which Karen initially acquired while taking metals department courses at SUNY.

I found Karen to be hardworking, eager to learn and pleasant to work with. She is diligent in her work, a good problem solver and therefore, in my opinion, would be a good candidate for a technical assistant in the courses she has applied for at Haystack.

Sincerely yours,

Sergey Jivetin