

# SPRING 2026

## EXHIBITIONS & EVENTS

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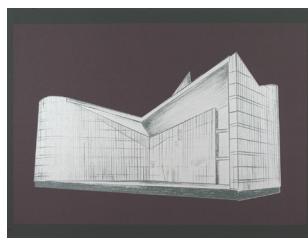
ARTIST LECTURES AND RECEPTIONS

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Dianna Frid: Matter Is the Nectar of Writing / La materia es el néctar de la escritura  
1/12 - 3/1

Dianna Frid, *El ritmo es la fuerza* (Mayakovsky weaving #2) (detail), 2025. Undyed wool, wool dyed with cochineal and / or pericón (targetes lucida), felted with wool. Made in collaboration with the Toño and Lili workshop in Teotitlán del Valle. Courtesy of the artist and PATRON Gallery, Chicago.



Collaboration in Progress: Normal Editions Workshop at 50  
1/12 - 3/25

Avantika Bawa, GB 02, Line, 2024. Three-color lithograph, edition of 20. Courtesy of Normal Editions Workshop.



Anne and Stephen Matter Artist Lecture Series Events with Dario Robleto  
2/24 - 2/25

Dario Robleto, film still from *Ancient Beacons Long for Notice*, 2024. UHD video, 5.1 surround sound, 71 minutes. Courtesy of the artist.



Permanent Collection Exhibition: Handwriting  
3/4 - 3/31  
Bethany Collins, "and love all hearts entwine (God Bless Our Sunday School)", 2022. Two-color lithograph, edition of 10. Created in collaboration with Normal Editions Workshop and co-published with University Galleries. Collection of University Galleries of Illinois State University. Photo credit: Jade (Minh Hà) Nguyen.

<p><b>1/12-3/1</b></p>	<p><b>DIANNA FRID: MATTER IS THE NECTAR OF WRITING / LA MATERIA ES EL NÉCTAR DE LA ESCRITURA</b> Supported by University Galleries' grants from The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, Illinois Arts Council, and Alice and Fannie Fell Trust.</p>
<p><b>1/12-3/25</b></p>	<p><b>COLLABORATION IN PROGRESS: NORMAL EDITIONS WORKSHOP AT 50</b></p>
<p><b>1/16</b></p>	<p><b>INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR</b> Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>1/17</b></p>	<p><b>SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING</b> Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to noon.</p>
<p><b>1/17</b></p>	<p><b>ALL-AGES BOOKMAKING WORKSHOP</b> Saturday from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Create an artist's book inspired by <i>Dianna Frid: Matter Is the Nectar of Writing / La materia es el néctar de la escritura</i>. <a href="#">*Registration required</a>.</p>
<p><b>1/21</b></p>	<p><b>DROP-IN POETRY AT THE GALLERIES</b> Wednesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>1/28</b></p>	<p><b>CROSSPLATFORM LECTURE: MITCH BRINKER</b> Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Organized by the Wonsook Kim School of Art's Graphic Design Area.</p>
<p><b>1/28</b></p>	<p><b>INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR</b> Wednesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>1/29</b></p>	<p><b>ARTIST TALK: DIANNA FRID</b> Thursday at 4:00 p.m. The talk will be followed by a reception.</p>
<p><b>1/29</b></p>	<p><b>ARTIST RECEPTION: DIANNA FRID</b> Thursday from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>1/31</b></p>	<p><b>SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING</b> Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to noon.</p>
<p><b>1/31</b></p>	<p><b>ALL-AGES PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP</b> Saturday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Create monotype and relief prints inspired by works on view in <i>Collaboration in Progress: Normal Editions Workshop at 50</i>. All materials provided. <a href="#">*Registration required</a>.</p>
<p><b>2/5</b></p>	<p><b>IMAGE OF RESEARCH</b> Pop-up exhibition on Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Reception and awards ceremony at 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Office of Student Research, Graduate School, Milner Library, and University Galleries.</p>
<p><b>2/6</b></p>	<p><b>INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR</b> Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>2/7</b></p>	<p><b>ARTIST-LED EXHIBITION TOUR: DIANNA FRID</b> Saturday at 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>2/9</b></p>	<p><b>CROSSPLATFORM LECTURE: REBECCA TEGTMAYER</b> Monday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Organized by the Wonsook Kim School of Art's Graphic Design Area.</p>
<p><b>2/13</b></p>	<p><b>PANEL DISCUSSION: NORMAL EDITIONS WORKSHOP AT 50</b> Friday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. The panel features James D. Butler, Richard Finch, Veda Rives Aukerman, and Morgan Price in conversation. The panel will be followed by a reception.</p>
<p><b>2/13</b></p>	<p><b>RECEPTION: COLLABORATION IN PROGRESS: NORMAL EDITIONS WORKSHOP AT 50</b> Friday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>2/14</b></p>	<p><b>SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING</b> Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to noon.</p>
<p><b>2/14</b></p>	<p><b>ALL-AGES MIXED-MEDIA SCULPTURE WORKSHOP</b> Saturday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Create sculptures that reflect personal narratives and histories inspired by <i>Dianna Frid: Matter Is the Nectar of Writing / La materia es el néctar de la escritura</i>. All materials provided. <a href="#">*Registration required</a>.</p>
<p><b>2/16-3/1</b></p>	<p><b>SUBMIT WORKS ONLINE FOR STUDENT ANNUAL JURYING</b></p>
<p><b>2/19</b></p>	<p><b>INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR</b> Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.</p>

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

Contact [gallery@ilstu.edu](mailto:gallery@ilstu.edu) or (309) 438-5487 to register for an exhibition tour.

### GALLERY HOURS

Monday – Thursday:  
9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Friday:  
9:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday – Sunday:  
Noon – 4:00 p.m.

### PUBLICATIONS

 University Galleries has produced more than 60 artist monographs and group exhibition catalogues.

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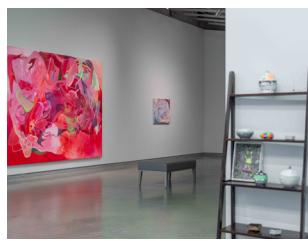
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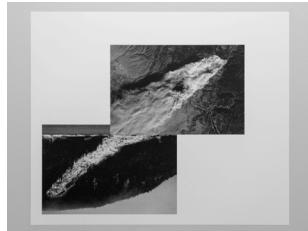
COMMUNITY EVENTS 



### MFA Thesis Exhibitions

3/9 - 3/25

Installation view of 2025 *Thesis Exhibitions*. Photo credit: Jade (Minh Hà) Nguyễn.

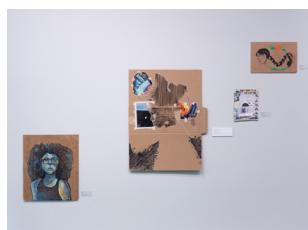


### Student Annual

4/8 - 5/3

Installation view of *Kitty Davies: Telling the Future through a Portal* in the 2025 *Student Annual*. Photo credit: Jade (Minh Hà) Nguyễn.

## SUMMER 2026 PREVIEW



### Teen Art Group-Curated Exhibition

Dates TBA

Installation view of 2025 Teen Art Group-curated exhibition, *A Conversation Between*. Photo credit: Zo Russell.



### Summer Art Camps

Dates TBA

Photo credit: Tanya Scott.

2/20

### DROP-IN ALL-AGES PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP

Friday from noon to 7:00 p.m. Guided by printmaker Lisa Lofgren, add your mark to a copper printing plate that will keep evolving with each participant's mark. Between each addition, the plate will be inked and pressed to create two prints: one for participants to take and one for temporary display. Materials provided.

2/20

### RECEPTION FOR PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP

Friday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

2/21-2/22

### POP-UP EXHIBITION OF PRINTS

Saturday-Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m. View a progression of prints created by community members during the 2/20 printmaking workshop.

2/24

### SCREENING: DARIO ROBLETO: ANCIENT BEACONS LONG FOR NOTICE

Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Normal Theater (209 North Street, Normal). This event is presented by the Anne and Stephen Matter Artist Lecture Series, co-organized by the Wonsook Kim School of Art and University Galleries.

2/25

### ANNE AND STEPHEN MATTER ARTIST LECTURE: DARIO ROBLETO

Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. This lecture is presented by the Anne and Stephen Matter Artist Lecture Series, co-organized by the Wonsook Kim School of Art and University Galleries.

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### DROP-IN POETRY AT THE GALLERIES

Saturday from noon to 1:30 p.m.

3/4-3/31

### PERMANENT COLLECTION EXHIBITION: HANDWRITING

3/9-3/25

### MFA THESIS EXHIBITIONS: ALEX COX AND DRAPER MATTHEWS

3/20

### INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR

Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

3/21

### SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING

Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

3/23

### MATTING WORKSHOP FOR ISU STUDENTS

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### STUDENT ANNUAL DROPOFF DAY

4/8-5/3

### STUDENT ANNUAL

4/8

### STUDENT ANNUAL OPENING DAY

Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

4/8

### STUDENT ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. at the Normal Theater (209 North Street, Normal).

4/9

### SPOON RIVER POETRY READING

Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

4/10

### INDEPENDENT DRAWING HOUR

Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

4/11

### SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING

Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

4/11

### ALL-AGES ARTMAKING WORKSHOP

Saturday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Create artworks inspired by works on view in the *Student Annual*. All materials provided. [\\*Registration required.](#)

4/15

### CROSSPLATFORM LECTURE: DORI TUNSTALL

Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Organized by the Wonsook Kim School of Art's Graphic Design Area.

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### POP-UP EXHIBITION: BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Tuesday from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m. Presented with ART204.

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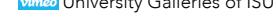
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