27th Annual Library Benefit

On January 26, 2013, the Friends of Art will host the 27th Annual Library Benefit in the Fine Arts Library at IU. Mark your calendars for this important and fun event featuring a lecture by Tim Mather, Associate Professor of Ceramics at IU, pictured left. Professor Mather’s lecture is titled “Intriguing, Frightening and Mystifying: Pre-Colombian Ceramics Decoded,” and promises to be an out-of-the-ordinary take on the influence of Pre-Colombian artifacts on contemporary works of art. The Friends of Art is looking forward to some exciting changes to this year’s event! Watch for details in the weekly newsletter, and look for invitations in early December.

The Fine Arts Library is a vital resource for art students, faculty, and the Bloomington community. For 27 years, the Friends of Art has supported Library acquisitions by hosting this wonderful evening of fun and friends. Last year, with your support, the Friends of Art donated over $7,000 to the Fine Arts Library, and this year we have set our sights even higher to support this amazing resource. Join us, break the rules, and share delicious food and drink in the Library amongst Friends.

FoA Reading Group - A Colorful Journey

“In this engaging travelogue, a rainbow of hues determined the author’s choice of destinations. . . By the time you read ‘Violet,’ you will have traversed much of the world, sharing Finlay’s contagious fascination with color.” —Condé Nast Traveler

Defining color is a simple matter - visible light of a particular wavelength. Or is it? It turns out that the pigments and dyes responsible for hues have many remarkable characteristics, most of which we rarely ponder. Journalist Finlay’s first book is a blend of travelogue and historical exploration about the myriad ways color takes on meaning for us, whether as a matter of aesthetics, economics, war or culture. To delve into this book is to see the experimental, scientific side of the old masters and the artistic qualities of inventors and explorers. This is not a scientific work - those interested in rods and cones should look elsewhere. Thanks to Finlay’s impeccable reportorial skills and a remarkable degree of engagement, this is an utterly unique and fascinating read.

Looking for an even more colorful experience? Join Martha Macleish, IU Studio Art Faculty and Friends of Art Board Member, for a complementary hands-on workshop on color. Watch your email for details about this special program.

The discussion date, time and location for Color: A Natural History of the Palette will be announced January 2013. Discussion questions will be posted on the Friends of Art website, www.fa.indiana.edu/foart, so check often for details. This lively and unique reading group chooses both fiction and non-fiction art-themed books to inspire your reading palette. Consider joining the fun! Past selections have included the Luncheon of the Boating Party by Susan Vreeland and The Printmaker’s Daughter by Katherine Govier.

Paperback copies of Color are available at the Friends of Art Bookshop at a special FoA member discounted price of $12.75 plus tax. Call 855-1333 to reserve your copy or have one delivered to you.

The Shaman Transforms into A Feline

Casa del Ablado, Quito, Ecuador
Henry Radford Hope School of Fine Arts
Visiting Artist Lecture Series

All lectures will be held in Fine Arts 102 at 5pm

WENDY PRESSLEY JACOBS
Graphic Designer
When Vision Acts: Thoughtful Communications Design
Friday, January 11

AILI SCHMELTZ
Mixed Media Artist
Tomorrowland
Friday, March 22

SAMMY CUCHER
Digital Artist and Founder of Aziz + Cucher
Friday, January 25

PIPER SHEPARD
Textile Artist
Friday, April 5

JENNY SCHMID
Printmaker
The Pleasure Seekers
Friday, February 8

CHRISTIAN PATTERSON
Photographer
Friday, April 19

DAVID NORR
Chief Curator, MOCA Cleveland
Friday, February 22

The mission of Friends of Art of Indiana University is to support the School of Fine Arts and its students through fundraising, education, and social engagement in the wider community.
Shop Locally and Save at the Friends of Art Bookshop

FoA Members save 20% storewide at the FoA Bookshop now through December 21, 2012! Find great deals on special gifts that will inspire the artists on your list. Our tantalizing variety of Moleskine notebooks, beautiful calendars, creative stationery, jewelry, and especially the vast array of engaging artbooks offer plenty to choose from. Best of all, by shopping at the FoA Bookshop, you’re supporting a local business whose profits are donated to Fine Art Student Scholarships at IU. Clockwise, right: The Sartorialist by Scott Schuman is full of street fashion photos, great for a burgeoning fashionista; the Wiener Werkstätte Advent Calendar comes with its own tree on which to hang ornaments found behind its little doors; Pantone’s box of 100 postcards has a color for everyone; Little Paper Planes: 25 Artists Reinvent the Childhood Classic lets YOU make the plane in a totally new way. A small sampling of the many fun gifts available now at the Friends of Art Bookshop.

SoFA Holiday Awards Ceremony and Silent Auction

The School of Fine Arts Holiday Awards Ceremony will take place on December 7, 2012 at 5:30pm in Fine Arts 015. Following the ceremony, a reception will be held from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Grunwald Gallery of Art featuring the December BFA Thesis Exhibition. Come show your support of these talented young artists!

Also on December 7, 2012, the Master of Fine Arts Organization is hosting a Fine Art Auction. Affordable art and gifts will be available for silent bidding. This is a fundraiser to raise monies for the production of the annual MFA catalog.
*Where: McCalla (Corner of Indiana Avenue and 10th Street)
*When: 7-7:30 Preview, 7:30-8 Buy it now, 8-9:30 Bidding, 9:30-10 Checkout
Cash and Check accepted. Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to buy unique holiday gifts while helping IU’s MFA students produce the beautiful annual catalog promoting their work.

Friends of Art at Fourth Street Art Festival

The 4th Street Festival was created in 1977 by Bloomington area artists and craftspeople to showcase southern Indiana talent, and has grown to include artists from all over the country. Each year over Labor Day weekend, the Friends of Art staffs a booth with volunteers who reach out to the many art patrons attracted to the Festival. Volunteers inform the public of FoA’s mission: to support the School of Fine Arts and its students through fundraising, education, and social engagement in the wider community. At the booth, a drawing was held for a chance to win the beautiful artbook Vitamin Green. About 125 people signed up for the drawing, over 100 of whom were not members of FoA. The winner of the drawing was Micheline Fleurant, shown left with her new book! A big thank you goes out to all of the volunteers who organized staffing, sat through heat and rain, and brought their good cheer to all who stopped by.

Interested in volunteering? Contact foart@indiana.edu or call 812-855-5300.