MIT List Visual Arts Center

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2017 Student Loan Art Program Exhibition and Lottery

Hayden, Reference Galleries

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(August 3, 2017) Cambridge, MA— The MIT List Visual Arts Center presents the 2017 Student Loan Art Program Exhibition and Lottery. The exhibition features over 600 original works of art, primarily prints and photographs drawn from the List Center's Student Loan Art Collection. This annual exhibition, on view September 5–17 is free and open to the general public as well as the MIT community. A full listing of public events is attached.

Since 1977 the Student Loan Art Program Exhibition and Lottery has provided MIT students the enviable opportunity to view, choose, and borrow an original work of contemporary art, to live with for the academic year. Works from the collection are distributed through a lottery system and remaining unclaimed works are available for students to take home on a first come, first serve basis, once the exhibition closes.

"As MIT's contemporary art museum, we're delighted to provide new and returning MIT students an opportunity to borrow, appreciate, and live with a museum quality work of original art", said List Center Director Paul C. Ha. He added, "What makes our program distinct from other university and college collection based lending programs is the exceptional quality of the work loaned, and the national and the international reputations of the artists represented. It is also free for participating students as we do not charge a lending fee. Notable artists in the collection such as Rosa Barba, Edgar Arceneaux have shown recently at the List Center, and others such as Sarah Sze, Cai Guo-Qiang, and Sol LeWitt already have an enduring presence on MIT's campus as part of the campus public art collection. We're deeply grateful to MIT's Council for the Arts and the List Center's donors and supporters for their continued support which enable us to grow the collection every year."

This year the exhibition includes recently accessioned works by Edgar Arceneaux, Rosa Barba, Nicole Eisenman, Cerith Wyn Evans, Jesse Aaron Green, Annette Kelm, Eva Kot'átková, Steve Locke, Barry McGee, Charlotte Moth, Albrecht Schnider, Myron Stout, and Rosemarie Trockel. In addition, MIT students have the opportunity to borrow favorite works by artists such as Berenice Abbott, Louise Bourgeois, Harold "Doc" Edgerton, and Cindy Sherman, among many others.



About the Student Loan Collection

The collection comprises the Catherine N. Stratton Collection of Graphic Arts, established in 1966; the List Student Loan Collection, established in 1977; and the Ronald A. Kurtz Student Loan Collection, established in 1985.

Approximately fifteen new works are added to the collection annually with leadership support provided by the Alan M. May Fund and the John Taylor Endowment. In 2016–2017, additional support for acquisitions was provided by Karen & Gregory Aronson, Rhea Cohen, Leila Kinney, Beth & Richard Marcus, Cynthia & John Reed, and Idee Shoenheimer.

Major support for this program was provided by Vera G. List, MIT's Campus Activities Complex, MIT List Friends of Boston Art, and the Council for the Arts at MIT. Arts on the Radar is presented in collaboration with MIT Program in Art, Culture and Technology, and Arts at MIT.

About the MIT List Visual Arts Center

Located on the campus of MIT in Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA, The List Visual Arts Center is a creative laboratory that provides artists with space to experiment and push boundaries, creating a context for understanding how the contemporary visual arts reflect and express the complex social and cultural issues in a changing world. The List Center's dynamic annual program of six to nine gallery exhibitions includes a program of work by emerging artists, known as List Projects, as well as a broad range of educational programs, events, and scholarly publications. As the contemporary art museum at MIT, the List Center also maintains and adds to MIT's permanent collection; commissions new works through the MIT Percent-for-Art program; and oversees the Student Loan Art Collection that lends approximately 600 works of art annually to MIT students.



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EVENTS FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Gallery Tours

September 7, 1–2 PM September 16, 1–2 PM

Staff led gallery tours provide an opportunity to learn more about the collection. Visitors are invited to enjoy the breadth and diversity of over 600 works of art on view.

Artist Workshop Community Legacy with Elisa Hamilton

September 7, 12–2 PM September 12, 12–2 PM

The Student Loan Art Program is an authentic showing of generosity. The collection itself began with generous support—the artwork that exists in the collection is evidence of that legacy, both of benefactors and artists alike. By loaning these works to members of the MIT community, the List continues that tradition. In the spirit of this generosity, artist Elisa H. Hamilton asks the MIT Community what members want their personal legacies to be.

Participants are invited to respond to the prompt: "What will you leave behind?" by writing down their responses and physically leaving them behind in a growing installation of personal proclamations. As more and more boxes are created, the installation will grow, as physical evidence of a community's legacy. When the installation period has ended the contents of each box will be posted online as public evidence of each bequeath.

Student Loan Art Program Exhibition Closing Brunch Reception

September 17, 11:00 AM-1 PM

Join us for the closing brunch reception for the 2017 Student Loan Art Program Exhibition. This event is open to all MIT students and to the general public. In addition to enjoying brunch food and drinks, visitors will have the opportunity take a staff-led tour of the exhibition and meet other members of the MIT art community – and if you are an MIT undergrad or graduate student this is your last chance to participate in the lottery.

Admission to all exhibitions and events is free but RSVP is required. For more info on upcoming events and to RSVP visit: https://listart.mit.edu/events-programs



EVENTS FOR MIT STUDENTS

Arts on the Radar

September 8, 7-11 PM

MIT students and their guests are invited to join the List Center, the MIT Program in Art, Culture and Technology (ACT), and Arts at MIT for an evening of art, food, and fun. Enjoy Pecha Kucha sessions, live music, BBQ with Redbones food truck, and an art interactive Community Legacy workshop with artist Elisa Hamilton. View art installations and demonstrations in the atrium lobbies and learn more about MIT's exciting art community.

Student Loan Lottery Schedule

Please note: MIT students must have valid MIT ID to enter the lottery and to pick up work.

Lottery participants will be notified by email on September 18th on the work they have received.

Get Your Art

September 19-21

MIT Student lottery recipients pick up their artwork.

Gallery Hours: 12-8 PM

Last Call

September 22

Remaining unclaimed works available for pick up on a first come, first serve basis.

Gallery Hours 12–6 PM or until all work has been dispensed.

More info on the lottery and exhibition program can be found here.

