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Art in Response to Violence
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Program

**Art exhibits** all day on the 2nd floor of Art Building

9:00am (Golden Eagles) **Opening**
Welcome: Vicki Roman-Lagunas, Associate Provost
Musical Greeting: Music with Santoor by Ravand Samaeekia
Through his music, Ravand Samaeekia brings awareness and healing to his own
and others experience of oppression toward young Baha’i Students in Iran.

9:25-10:40am (Golden Eagles) **Keynote Presentation**

**Black Lives Matter, White Lies Madder: Can the Arts Help Us?**
Presenter: Jenny Hereth
The keynote presentation provides information and images about wrestling with
the current onslaught of international/national violence and injustice including
how the arts can bring us awareness and healing.

Jennifer Hereth has taught for 37 years beginning at The School of the Art
Institute of Chicago; University of Creation and Spirituality, Oakland, Ca, and
is now a Professor of Art at College of DuPage.

10:50-12:00noon

**Seed Bombs! Guerrilla Gardening with Seeds** | Workshop A (FA 206)
Join the guerrilla gardening movement through fun, non-violent political action.
Make seed bombs with local activist-artists at this hands-on workshop.

Maggie Puckett is co-founder with Melissa Potter of Seeds InService. Their
paper activism initiative considers art, ecofeminism, and biodiversity as a means
to arm communities affected by violence against nature.

**Using Inside Me–Outside Me: Drawing Protocol to Assess Self-Perceptions and World-Views** | Workshop B (SU 214)
This workshop will introduce participants to a projective drawing protocol that
uses art-making to explore self-perceptions and world-views affected by trauma
and abuse.

Elka–Elzbieta Kazmierczak, MFA PhD is visual artist and researcher who has
worked extensively with survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Dr.
Kazmierczak is a Research Affiliate at the University of Illinois in Champaign.

1:40-2:55pm

**Encouraging Creativity and Resilience through Group Art Therapy**
Workshop C (FA 206)
This workshop will demonstrate, through experiential learning, an approach to
group art therapy as developed by Sadie Dreikurs. The group will be
experimenting with collage work to enhance a feeling of belonging and to
deepen resilience.

Judy Sutherland, PhD, ATR-BC, LCPC, distinguished service professor
emerita, developed the M.A. in art therapy program at Adler University and
was the Director of that program from 1993-2006.

*CANCELLED DUE TO ILLNESS* **Stories in Motion Through Dance and Movement** | Workshop D (FA 141)
Explore and engage in a creative process filled with movement and
writing, utilizing performance as a means to heal from trauma and engage in
community building.

Lenora Lee is founder of Lenora Lee Dance, which creates large-scale
multimedia performance works integrating dance, original music, video, and
text that connect various styles of movement and music to culture, history and
human rights issues.

3:05-4:05

**Finding Your Voice: Spoken Word and Poetry** | Workshop B (SU 214)
This writing workshop is aimed to help the writer explore how to change
his/her future by stepping in the place of his/her fictional heroes/villains from
his/her childhood. A discussion will follow based upon the experiences of the
participants.

Britteney Black Rose Kapri is a teaching artist, writer, performance poet and
playwright based out of Chicago. Currently she is an alumna turned teaching
artist of Young Chicago Authors. She is a 2015 Rona Jaffe Foundation Writer's
Award recipient.

4:15-5:15 **Peace Fire**

5:40-6:55 (Golden Eagles)

**Louder than a Bomb: Performance by Young Chicago Authors Artistic Apprenticeship Students**
Young Chicago Authors was born from educator and
writer Bob Boone’s realization that few resources existed in Chicago for teens
serious about creative writing. In 2000, visionaries including YCA’s Artistic
Director Kevin Coval launched Louder Than a Bomb, now the country’s largest
team poetry festival for young writers.

Britteney Black Rose Kapri and a local Young Chicago Authors Ensemble
will perform works of poetry that showcase each personal journey. The group is
available for discussion of their work after the performance.