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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – The IWU School of Art presented 16 awards to students at the 20th Annual Juried Student Exhibition on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

The awards were presented in response to an exhibition that featured the work of IWU art majors and minors. The studio art program was fully represented at the show in the areas of painting, drawing, printmaking, graphic design, photography, ceramics, sculpture and kiln-fused glass. The IWU art faculty juried the show.

Awards presented to area students were as follows:

-Courtney Letkewicz, a senior art major from Naperville, Ill. won two awards for her painting, “Healing Comes to the Broken Places First.” Her awards include the Hansen Center Art Purchase Award, which presented to Letkewicz a \$250 purchase prize, and an ALAMO II Award for which she was given a \$25 gift certificate to ALAMO II art supply.

-Katie Allen of Batavia, Ill. was the recipient of the President’s Award, sponsored and selected by IWU President Richard F. Wilson and his wife, Pat. Allen, a sophomore art major, was presented a \$100 cash award for her glass and aluminum artwork titled, “Cut.”

-Mel Keiser of Naperville, Ill. won the Director’s Award, sponsored and selected by the School of Art Director Miles Bair. Keiser, a senior art major, was presented a \$50 cash award for her mixed media painting, “Investigations of the Body as a Vessel: Inquiry I (control).”

-Maria Gonzalez, a junior art and business administration major from Chicago received two awards at the exhibition. She was presented with a \$50 Gallery Award for her graphic design, “La Feria” and a Faculty Selection Award for her graphic design, “La Tomatina,” chosen by the School of Art faculty.

-Emily Dieling, a sophomore art major from Elmhurst, Ill. won an ALAMO II Award for her monoprint, "Now and Then" and was presented with a \$25 gift certificate to ALAMO II art supply.

-First-year student Emily Haager, an education studies major from Woodstock, Ill., was awarded the first-year Faculty Selection Award for her glass piece, "Wind Power."

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