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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Works by artists Steve Feren and Marie-Susanne Langille will be displayed Sept. 30 to Nov. 6 in Illinois Wesleyan's Merwin & Wakeley galleries, located in the Joyce Eichhorn Ames School of Art Building (6 Ames Plaza West, Bloomington).

The exhibits are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 12 to 4 p.m., Tuesday evenings, 7 to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m. During Homecoming weekend, the gallery hours will be extended on Saturday, Oct. 4 and Sunday, Oct. 5 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Saturday there will be a reception for IWU alumni from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the galleries.

On Thursday, Oct. 2 there will be a lecture with Feren in the Joyce Eichhorn Ames School of Art Building from 4 to 5 p.m. followed by an opening reception in the galleries from 5 to 6 p.m.

The Merwin Gallery will feature Feren's work. He has been creating sculptures since the 1980s and has worked in a variety of mediums, however, he is best known for his work with glass. Feren teaches art glass at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and he has done glass cast relief murals, fiber optics, glass outdoor environment, mosaic sculpture, and concrete work. He also has experience working with architects, designers, engineering and planning committees and his works have been created for universities, cities, companies and private collectors.

The Wakeley Gallery will showcase the work of Langille, an adjunct assistant professor of photography at Illinois Wesleyan. Langille graduated from the University of Missouri in 1995 with a master's degree in photojournalism. She has worked for newspapers in Utah, Iowa and Indiana. She has also worked for the Associated Press in New York. Her photographs have been published in *The New York Times* and *USA Today*. In 1999, Langille was named the Indiana Newspaper Photographer and of the year, and in 2001 one of her portraits was selected by MSNBC as one of the top 10 images of the year.

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