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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University's Merwin Gallery will feature "Puppetry: A World of Storytelling," a collection of puppets from puppeteer Ginger Lozar, as its summer exhibition, on display Saturday, June 16 through Friday, Aug. 17.

The gallery is located in the Joyce Eichorn Ames School of Art Building (6 Ames Plaza West, Bloomington). Summer gallery hours are Friday through Monday from noon to 3 p.m.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. A reception for the exhibition on Saturday, July 28 at 10 a.m. will be followed by a puppet show by Lozar, *Call of the Sea: A Mermaid's Tale*, at 10:30 a.m.



Artwork by Ginger Lozar

A seasoned performer and educator in the world of puppetry, Lozar graduated from the University of Illinois with a master's degree in oral interpretation with a specialty in child drama. She has taught or performed in Argentina, Mexico, the Netherlands, Italy, Egypt and China. Lozar also has given workshops for the Puppeteers of America in eight states and served on its board of trustees from 1996-1998.

Lozar and her husband, Charles Lozar, have been collecting puppets since the early 1970s. This exhibition showcases a wide variety of puppets from around the world: Burmese, Thai, African, Indian, English, Chinese, German, Indonesian and Czech as well as American puppets.

For additional information, contact Carmen Lozar, director of the Merwin and Wakeley Galleries, at (309) 556-3391.

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