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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. - In observance of Day Without Art, the Merwin and Wakeley Galleries will be closed on Friday, Dec. 1.

Observed annually in an effort to strengthen the global response to the challenges of the AIDS pandemic, Day Without Art has evolved into a collaborative project involving more than 6,000 arts communities around the world.

Organized for the first time in 1989, Day Without Art is observed with silence-galleries close their doors or shroud paintings in mourning, while theaters close and sit silent and dark. These demonstrations are meant to encourage people to remember those who have died from AIDS related illnesses and to "recommit themselves to shared communication, education and AIDS awareness."

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