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# Illinois Wesleyan University

NEWS RELEASE

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News Media Advisory	
Events:	Art Exhibits
	Paintings by John Sparagana Drawings by Katie Kahn Mixed Media Construction by Dallas Walters
Dates:	Sept. 9-30
Locations:	Merwin Gallery—Sparagana and Kahn Wakeley Gallery—Walters
	Illinois Wesleyan University Joyce Eichhorn Ames School of Art 302 E. Graham St., Bloomington
Hours:	Monday-Friday, 12-4 p.m.; Tuesday, 7-9 p.m.; Saturday- Sunday, 1-4 p.m.; <i>No admission fee</i>
Artists' Talks:	The artists will discuss their work from 4-5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 9, in 218 Art Building, 302 E. Graham, Bloomington. A 5-7 p.m. reception in the Art Building lobby will follow.
Artists'	
Backgrounds:	Sparagana received a master of fine arts degree from Stanford University. He is a prolific painter, who has exhibited across the United States, including New York, Illinois, and Texas. His work has appeared in magazines such as <i>Art in America</i> . Sparagana has received several fellowships and grants, including one from Cite Internationale des Arts, Paris, France. He is an associate professor of art at Rice University in Houston, Texas.
	Kahn received a master of fine arts degree from Yale University. She is a painter and printmaker. Kahn's works have been exhibited throughout the United States, including Texas, Illinois, Massachusetts, and California. She has given (more)

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several guest lectures at galleries and universities. Kahn is an assistant professor of art at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb.

Walters received a master of arts degree from Iowa State University and a master of fine arts degree from Bradley University. A versatile artist and educator, Walters recently received a \$1,000 Qualex Corp. award in the Photography and Digital Image Biennial Exhibition at East Carolina University. He has received research grants and a grant from the Iowa Arts Council to photograph vanishing elements of rural Iowa. Walters' recent work combines his expertise in photography, digital manipulation, and miniature architectural construction to create artistic dwellings.

### For More Information:

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