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BLOOMINGTON, ILL.--Kent Sollenberger of Loami, a 1975 honor graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University, will open a one-man show of drawings at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, in the Merwin Gallery of the School of Art.

The show will be open free to the public through January 25 from 1-4 p.m. daily and 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays.

An artist whose work is included in the first Central Illinois Arts Consortium Traveling Show which will be on exhibit in the Merwin Gallery in April, Sollenberger has exhibited widely throughout central Illinois.

He earned a master's degree in communication at Sangamon State University where he produced an audio-visual program on the art of contemporary American Indian artists for use in public schools. Since 1977 he has taught part-time at Lincoln Land Community College and taught a course in painting at the Springfield Art Association. In 1979 he was director of the Illinois State Fair Professional Art Show.

A man of varied talents, he is a farmer and livestock producer, a musician who appears frequently as percussionist with popular and classical musical organizations, Sollenberger also is a published writer. His columns often appear in a weekly newspaper, the Waverly Journal. He wrote a feature article, accompanied by photographs, for the Saturday Magazine of the Illinois State Journal-Register, and two photographic essays appeared in the Lincoln Land Community College literary magazine, The Harvester.