

McDonough Museum of Art

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MFA Student Exhibition

November 16 – December 7, 2018

Opening Reception: Friday, November 16, 5-7pm

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The John J McDonough Museum of Art, on the campus of Youngstown State University will open the **MFA Student Exhibition** on Friday evening, November 16, from 5 to 7pm. The show features individual and collaborative works by Venise Abell, David Belgrad, Kathleen Gallagher, and Christina Owens who are first and second year students in the Department of Art's MFA Interdisciplinary Visual Arts program. Also opening in the galleries will be the **Fall Graduating BFA Exhibition**. Both shows will remain on view in the McDonough galleries through December 7.

As second year students, Kathleen Gallagher and David Belgrad will present individual projects. Gallagher's work draws inspiration from the intersections of art, psychology and biology. Using mold as a medium she creates installations that reference the angst of personal and societal anxiety. Time and process are integral to Belgrad's work. Using charcoal on a single sheet of paper he creates animated films by drawing, photographing, erasing, modifying and redrawing. The narrative unfolds frame by frame over time to reflect the evolution of man's relationship with technology and nature.

Gallagher and Belgrad join with fellow MFA Interdisciplinary Visual Arts students, Venise Abell and Christina Owens, creating multiples for a collaborative work to coincide with the **Empty Bowls** event. The social engagement installation is intended to raise awareness of the scope and breadth of problems and issues facing those in need in the surrounding counties of Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana. The **Empty Bowls** event will be taking place at the McDonough on Saturday, December 1. **Empty Bowls** is an international project to fight hunger, personalized by artists and art organizations on a community level.

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Hours at the McDonough Museum of Art are Tuesday through Saturday, 11am until 4pm. The Museum is open to the public and admission is free.

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