



# illustration

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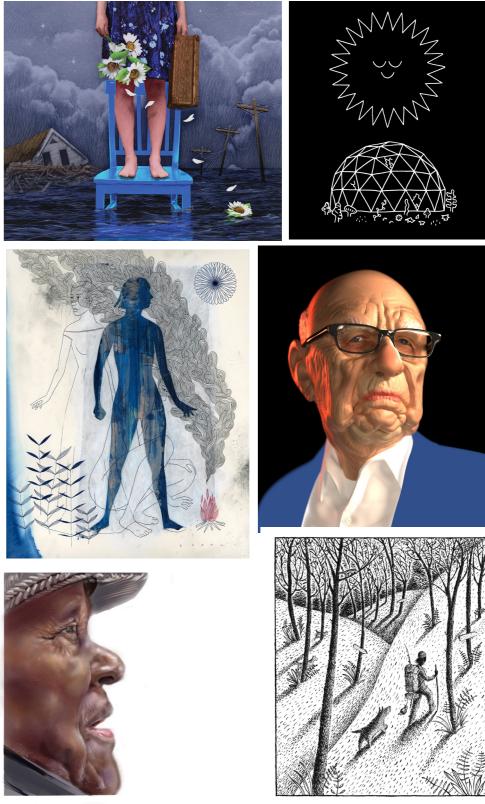
At MassArt you will produce a body of work far different from what you are anticipating. You will uncover and develop skills that will allow you to become skilled narrative or editorial artists, animators, 3D artists, mask-makers, printmakers, painters, technical illustrators. You might decide to continue on to graduate school or work for publishers, gaming companies, galleries, theatre groups and non profit organizations. Your creative passions will change the world around you.

Illustration by Dora Wang

# faculty

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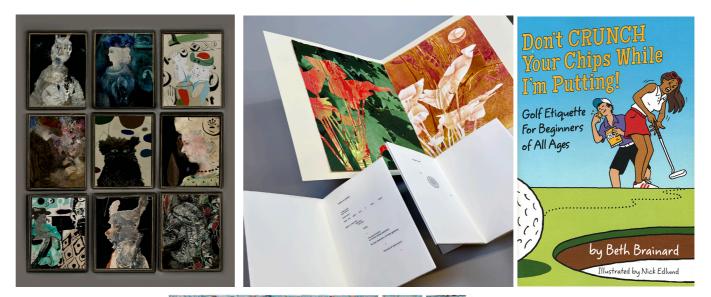
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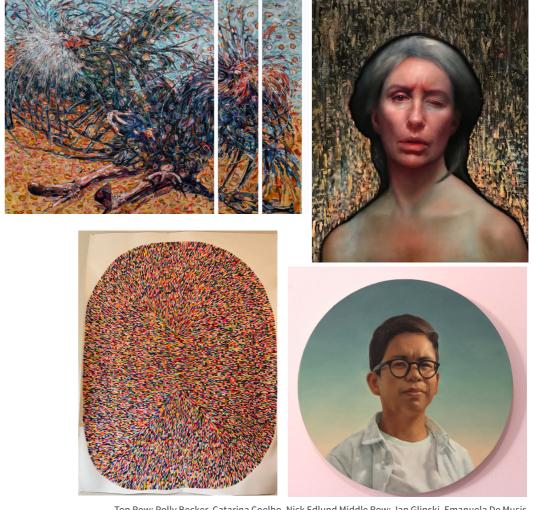


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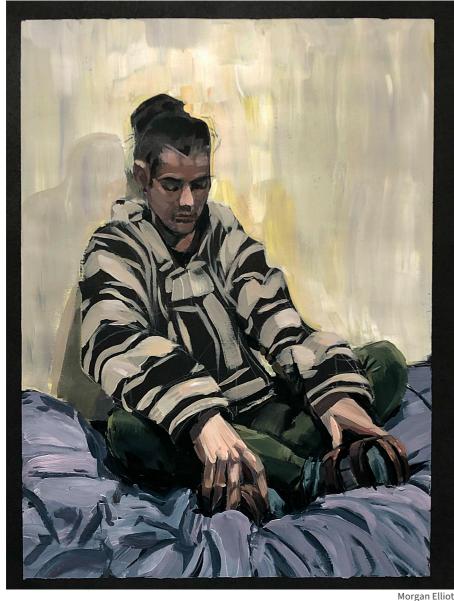
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### curriculum sophomore



**Media Techniques** covers traditional water-based media-- watercolor, acrylics, and gouache, addressing value, light, scale, etc.

**Color for Illustrators** provides essential understanding of color theory and application.

**Drawing: Observation to Concept** emphasizes seeing deeply, the eyehand-brain connection, and how strong observational skills combined with an exciting concept opens new territory.

**Digital Illustration** covers a range of basic - advanced digital drawing and painting skills.

**The Human Figure in Illustration** develops and expands the students expertise in using the human form-includes anatomical studies, self portraits, field studies, movement, hyperbole, distortion, etc.

Sophomore Illustration

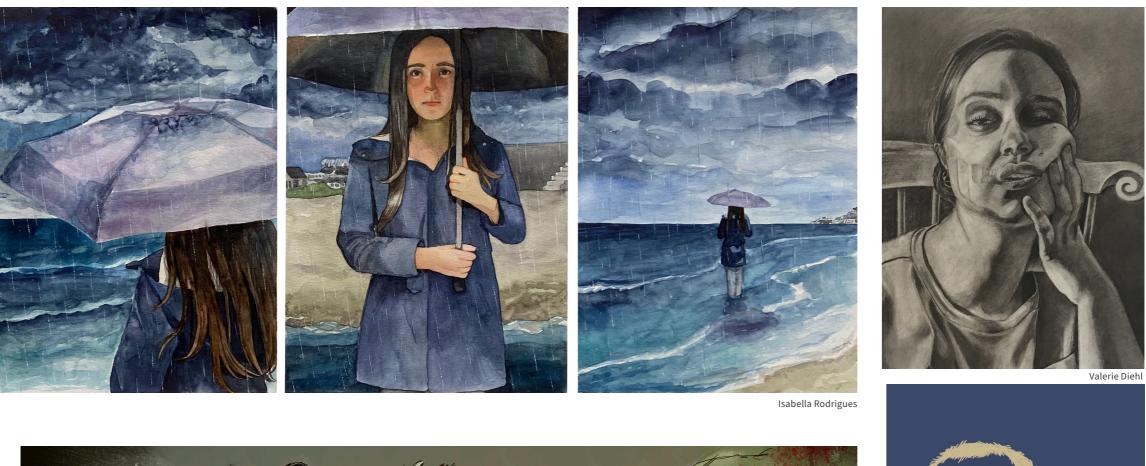
introduces students to the field of Illustration and various genres, including editorial and narrative and the importance of "living in the sketchbook" to develop strong concepts.



Isabella Rodrigue



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## curriculum junior



Junior Illustration employs

metaphor, juxtaposition, and other visual strategies, emphasizing risk taking to release personal voice. The value of rich conceptual content is stressed.

#### **Advanced Drawing Projects**

moves into more complicated and challenging visual problem solving, still employing an essentially observational approach.

**Word & Image** introduces type, lettering and page layout in concert with images. This course often includes at least one "real world" assignment in partnership with a local non profit organization.

**Technical Illustration** covers the principals and application of one and two point perspective drawing, plus a range of technical illustration techniques applied to botanical, medical and instructional assignments.



Alice Rufo



Vincent Lagrant



Jean Russo



Katie Cerato

George Smith

### curriculum senior



### Illustration Thesis Project Research is one of two required

thesis courses involving scholarly research: reading, writing and sketching toward in depth knowledge and creative expression around a topic of choice.

**Illustration Thesis Project Image Making** is the partner thesis course where research becomes visual and results in a substantial body of work, a bound graphic summary and a gallery exhibition.

**Senior Illustration** allows students to focus on their individual interests, tailored toward specific areas. Students are exposed to a range of guest speakers, high level illustration competitions, and other professional opportunities.

**Senior Illustration Portfolio** covers all aspects of packaging, networking, business and self-promotion aimed at specific illustration markets and creative application of unique skills. Developing a reliable professional studio practice is fostered through example and advice from panel presentations.



Sarah Eagen



Darius Serebrov

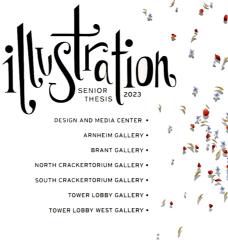
# thesis



### Thesis I & II

Students develop their personal voice in a concentrated, mindful way in two semester long courses which culminate in a campus wide exhibition.

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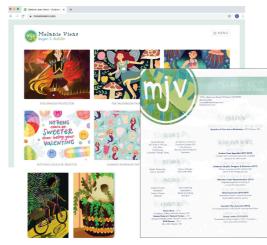
### senior portfolio



#### Senior Illustration & Portfolio

In Senior Illustration students create a series of images for a market of their choice. While in their Portfolio class they package and brand their work by putting it into context.

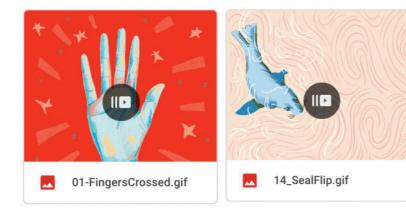
Student create everything necessary to enter a creative industry: website, business cards, resumes, and mailers. At the end of the semester all seniors take part in Portfolio Review & Night an event in which their portfolios are reviewed by a panel of art directors, industry professionals, their peers, and the public.





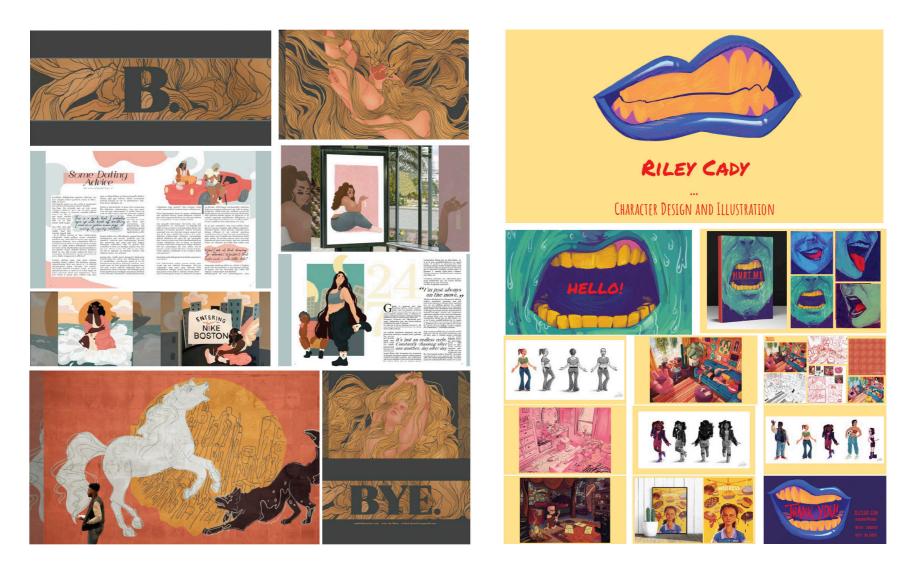








### senior portfolio





**Painting for Illustrators** explore various techniques using watercolor, gouache, acrylics, oil and mixed media in the development of advanced drawing and painting skills as they apply to illustration. .

Watercolor as medium for illustration. Emphasis is on value, light, and applied color theory, working toward an evocative and personal palette. Work of historical and contemporary illustrators is discussed.

**Experimental Illustration** explore a range of experimental techniques for both 2D and 3D illustration, including resists, transfers, layering, mixed media, collage that push the boundaries of the 2D/3D plane.

**Digital Painting and Techniques** an advanced digital painting course applying and combining traditional techniques in a digital format with emphasis on risk taking and experimentation.

**Editorial Illustration** enhance the ability to think, visually express opinions, ideas, and create unique, expressive imagery in concert with the written word.





Anna Rodman



Lexi Goumas

**Book Arts** learn bookbinding techniques to make your own sketchbooks and art books.

Advanced Drawing Project investigate informed drawing as a way of understanding objects, figures, animals, in terms of place. The practice of drawing is explored as means for research, inspiration, and expression.

**Advanced Figure Character Design** and Advanced Human Figure Drawing **Clothed** enhances the ability to draw the figure with authority through character design and clothing/costume. These classes explores subjects such as gesture, distortion, exaggeration, perspective, point of view, and stylization.

Illustrating Graphic Novels participate in a range of exercises designed to inform and create visual strategies for telling stories via the graphic novel format. Emphasis on character design, story arc and drawing techniques accompany a broad spectrum of narrative content choices.



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Katie Charpentier

**The Sketchbook** is a fundamental tool for visual exploration of artistic sensibilities and ideation. This is a traditional materials-based class including a combination of demonstrations, exploration of media and discussions of professional practice as relating to illustration. Students will be given assignments which could encourage them to explore the environment, their creative process and at times, getting out of the classroom into various locations around Boston to draw on location.

Narrative Illustration is an exploration of the power of storytelling power. Emphasis is on the research and drawing skills needed to develop strong characters in sequential imagery. Students work in a variety of media..

#### **Fundamentals of Game Design**

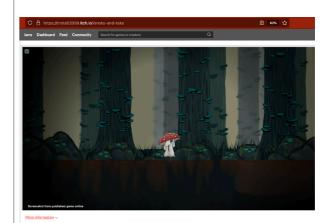
understand the principles of game production, as well as the role that games have in contemporary culture. Using traditional and digital art methods, create game prototypes through an exploration of system, character, and narrative design. This class focuses on game mechanics and their relationship to art, story and technology.



Madeline Ong



The Sketchbook Course on Location



Trista Yu



#### Focus on Community

Professional Freelance Illustration

Professional Illustration for the Community

These two courses provide students with a series of illustration assignments and the experience of working with community nonprofits, art directors, and the opportunity to see their work in print. Boston is g home to over 100 non-profit organizations..

Client List: Sky and Telescope Magazine, Charles River Watershed Assoc. Northeastern Magazine The American Cancer Society The Pet Gazette The Tufts University Magazine Half Price Books The Boston Globe The Boston Phoenix



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Jenna Bordinger



Ava Pomilla

Andy Xu





#### Focus on Community

#### **Murals As Public Art**

Murals are an accessible and equitable public art form.

More than just painting on a large scale, successful mural-making requires a broad set of skills. This class work collaborative to create the murals and includes the history of mural-making and contemporary practices as well as how to plan, apply for, manage and execute public art murals.



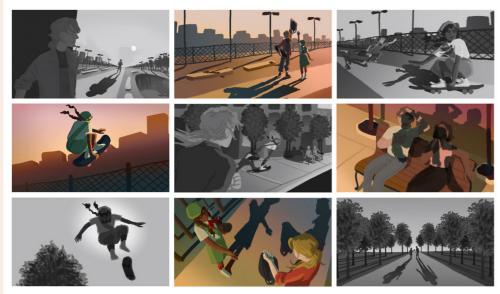
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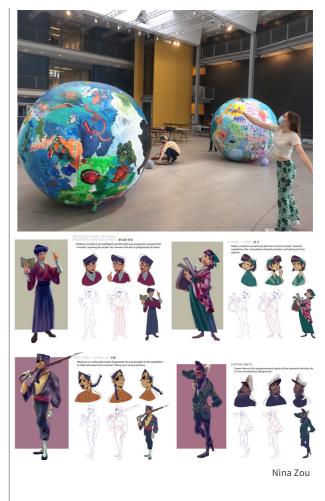
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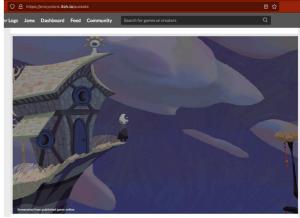
#### **Focus on Technology**

Virtual 3D Illustration This course teaches the basics of creating digital 3D illustrations using ZBrush. ZBrush is industry standard software that enables artists to sculpt directly in a 3D environment. With an emphasis on drawing and composition, this course explores ways to translate 2D drawings into three dimensions. Topics covered include, character development, environment, lighting and texture.

Advanced Virtual 3D Illustration further explorates ZBrush and it's many potentials. With an emphasis on environment building, students are challenged to design and create parts of game environments by combining assets such as, props, elements of nature and architecture.

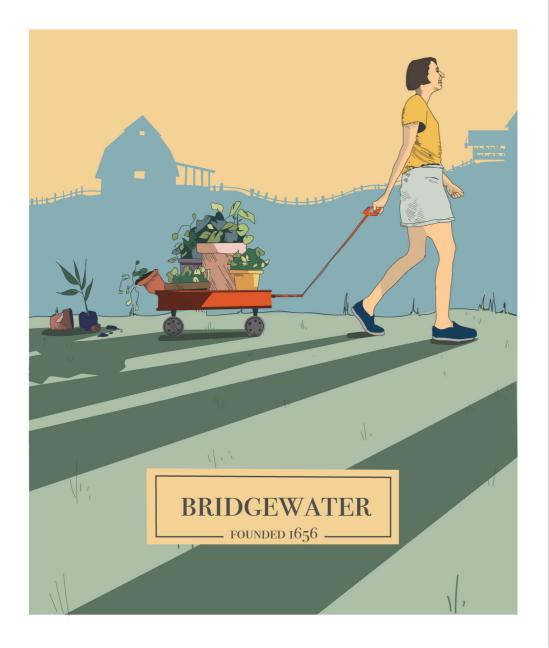
A heavy emphasis on narrative and storytelling through a sense of place is covered. Both interiors and exteriors are developed along with an introduction to character creation. In addition, students are taught to prepare a model for 3D printing.





Darius Serebrova

# internships



The best time to intern is during the summer as a Sophomore or junior. For more info contact Rebekah Wright: rwright@massart.edu

**Recent internships:** Anthropologie Arlington Community Media Artists for Humanity Barefoot Books Boston Center for the Arts Brookline Interactive Group Candlewick Press City of Providence Recreation Diocese of Bridgeport Eyewire Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival Griffin Museum of Photography Hawks and Reed Performing Arts Center Her Campus Media Horn Book Magazine Museum of Fine Arts Boston North Suburban YMCA Pilot, Inc. Pleasure in Pain Tattoo The GroundTruth Project The Umbrella **Community Arts Center** Union Screen Printing View Arts Center • ZyloTech





Max Sexton



Michelle Nutter

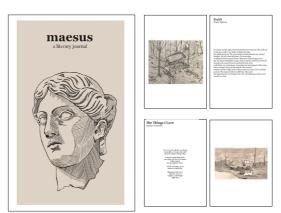
Sarah Egan

### independent studies



Juniors and Seniors may decide to do an Independent Study with a faculty member of their choice in order to focus on a topic that is not included in our curriculum.

Recent independent studies: Concept Art Gaming Sequential Art Sculpture and Lettering Mural Portfolio Comics Tattoo Portfolio Painting in Series Still Life Painting















Amanda Godowski

Mel Frederick

# competitions



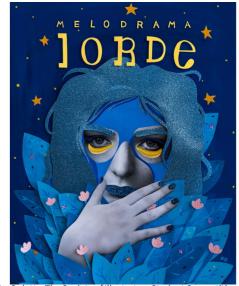
Sarah Eagen the Society of Illustrators

Student competitions are an opportunity for receiving national exposure and a headstart on launching a career.

All Illustration majors are required to enter the annual Society of Illustrators Student Competition and encouraged to seek other opportunities

#### **Recent Competitions:**

The Society of Illustrators Annual Student Competition MassArt Annual All School Show President's Gallery Charles River Watershed Pet Gazette Cover Bike Bible Issue Cover Handel & Haydn Society Create Magazine



Abby Oulette The Society of Illustrators Student Competition



Alexa Goumas Society of Illustrators Student Scholarship Exhibit



Darius Serebrova/Creative Quarterly Competition

# partnerships



### **H+H AND MASSART PARTNERSHIP**



#### Sarah Eagen

### The Handel & Haydn Society

partnership explores a multi-disciplinary learning approach between performing and visual arts.

Each season, juniors create original art in response to a masterwork being performed by H+H.

The students' artworks are judged by a jury and twelve are selected for display at Symphony Hall during the concert and featured in a virtual gallery .

Josselyn Siegel



Photo by Lara Silberklang



Al Cogan

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thesis 2023

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### exhibits portfolio





Thurs. 5 - 7 PM World 05/14/20 Wide Web

### ILLUSTRATION PORTFOLIO NIGHT

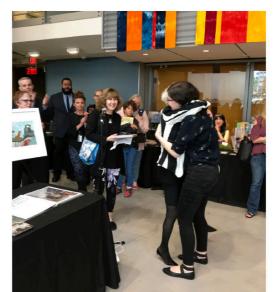
You are invited to celebrate the graduating seniors of MassArt's Illustration Class of 2020! To join us, please use the link that was included in this email.

#### **Portfolio Review & Night**

All seniors partake in a celebratory open house, the community is invited as well as industry professionals.











### exhibits H+H 2022



Ches Doyon





Madeleine Beaubien





Emma Hodgdon

Link Ahearn

## guest speakers



2021 ILLUSTRATION THE JOURNEY SO FAR MASSART ILLUSTRATION ALUMS VISIT THE CLASS! FEATURING CHINA BLUE ROCKETT DIEGO CHAVES MARYANN COCCA-LEFFLER THURSDAY MARCH 18, 2:00







Several department wide events each semester feature guest speakers and panelists of illustration and fine art professionals.

The Journey So Far: is an annual event featuring recent illustration graduates and their successes in the field.

> **Recent Guest Speakers: Rudy Guiterraz** Nathan Fowke David Pasquale Scott Fischer **Stephen Hamilton**







How Blue Q's Product Department Keeps It Weird

Thursday, April 18th, 1PM **Tower Auditorium** 







# field trips



Simon & Schuster, NYC/Portfolio Review

### Annual Field Trips Include:

The Rockwell Museum
The Clark Museum, Williams College
The Illustration Museum, Newport
The Society of Illustrators
New Britain Museum
of American Illustration

Hartford Wadsworth

Museum of Fine Arts

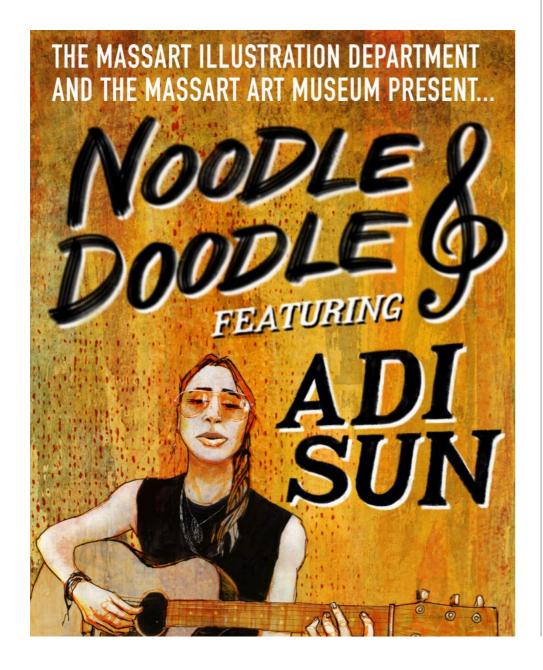
Comics is a Medium Boston Univeristy

Simon & Schuster, NYC Portfolio Review





# community

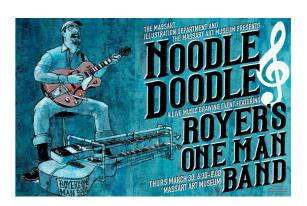


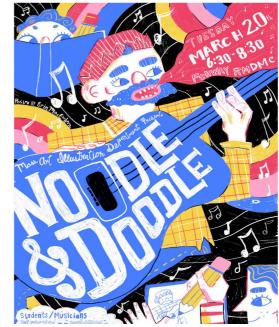
#### **Model Drawing**

The department schedules 30 additional hours of model drawing beyond the classroom. These sessions are open to all members of the college community.

### **Noodle and Doodle Sessions**

Drawing from life and live music intersect. Models are also musicians playing acoustic instruments. A festive night, held a few times a year in the DMC or at MAAM.

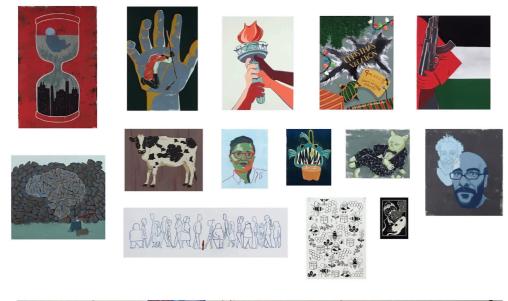








# Reviews





#### End of Semester Reviews

Each Illustration major is reviewed at the end of the semester. Reviews are advisory; they do not impact course grades. They provide an opportunity for students to see their entire semester's effort next to their peers, and to receive written feedback from three faculty members or professional reviewers.

The final review for Seniors is a professional portfolio review.







Alex Lewis