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Letterpress artist Amos Kennedy joins MIAD Creativity Series Nov. 11

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Summary: MIAD Creativity Series with Amos Kennedy, Wed., Nov. 11, 6 p.m.

273 E. Erie St., Free Admission, miad.edu/creativityseries



PRESS RELEASE

MILWAUKEE...Known for his socially provocative work, letterpress artist and bookmaker Amos Kennedy joins the MIAD Creativity Series on Wednesday, November 11, 6 p.m., in the Fourth Floor Raw Space of the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, 273 E. Erie Street. Immediately following the public presentation, a meet and greet with Kennedy will be held in the first floor lobby from 7:30 – 8 p.m.

Kennedy will be participating in several classes throughout his visit, including: Senior Writing: Making Meaning, taught by Judith Harway; Understanding the Visual I, taught by Chelsea Holton; and Rina Yoon's open studio for printmaking.

Throughout his weeklong visit to MIAD beginning Monday, November 9, Kennedy will be an artist in action. The community is invited to witness him print in public spaces and view the variety of prints that tile MIAD's walls. Kennedy's work will be for sale during his visit, large prints cost \$20 and small prints cost \$5. Individual prints are also available through Kennedy's website, www.kennedyprints.com.

About Amos Kennedy:

Kennedy left his corporate job at age 40 to pursue his passion for printing. Today he is a well-known letterpress artist and the subject of the 2008 critically acclaimed documentary, "Proceed and Be Bold!," produced by Brown Finch Films.

Kennedy studied under Walter Hamady, a legendary book designer and papermaker, earning an MFA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1997. He taught graphic design at the Henry Radford Hope School of Fine Arts at Indiana University before moving home to the Deep South to dedicate himself to printing full time.

View a trailer of the documentary "Proceed and Be Bold!"

About the MIAD Creativity Series:

Immediate Past MIAD Board Chair Madeleine Kelly Lubar and her husband, David, founded The MIAD Creativity Series in 2012. The MIAD Creativity Series brings distinctive and internationally renowned creatives to Milwaukee from a range of visual arts disciplines.

Previous visiting creatives include: Mark Rios, Dana Schutz & Ryan Johnson, James Ludwig, Nicola López & Gandalf Gaván, Dana Arnett, Mark Dziersk and Robert Sabuda.

At the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, students driven to become creative professionals have the freedom to develop their talents beyond traditional boundaries while immersed in a transformative studio, academic and career-driven curriculum. On graduation, they join thousands of successful MIAD alumni whose talents are continuously in demand, and whose lifework is driven by the passion to inspire, problem solve and innovate for our economy and society.