## MILWAUKEE INSTITUTE OF ART& DESIGN

## Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Exhibit arrives at MIAD August 21, 2017

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**Summary:** Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Exhibit, August 21 – October 8, 2017

MIAD's Frederick Layton Gallery, 273 E. Erie St., Free admission;

Opening Reception: Thursday, September 7, 6 – 8 p.m.



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MILWAUKEE... The Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Exhibit, the latest exhibition to arrive at the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design (MIAD), showcases more than 30 local artists who are garnering international recognition. The exhibit is on view in MIAD's Frederick Layton Gallery August 21 – October 8, 2017. The Opening Reception is Thursday, September 7, 6 – 8 p.m.

The exhibit features artists who have received the Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Travel Award, an award from the Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Export Fund that supports Milwaukee artists to travel around the world to exhibit their artwork. Specifically, the award program aims to "contribute to the creative health of the region by supporting local artists at all career stages, from the emerging to the established, alleviating some of the financial burden faced by artists who want to exhibit their work at a distance, and by getting the work of Milwaukee artists out into the world," according to the Lynden Sculpture Garden website.

"The Milwaukee area has a robust arts scene and doesn't get as much credit as it should, given the quality of the people in it," says Mark Lawson, MIAD's Director of Galleries. That's why MIAD is proud to showcase the talents of these local artists who are gaining international exposure for their work in this exhibit.

The artwork on display ranges from drawings and sculptures to photography and films, including work by two MIAD professors, Rina Yoon and Jason Yi. There will be special screenings of the films — Matthew Konkel's film "Neptune" will play on Thursday, September 28 at 7 p.m. Short films by Andrew Swant and Mark Borchardt will screen on Thursday, October 5 at 7 p.m.

The Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Exhibit and all related programming is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Free gallery tours are available at miad.edu/gallerytours.

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.