



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

## Art Museum

*College of Visual and Performing Arts*

# Group Visit and Guided Tours

Experience Northern Illinois University Art Museum's exhibitions and collection first-hand! Discover new and interesting contemporary art or explore the richness of traditional visual media with your class, social group, or business colleagues on a guided tour or a self-directed visit.



## Gallery Guidelines

To help make your experience a positive one, please follow these guidelines for an enjoyable visit and to protect the artwork on display.

Do ask questions!

Explore and look closely, but refrain from touching the artwork.

Do use a pencil to take notes or sketch. (Pencils are available for group assignments.) No pens, markers, or other permanent materials are allowed.

Backpacks, bags, and large or bulky items should be checked at the Gallery Attendant's desk.

No food or drinks are allowed in the galleries; School groups may enjoy picnic lunches near the East Lagoon.

Please do not lean against the walls, doors, or fixtures in the galleries.

No rowdiness or shouting in order to encourage quiet contemplation for all visitors.

Photography for personal use is permitted, but flash photography, tripods, monopods, or photography for commercial uses are not permitted. Artwork on loan may not be photographed without prior permission. Photographers are responsible for copyright compliance.

NIU is smoke-free and does not permit firearms on campus.

### *Our Mission*

Serving Campus and  
Community by  
Balancing Traditional  
and Contemporary Art to  
Explore the Connections  
Made through Visual  
Culture.

## Arrange a Group Visit or Guided Tour

We welcome group visits and guided tours, but request advance notice for large groups of ten or more people before arriving at the museum. To make a reservation today please phone our Education Coordinator at 815-753-1936 or complete the Group Visit and Guided Tour reservation online at [niu.edu/artmuseum/events/groups.shtml](http://niu.edu/artmuseum/events/groups.shtml) or by downloading the online pdf.

## A note about Audiences

Tours can be tailored to meet your group's specific needs or curriculum objectives with the Education Coordinator in advance. Please note that some of our exhibitions explore challenging, contemporary subject matter and may not be suitable for all audiences. We recommend that visitors contact the Museum before organizing visits with young children. Please use discretion when considering the age appropriateness of the exhibition's subject matter.

Space limitations, layout, safety, and fragility of the artwork in the exhibition and other scheduled groups impact our ability to accommodate very large or multiple groups at a single time. We may schedule additional gallery attendants or divide your group into smaller tours.



## Gallery Hours

Open to the public

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.;  
Thursday Noon – 7 p.m.; Sunday: Noon - 4 p.m.;  
and by appointment for group tours.

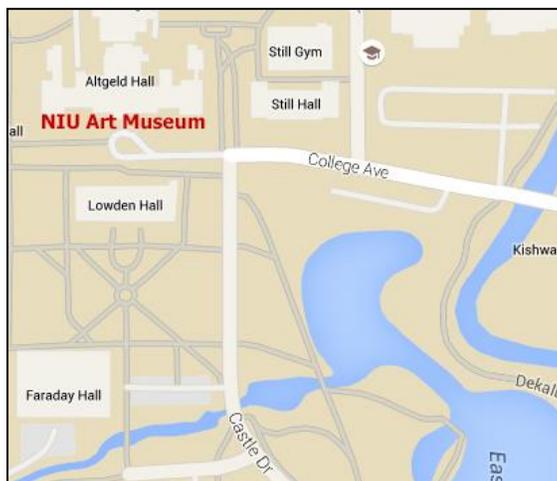
*Closed during the summer, between exhibitions and during university holidays.*

## Admission

Admission is Free, but donations are appreciated.

## Location

The galleries and our administrative offices are located on the first floor, west end of Altgeld Hall at the corner of College Ave. and Castle Dr. on the NIU campus in DeKalb, Illinois.



## Bus Parking

Drop-off and pick-up is available at the corners of College Avenue and Castle Drive or in Lot 3 Northeast of Gilbert Dr. and College Ave. Bus parking can be coordinated with Transportation Services by phoning 815-753-1558.

Parking is available in the Carroll Ave. Visitor's Pay Lot located at 200 Carroll Ave., DeKalb, east of Annie Glidden Road on Lincoln Hwy. Limited metered spots and handicapped parking is available in front of Altgeld and Lowden Hall.

Campus parking is free on weekends and after 5 p.m. weeknights.

## Driving Directions

### From the West

Exit I-88 at Annie Glidden Road.

### From the East

Via I-90: Exit at Rt. 47 South to Rt. 38 West to Annie Glidden Road. Via I-88: Exit at Annie Glidden Road.

### From the North or South

Exit I-39 to I-88 East to Annie Glidden Road.

From Annie Glidden, traveling east on Lincoln Hwy./Route 38, turn left onto Castle Dr. at the light, before the lagoon. At the College Ave. intersection turn left, Altgeld is the castle building on your right.

From downtown DeKalb, traveling west on Lincoln Hwy./Route 38, turn right onto Castle Dr. at the light past the lagoon. At the College Ave. intersection turn left, Altgeld is the castle building on your right.