**INNOVATION LAB NEWSLETTER**

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**WELCOME & GOODBYE**

*Welcome* our new Sound Arts interns from Minneapolis Community & Technical College. *Andres Martinez* is a musician, sound designer, and international student from Venezuela. Starting April 16, he will teach "Fundamentals of Recording." *Lab hours*: Mon 12-4, Tues 10-1, and Thurs 10-1.

*Christina Freed* is passionate about music and a writer of poems and lyrics. She created easy guides to find sound effects and free beats online. *Lab hours*: Mon 3-8, Sat 1-4, and Sun 1-5.

*Goodbye* to amazing volunteer and artist, Z Akhmetova. Z will be starting a new job at Arlington Hills Community Center. Be sure to visit Z during Art Crawl and sign up for the last two sessions of "Make Stuffed Animals with Z." We’ll miss you in the Lab, but glad you’re joining the SPPL team!

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**SPRING 2018 ART CRAWL**

George Latimer is a gallery site for this Spring’s Saint Paul Art Crawl. Students from Creative Arts Secondary School and Innovation Lab members will have their work on display and available for purchase, April 27-29.

Join us for an opening reception in the Bremer Community Room on Friday, Apr 27, 6-9 p.m. to meet the artists. Be sure to stop by Lab After Dark on 3rd floor and make Kumihumo Knots with artist Jade Pelton from 5:30-7 p.m.

*Featured work by Innovation Lab members, clockwise:* Zak Stephens, Valerie Roy, and Z Akhmetova.

Art Crawl Hours: Friday, 6-10 PM Saturday, 12-8 PM, Sunday, 12-5PM

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**DATA THERAPY**

Staff visited the MIT campus last month to kick off a new partnership with MIT Media Lab's Center for Civic Media. Amanda Feist and Xenia Hernández were trained by Data Culture Project researchers Rahul Bhargava (MIT) and Catherine D’Ignazio (Emerson College) to lead "Data Therapy" workshops. The workshops aim to help to everyone—regardless of technical skill—find stories in everyday data and recognize bias through fun, hands-on activities. All workshops will be at George Latimer Central Library, with special guest Rahul Bhargava co-facilitating the May workshop. See page 2 for dates. *Funded by the Knight Foundation's Public Library Innovation Exchange grant.*
MEET YOUR MEMBERS: AN INTERVIEW WITH LISA-MARIE GREENLY

Lisa-Marie is a Saint Paul resident and local artist, better known as LMNOP. She paints Gouache (opaque watercolor) miniature paintings, and is working on a graphic novel full of illustrations she did on her Galaxy Note II smartphone, based on her experience at the 2017 Women's March in Washington, D.C.

During and after the Women's March, LMNOP knew that the experience was life-changing. She took pictures and gathered stories and experiences, but was not really sure what she wanted to do with them, until she watched a Netflix documentary called She Makes Comics, and was inspired to make her own comic-style illustrations.

LMNOP took advantage of the Learn Lynda.com class offered bi-monthly in the WIN Center. She used Lynda.com to learn about creating a graphic novel, storyboarding, using Dropbox to backup her art in the cloud, and keeping her Photoshop skills sharp. LMNOP also takes advantage of the Photoshop CC 2018 software available at the library, especially if she is working on large files, which her computer at home might not be able to handle.

All of this has allowed her to create and assemble her 50 page graphic novel with over 200 illustrations in about 5 months! She is currently in talks with Wise Ink, a Minneapolis-based publisher, to publish her book.

When asked what the Innovation Lab has allowed her to do, LMNOP said, "having the library as a resource is amazing. From doing research on other graphic novel illustrators, to the classes you teach, to the staff as a resource...all of those are brilliant."

See more of her work at: www.facebook.com/LMNOP.art

CALENDAR

Library is CLOSED Monday, May 7 for Staff Day & May 26, 27, 28 for Memorial Day.

Learn the Sewing Machine
Mondays, 4-5 PM

Mending Clinic
Tuesdays, 2-3 PM

Learn 3D Printing
Thursdays, 2-3 PM

Learn Laser Engraving
Fridays, 1-3 PM

Adobe Premiere Lab
Saturdays, 2:30-4:30 PM

New Member Orientation
Sat, Apr 14, 11 AM
Mon, Apr 23; May 14, 5:30 PM
Wed, May 2, 10 AM

Make Your Cat an Internet Celebrity Learn video and social media strategies.
Sat, April 15, 2-3 PM

Make Stuffed Animals with Z
Sundays, Apr 15, 22, 2-4 PM

Fundamentals of Recording
Mon, Apr 16, 23, 30, 2-3:30 PM

Create a Free or Low-Cost Website
Mon, Apr 16 5:30-7:30 PM

Adult Coloring
Tues, Apr 17; May 15, 2:30 PM

Steps to Starting your Business
Saturdays, 10 AM - 12 noon
April 14, Business Concepts
April 21, Marketing Plan
April 28, Financial Projections
May 5, Funding Sources

Microbusiness Networking Lunch
Wed, Apr 19, 11:30-1 PM

WordPress Security Tips
Tues, Apr 24 10-11:30 AM

Intro to Photoshop, 3 days
Apr 24, 25, 26, 3-5 PM
Repeats, May 22, 23, 24, 3-5 PM

Lab After Dark:
Kumihumo Knots
Fri, Apr 27, 5:30-7 PM

Art Crawl Opening Reception
Fri, Apr 27, 6-9 PM

Make and Take Art (all ages)
Sat, Apr 28, 1-4:30 PM

Festival Origami
Sun, Apr 29, 1:30-4:30 PM

Data Therapy
Mon, Apr 30, 5-7 PM
Repeats May 21, 5:30-7:30 PM
Repeats Jun 11, 5:30-7:30 PM

Machine Sewing Basics
Saturday, May 12, 2-4 PM

Finding Grants with Andrea
Monday, May 14, 1:30-3 PM

Lab After Dark:
Coiled Paper Jewelry
Friday, May 25, 5:30-7 PM

Intro to Google Drive, 2 days
May 29, 30, 3-5 PM

We have a new number!
To register please call
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or email us at
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