

# INTEGRATIVE ARTS BULLETIN

May 2025

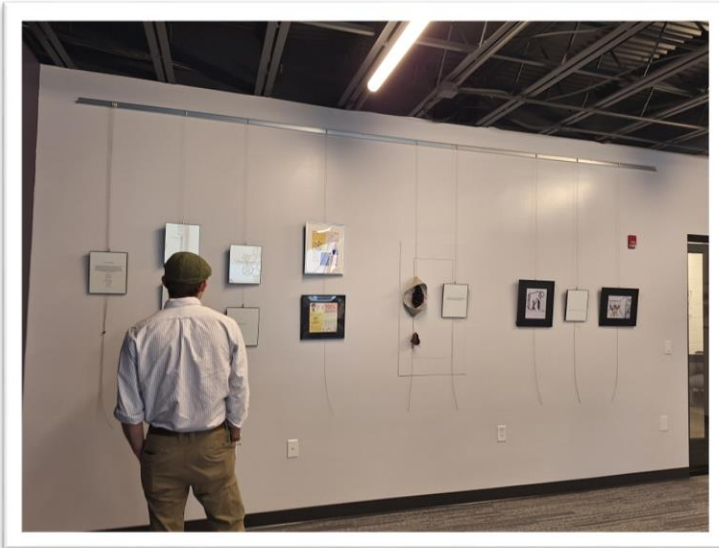
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## Opportunities

### Artist/Performer Calls

- **JMU Collaboratory at Harrisonburg Innovation Hub**
  - The Office of Creative Propulsion seeks **artist submissions** for works to be exhibited in the JMU Collaboratory at the [Harrisonburg Innovation Hub](#), 25 N. Liberty Street, Harrisonburg. There is no theme or restrictions on subject matter. Exhibitions will have an opening reception as part of Arts Council of the Valley's "First Fridays," from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. Submission form [HERE](#); deadline for the August and September First Fridays exhibit is **July 8**. Please contact [ocp@jmu.edu](mailto:ocp@jmu.edu) for complete submission guidelines.



- The Office of Creative Propulsion seeks **performers** (musical, interactive, literary, movement-based) during First Fridays, from 5 pm-7 pm., at the JMU Collaboratory at the Harrisonburg Innovation Hub, 25 N. Liberty Street, Harrisonburg. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis through 2025. Application form [HERE](#). Please contact [ocp@jmu.edu](mailto:ocp@jmu.edu) for complete submission guidelines.

- **ArtsMobile**

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- The Office of Creative Propulsion seeks **artist submissions** for work to be exhibited in the ArtsMobile during [Best.Weekend.Ever](#) (Saturday, June 14), sponsored by Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance. Submission form [HERE](#); deadline for the June First Fridays exhibit is **May 7**. Please contact [ocp@jmu.edu](mailto:ocp@jmu.edu) for complete submission guidelines.



- **Smith House Galleries - Arts Council of the Valley**
  - Emerging and established artists are invited to apply for the 2026 exhibition schedule at Arts Council of the Valley's Smith House Galleries. Guidelines and application form [HERE](#); Deadline: May 15, 2025, 11:59 pm.

## Interdisciplinary Courses

Join us in the JMU Collaboratory at the [Harrisonburg Innovation Hub](#), 25 N. Liberty Street, Harrisonburg on Friday, May 2, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. to experience the final projects from OCP's Spring 2025 interdisciplinary course, **ART401E** (undergrad) / **IART501E** (grad) *Time and Art: Theory and Practice in Time for Interdisciplinary Collaboration*. This one-night pop-up event will be OCP's May First Friday exhibition.

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Have an idea for an interdisciplinary course? We'd love to talk to you about it! Email us at [ocp@jmu.edu](mailto:ocp@jmu.edu).

## Announcements

### Integrative Arts Fellows

- The Office of Creative Propulsion invites you to join Integrative Arts Fellow **Javier Padilla** for an **Open Studio** on **Friday, May 2**, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm., at Studio Theatre in the Forbes Center.



Join choreographer Javier Padilla for a work-in-progress showing of "how to tell the future", a genre-blurring immersive dance theater experience that unpacks our collective obsession with fortune telling as a way to outrun grief. Equal parts TedTalk, fever dream, and tragic comedy, this performance invites you to become part of the world—as an observer, a conspirator, or even an unwitting assistant. This special showing, approximately 45 minutes in length, focuses on experimenting with audience

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interaction: when you're pulled in, how you engage, and what you walk away feeling. Stick around for a talkback session afterward to share your thoughts and help shape the next phase of this evolving piece. We hope you can make it!

- 2024-25 Fellows Myer Kim, Javier Padilla, and Traci Wile will present recent creative projects at OCP's **End of Year Celebration** on **Monday, May 12** from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Roop 208. All are welcome! Please [RSVP here](#) by May 5.



## OCP on the Move

This summer, OCP will move to 131 W. Grace Street, across the street from Studio Center! We anticipate that the new space will open up more opportunities for collaboration, community building, and facilitation of new work. Look for an invitation to our Grand Opening in early 2026!

## Imagining America Updates

- **Building Communities of Care** As members of Imagining America, the JMU community is invited to participate in this monthly online forum created for the IA network. Please join us in taking this opportunity to connect with others, share experiences, and find support. Registration is open for discussions on [May 7](#), and [June 4](#), 2025.

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- [IA Hubbub](#) is a new podcast series on art, ecology, and public scholarship which spotlights projects from across the IA network.

## OCP Dates to Remember

- **TIME OUT // TIME IN: Collaborative Exploration in Time and Art** First Fridays of the Valley. May 2, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; JMU Collaboratory at the [Harrisonburg Innovation Hub](#), 25 N. Liberty Street, Harrisonburg.
- **OCP End-of-Year Celebration** May 12, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.; Roop Hall, Room 208. [RSVP here](#) by May 5.
- **ArtsMobile Engagement** at *Best. Weekend. Ever* Saturday, June 14, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

## Community Arts Events

- **The Woolgatherer** May 1-4, 7:30 p.m.; The Cellar at Liberty Mercantile. Presented by [Eunoia Theatre Ensemble](#). Info and tickets [here](#).
- **First Fridays of the Valley** May 2, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; downtown Harrisonburg and beyond. Click [here](#) for venue and opening reception details.
- **The Last Wide Open** (Regional Premiere) May 9-11 and May 16-18, pre-show concert at 6:00 p.m. and play at 7:00 p.m.; Silk Moth Stage, western Rockingham County. Pre-order a picnic or bring your own. Info and tickets [here](#).
- **Songwriter Showcase** May 17, 8:00 – 11:00 p.m.; Sage Bird Ciderworks

[Subscribe to our Google Arts Calendar](#) to discover more events in the area!

## little Gallery Underground

- **Symphony of Abstraction** artworks by JMU student (and Integrative Arts Fellow) Myer Y. Kim. April 2-May 11; [JMU Music Library](#) (lower level of the Music Building, room B59).

## Forbes Center for the Performing Arts

Visit the [Forbes Center website](#) for program and ticketing information.

- **{re}written** an original devised production created and performed by students in collaboration with faculty from the JMU School of Theatre and Dance. April 29-May 3, 7:30 pm; May 4, 2:00 pm; Mainstage Theatre
- **JMU Symphonic Band and Concert Band** May, 7:30 pm; Concert Hall
- **Cello Stories: A Life Under Broadway** with Mairi Dorman-Phaneuf, May 2, 7:30 pm; Concert Hall

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- **JMU Madison Singers and Chorale** May 4, 2:00 pm; Concert Hall
- **JMU Guitar Ensemble** May 5, 7:00 pm; Recital Hall
- **JMU Treble Chamber Choir and University Choruses** May 6, 7:30 pm; Concert Hall
- **JMU Wind Symphony** May 8, 7:30pm; Concert Hall