FAU Libraries Honor Arthur Jaffe with ‘Time Flies When You’re Having Fun’ Exhibition

The free exhibition begins on Sunday, May 8, and runs through Wednesday, August 10, at FAU’s Wimberly Library, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. For more information, contact John Cutrone at 561-297-0455 or jcutrone@fau.edu, or visit www.jaffecollection.org.

The “Time Flies When You’re Having Fun” exhibition is the backdrop for the library’s summerlong celebration in honor of Arthur Jaffe, founder and curator of the Arthur and Mata Jaffe Center, who turns 90 on Saturday, May 7, and is retiring. The exhibition features a timeline of Jaffe’s life, photographs, ephemera, and artists’ books and broadsides that artists have donated in honor of Jaffe’s birthday and retirement. Jaffe requests that no personal gifts be given to mark his milestones, but suggests donations to the Jaffe Center for Book Arts Education Fund. For more information, contact John Cutrone at 561-297-0455 or visit www.jaffecollection.org. The exhibition can be viewed during library hours, which are available by calling 561-297-3770 or at www.library.fau.edu/geninfo/hours.htm

FAU Libraries Host ‘Time Flies’ Open House to Honor Arthur Jaffe

The free open house will be Saturday, May 21, from 1 to 4 p.m. at FAU’s Wimberly Library, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. For more information, contact John Cutrone at 561-297-0455 or jcutrone@fau.edu, or visit www.jaffecollection.org.

The “Time Flies When You’re Having Fun” Open House is part of FAU Libraries’ summerlong celebration in honor of Arthur Jaffe, founder and curator of the Arthur and Mata Jaffe Center, who turns 90 on Saturday, May 7, and is retiring. Festivities include letterpress demonstrations, tours, a Poem Depot with the Miami Poetry Collective, chats with Jaffe and an unveiling of “Student Body Art,” a photo exhibition of students and their tattoos by Z. McCarthy-Koppisch. The photos are from “Stories on the Skin: Tattoo Culture at FAU,” a long-term education research project inspired by Jaffe with the collaboration of Karen Leader, Ph.D., FAU’s Visual Arts and History department. The backdrop for the celebration is the “Time Flies When You’re Having Fun” exhibition, which runs Sunday, May 8, through Wednesday, August 10, at the Wimberly Library. Jaffe requests that no personal gifts be given to mark his birthday or retirement, but suggests donations to the Jaffe Center for Book Arts Education Fund. The celebration also includes the “Time Flies When You’re Having Fun” exhibition, which features a timeline of Jaffe’s life, photographs, ephemera, and artists’ books and broadsides that artists have donated in honor of Jaffe’s birthday and retirement. The exhibition runs Sunday, May 8, through
`Playful Ways of Approaching Artists Books’
Workshop Honors Arthur Jaffe, Center’s founder

The Arthur and Mata Jaffe Center for Book Arts at Florida Atlantic University Libraries is hosting visual artist Lisa Switalski, who will teach a workshop titled “Explore, Invent, Inspire: Playful Ways of Approaching Artists’ Books” on Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Switalski works mainly in books and papermaking, and has taught courses at Rutgers, workshops in Chicago, New Jersey, Connecticut and Florida, and this summer she will teach in Cortona, Italy, through the University of Georgia.

Her workshop is designed to be playful, expansive and imaginative as participants explore how to generate ideas for artists' books through word games, maps, and writing from images. Students will make multiple “instant” and accordion fold books to turn their experiments into physical forms, and learn strategies for tapping into their ideas.

The workshop will be at Jaffe Center, which is housed at the Wimberly Library on FAU’s Boca Raton campus, and is open to the public and for all skill levels. Costs are $95 for the public, $75 for FAU faculty, staff and students from other campuses and $55 for FAU students. Registration is required. Participants should bring an object of personal significance and an exacto knife, ruler, a bone folder and a variety of writing implements.

This is the first in a summerlong series of workshops to celebrate Arthur Jaffe, the center’s founder and curator, who turns 90 on Saturday, May 7, and has announced his retirement.

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