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Visiting Artists Lecture Series

## International Artist Wendy White to speak at Herron School of Art and Design on April 16

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Wendy White  
Image courtesy Wendy White

Artist **Wendy White**, who has achieved international recognition in a relatively short amount of time, will speak at Herron School of Art and Design on April 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Basile Auditorium of Eskenazi Hall.

Her large-scale works blend elements of painting, sculpture and installation. She's been written about in publications from *Art Forum* to the *New York Times*. She has dozens of group and solo shows under her belt—including a 2010 group exhibition at the Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art. White is a 2003 MFA graduate of Rutgers' Mason Gross School of Art.

Her appearance in Indianapolis is courtesy of Herron's Active Student Artists (ASA) group. **Andrey Sichuga**, a junior painting major and second-term president of the organization, becomes animated at the thought of her pending arrival. "Students are excited about her talk," he said, "because she challenges lots of principles of art and is interested in interacting with students here."

**Robert Horvath**, an assistant professor of painting, invited White to Herron on behalf of ASA. "She's just been included in the second volume of *Vitamin P*, an important global survey of contemporary painters," he noted. "She's represented

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by major New York galleries. She's successful at getting attention and someone the students should be looking up to as an example of what's happening now."

To get a feel for the inventiveness of her work, consider the Connecticut native's recent smash show in Chicago. *Pick up a Knock* featured the theme of soccer "flopping." In many sports circles, this technique of faking out an official to call a foul is a standard tactical practice. White employed it as a commentary "... about failure, American values, professional sports and decrepit gyms," according to the show's catalog. Picture a full space, featuring nine very large paintings and photographs on vinyl, set off by wall-to-wall Astroturf on the gallery floor.

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Limited parking is available in the Sports Complex Garage just west of Herron. Park in the visitor side of the garage and bring your ticket to the Herron Galleries for validation. Complimentary parking courtesy of **The Great Frame Up**.

Parking in the surface lot next to Herron School of Art and Design requires a valid IUPUI parking permit at all times.