



## **KyCAD faculty to unveil their new ‘Candy Factory’ studios to public during first week of November**

Two events: ‘soft opening’ and Open Studio Weekend

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*Louisville, KY*—Nine professors with the Kentucky College of Art + Design at Spalding University will be opening their studios to the public for the first time early next month.

The public debut of the Candy Factory studios will be a double-header, beginning with a soft opening on the evening of Thursday, Nov. 2, followed by participation in the community-wide Open Studio Weekend on Nov. 4-5.

Even outside the classroom, members of the KyCAD faculty continue their art practice, exhibiting nationally and internationally and remaining actively engaged in the creative and cultural activities of their community.

In late 2016 KyCAD located a building suitable for faculty studio space at 825 S. Floyd St., just east of the main campus. The building was once used as a factory for National Candy Company, along with many other uses over



the years. The KyCAD studios occupy the second floor of the structure.

“We've been working in this space for almost a year, and we're very excited to be opening the studios to the public,” said Assistant Professor Lori Larusso, an organizer of the events who will be among those showing their artwork. “This is a great opportunity to meet KyCAD faculty and discover their work and process.”

A wide variety of art will be on view—installation, painting, sculpture, digital media, photography, video—during both events. Much of it will also be available for purchase. You can see samples of the artwork [here](#).

The soft opening is free. Open Studio Weekend is a ticketed event, in which patrons pay a single fee to visit as many studios as they wish. More information about the event and tickets is available [here](#).

Open Studio Weekend is a partnership of Louisville Visual Art and the University of Louisville Hite Art Institute to raise funds for LVA's signature program, [Children's Fine Art Classes](#), and the Hite Art Institute's [Mary Spencer Nay Scholarship](#) programs.

Besides the KyCAD artwork on view at the Candy Factory, individual works by KyCAD faculty members Laurie Fader and Matt Walsh were selected for inclusion in the 2017 Open Studio Weekend juried exhibition at U of L's [Cressman Center for Visual Arts](#), 100 E. Main St.

The panel consisted of three jurors, all of whom are regional curators: Susan Tinney, Owner of Tinney Contemporary in Nashville, TN; Cal Cullen, Executive Director of Wave Pool gallery in Cincinnati, OH; and Sarah Brown, Gallery Director at Parachute Factory in Lexington, KY. The competition included work submitted by more than 80 artists.

KyCAD offers students five areas of study from which to choose as they pursue a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art from Spalding. The five areas are: Digital Media, General Fine Arts, Graphic Design, Interdisciplinary Sculpture, and Painting and Drawing. KyCAD also offers concentrations in pre-art therapy and illustration. Learn more at [kycad.spalding.edu](http://kycad.spalding.edu).

### **Candy Factory Soft Opening**

First public access to KyCAD faculty studios

825 S. Floyd St., Second Floor

11.02.17, 6-9pm



## Open Studio Weekend

Candy Factory and other art studios all over town  
11.04.17 + 11.05.17, noon-6pm

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THE KENTUCKY COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN AT SPALDING UNIVERSITY (KyCAD) is a 501(c)(3) started in 2009 with the vision to build one of the top art schools in the nation. Students in the KyCAD program can receive a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art from Spalding University. KyCAD maintains a variety of arts outreach programs, including the 849 Gallery, which showcases rotating exhibitions, lectures and workshops by artists from KyCAD and from across the country. [KyCAD.spalding.edu](http://KyCAD.spalding.edu)