

Historia Artis, NIU's Art History Student Organization, seeks to foster awareness and understanding of art history as a lens through which the vastly diverse expressions of visual communication manifest themselves throughout time, history, and culture. We are organized as a support group for students who are involved in the study and research of art history.

We work collaboratively with the Division of Art History to suggest, organize and support events, such as informative lectures on a broad range of world art and cultural traditions. In addition, we encourage, organize and support communication with faculty and other specialists in the field of Art History, Museum Studies, Art Criticism, etc., that are aimed at providing students with professional opportunities.

We collaborate with the Division of Art History in the School of Art and Design to organize an annual Art History Student Symposium each spring. The Symposium gives students the opportunity to present their original work to a group of peers and professors at NIU, thus aiding in the development of the students' presentation and public speaking skills, which will serve them well in the future.

We provide a forum for discussions and a sense of community to the wide range of students studying art history at NIU (undergraduate and graduate, traditional and non-traditional, resident and commuters, etc.). The sense of community and network engendered among students in *Historia Artis* lays the groundwork for future sharing of resources, collaboration in research and professional relationships, and provides a healthy and enriching educational environment.

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