

Installation artist and Chinese art critic to speak Thursday and Friday

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An internationally known installation artist will speak Thursday and an art critic from Beijing will speak Friday as part of the Visiting Artist and Lecture Series sponsored by the School of Art and Design at Alfred University. Speaking at 4:30 p.m. Thursday (Nov. 9) will be Xu Bing, a printmaker and installation artist whose work has been shown in major American and European museums. On Friday (Nov. 10), Yi Jinan, one of the most influential art critics in today's China, will speak at 11:30 a.m. Both presentations are in Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall. Both are free and open to the public. Xu Bing's work has been exhibited in the 45th Venice Biennial, the Reina Sofa Museum, Madrid; Pori Art Museum, Finland; and major museums in Ottawa, San Francisco, New York, and London. In 1999 he was awarded a MacArthur Fellowship. As a critic who also teaches art history in Beijing, Yi Jinan is responsible for introducing Chinese artists to the West by recommending their work for prominent international exhibitions. He has written extensively on contemporary Chinese art and artists. Recently his research has expanded to include a controversial subject, the history of Chinese women.