

## Wehmer Exhibit to Display in Columbia, MO

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John Wehmer, Lindenwood University Professor Emeritus, has been honored with an exhibition of his artwork in Columbia, Mo.

*Unseen Forces: The Early Work of John Wehmer* was unveiled earlier this month and features a collection of pieces from the 85-year-old St. Louis-based artist.



## Did You Know?

Did you know that the founder of the St. Charles City-County Public Library (SCPL) was a Lindenwood alum? In 1914, Kathryn Linnemann (Class of 1904) solicited local businessmen for money until there was enough to start the library. Today, the headquarters branch of the SCPL, located on Elm Street, is named after her.

Wehmer initially resolved to keep the works private, but an expert art dealer named Melissa Williams convinced him otherwise. The pieces currently on display were created by Wehmer between 1955 and 1965, and with the exception of one painting have not been seen since that time.

In an article about the exhibition featured in the *Columbia Daily Tribune*, Williams described the pieces as bold and colorful and marked by a 'violent energy.' "These oversized, ambitious works depict chaos as it moves potentially toward resolution — but there's no guarantee," she said.

*Unseen Forces* will be available to the public from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 15, and again on Friday, Feb. 22, at 11 S. Ninth Street in Columbia, Mo. After closing there, the exhibition will proceed to the Thomas McCormick Gallery in Chicago, Ill.

Wehmer began teaching at Lindenwood during the 1959-1960 academic year and retired with emeritus status in 1992. His work has been purchased by notable institutions such as the Smithsonian and the St. Louis Artists' Guild, as well as by private collectors in Europe and South America.

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## Queen Volunteers to Work on School District Committee

Scott Queen, Director of Marketing and Public Relations and Associate Athletics Director for External Affairs, is serving on the City of St. Charles School District 2013-2018 Comprehensive School Improvement Plan Committee.



Specifically, Queen is helping to develop objectives in the area of parent and community involvement in the district.

“The leadership of the district is focused on engaging parents and improving communications,” Queen said. “They have a very dedicated team.”

The CSIP committee already has begun revisions to the school district’s mission statement, as well as its vision and value statements. Work this month has focused on objectives and action steps for the future.

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## Mangels to Speak at Professional Women’s Alliance

Susan Mangels, PhD, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, will serve as a guest speaker for the Professional Women’s Alliance on Wednesday, March 6, at the Ritz-Carlton in St. Louis, Mo. Her presentation, “Does Balance Matter? The Relationship Between Work Life Balance and Success for Executive Women,” is part of the organization’s ongoing Women of Distinction Speaker Series.



Mangel’s address will offer criteria that attendees can apply to their own career paths. She will also discuss important factors to consider in facilitating success at work and harmony in life.

“When I have attended PWA events I’ve been impressed by the energy and diversity of the women in attendance,” Mangels said. “It seems like a great venue in which to share my research and also brag about all of the good things happening at Lindenwood!”

The cost to attend is \$38 for members and \$48 for guests and includes lunch and valet parking. A late fee of \$10 will be charged for those who register after March 1.

To register or to learn more, visit <http://stlpwa.org/>.

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