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# WILLIAM WOODWARD

*The Seven Deadly Sins: A Comedy*  
Oil Paintings and Master Drawings, 1994–2014

SEPTEMBER 5–DECEMBER 17, 2017

American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center



September 9, 6–9 pm

## OPENING RECEPTION

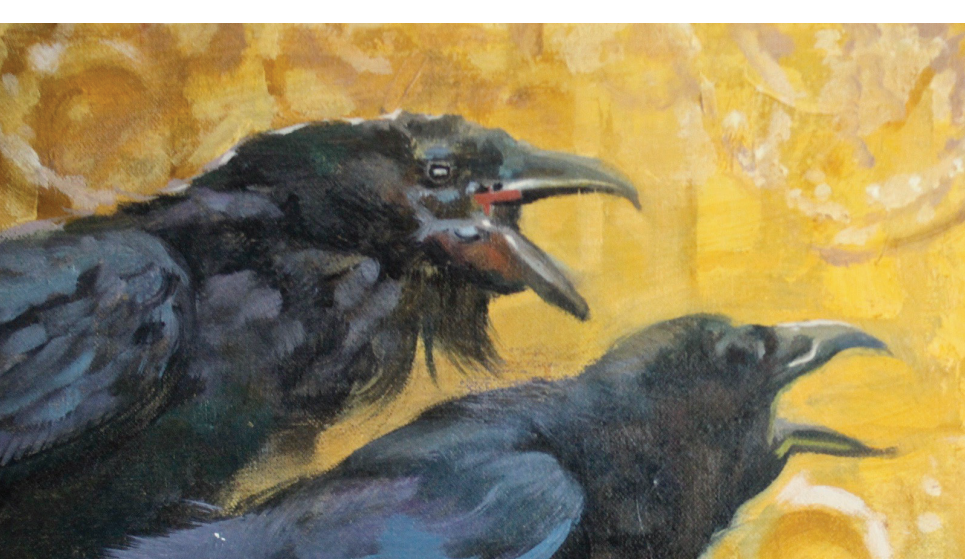
Meet the artist William Woodward at the opening reception for the fall exhibitions. Light refreshments served. Free and open to all.

October 5, 7:30–9 pm

## THE SINS IN CONCERT

Conductor James Blachly and the Experimental Orchestra presents seven new compositions inspired by *William Woodward: The Seven Deadly Sins*. Light refreshments served. Tickets: \$25 per person.

Tickets available online: [www.tinyurl.com/AUMTickets](http://www.tinyurl.com/AUMTickets)



November 16, 6–7:30 pm

## GALLERY TALK WITH THE ARTIST

William Woodward, Artist Clarice Smith, Author Katherine Neville, and Museum Director Jack Rasmussen discuss the inspiration and technique behind the narrative paintings in *The Seven Deadly Sins*.

## ABOUT THE EXHIBITION

For the past two decades, William Woodward has delved into the rich history and aesthetic possibilities of the seven deadly sins. The master drawings and narrative paintings in this exhibition owe a great deal to the films of Federico Fellini, Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton the *commedia dell'arte* tradition. The artist tries to imagine, had these directors and actors been painters, how they might have depicted their subjects in whimsical and elusive ways rather than strident and explicit interpretations. In creating *The Seven Deadly Sins* Woodward is not preaching about sin. Rather, he wanted to paint pictures that no one, including himself, had ever seen before.

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Museum Hours: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday, Closed Mondays  
Admission is free

Parking available under the Katzen Arts Center and is free after 5 p.m. and on weekends

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