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WNY Book Arts is excited to announce
***Fruit on Blue* by Lydia Kegler**
ON VIEW APRIL 19TH – MAY 3, 2024

Buffalo, N.Y. – April 9, 2024: The Western New York Book Arts Center presents an exhibition in the Main Gallery by artist Lydia Kegler, on view April 19th - May 3rd. A closing reception will be held Friday, May 3rd, 2024 from 5-8 p.m.

In the Main Gallery, **Lydia Kegler's** exhibition, *Fruit on Blue*, explores the aesthetics of pleasure. The oil paintings and drawings that comprise this body of work consider the symbolic, ephemeral, and emotive value of both fruit and color. *Fruit on Blue* is the conclusion of Kegler's Master of Fine Art degree at the University at Buffalo.

Lydia Kegler (American, born 1995) is a multidisciplinary artist based in Buffalo NY. She is currently a University at Buffalo MFA candidate, and has a BA in Creative Writing and Literature from Naropa University's School of Poetics (2019). Her oil painting, drawing, embroidery, textile work and installation centers on the aesthetics of pleasure. Drawing on themes of the body, fruit, and dessert, her work explores the ephemeral. A continuous thread in her work is attempting to understand connections and repetitions within botany and anatomy, and their interlaced symbolic meanings.

Kegler has exhibited in solo and group shows including CEPA, NeMLA, El Museo, Impact Art Gallery (Buffalo), ARC Gallery (Chicago), Studio Gross (Tokyo), Luca, JCC Foundation (Los Angeles), Nalanda Gallery, and Trident (Boulder). Her work is published in "Sitting: The Physical Art of Mediation" (2017).

For information regarding gallery visitation hours and updates, visit <https://wnybookarts.org/exhibitions/>

To learn more, please visit <https://wnybookarts.org/lydia-kegler-fruit-on-blue/>

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The Western New York Book Arts Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting a greater understanding of printing and book-related arts through education, creation, and exhibition for a broad and diverse community. Book Arts is located at 468 Washington Street, Buffalo, NY 14203. For more info visit www.wnybookarts.org, email curious@wnybookarts.org, or call 716-348-1430.

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