



'KUIMEAUX'S WORLD'

FRIDAY 11/14. HISTORIC ARKANSAS MUSEUM. 5 P.M. FREE.

What does it take for art to transcend the grave? For starters, the work needs to be good, with the potential to resonate beyond the confines of its maker's life. But more importantly, the work needs cheerleaders, true believers who are willing to doggedly go to bat for an artist in their absence. Little Rock native Dwight "Kuimeaux" Drennan, who received regional recognition during his lifetime but never found commercial success, has both of these factors working in his favor. After Drennan's death in 2022, a group of his friends banded together to dream up "The Kuimeaux Project," a website devoted to the preservation of his drawings and paintings. An exhibition opening on 2nd Friday Art Night at the Historic Arkansas Museum is another step in the group's efforts to keep his work alive. Described in a press release as "bold, busy and intense," Kuimeaux's pieces frequently depicted Southern vistas and cityscapes in a manner that wondrously straddles fantasy and realism, nostalgia and grit. The exhibition will be on display in the Worthen Arkansas Made Gallery until spring 2027. Find an archive of Kuimeaux's art — as well as more than a dozen videos offering insight into his process — at kuimeauxart.com. *DG*