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BED SHOE HOME:

Poverty and Homelessness in Champaign-Urbana

Jane Gilmor

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George A. Miller Endowment Visiting Artist

**Wednesday
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4:00 pm**

Knight Auditorium, Spurlock Museum
600 South Gregory, Urbana
**University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign**

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Champaign-Urbana is facing a crisis in housing for low-income families and the under-sheltered. To bring this issue into sharper focus, the University Y's Art@ the Y program, in collaboration with the School of Art + Design and the School of Social Work, initiated *BED SHOE HOME*, a community-based art action organized by nationally known artist Jane Gilmor, who has maintained socially engaged art practice since the late 80s. Gilmor was in residence on campus for a month this fall working in community organizations serving the homeless: the Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, Courage Connection, and the Phoenix Center.

The project helped build a sense of community both within the under-sheltered population and between the university, the larger C-U community and those living on the edges. Gilmor will discuss her work, which explores identity, dislocation, and border crossings: poverty/privilege, public/private, rural/urban, male/female.

BED SHOE HOME opening: Thursday, January 26, 5–7 pm,
Murphy Gallery, University YMCA, 1001 S. Wright St.



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