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The Union Programming Council of the U of U is sponsoring a free art exhibit on Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Union Student Lounge.

The event, this year's November Art Gallery Stroll, is entitled "University Zoo, Art all about animals!" The exhibit is will include displays of nearly a dozen students' art. Though there will be no official panels or speakers, the featured artists have been encouraged to discuss their artwork with attendees.

In addition, a jazz band comprised of university students will be playing live music throughout the event. Refreshments will be provided.

Though the Art Gallery Stroll is a fairly new concept, Alison Tuft, UPC Director of Arts and Special Events, said that the series has its roots in downtown gallery collaborations last year. "It was really cool to see the collaboration, but since it was held on a Friday evening, we felt like a lot of our own students missed out. We hope that by moving it to a more accessible and busier time of day, more students are able to come check things out."

Future Art Gallery Stroll events include a politically themed exhibit in December, an abstract art gallery in February and an environmentally themed exhibit in April.

"We really want to continue to get the word out to the art community," Tuft added. "This is such an awesome experience for students to showcase their work, and we hope that people will continue to submit work."

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Headed by six student directors and two Union Staff directors, the UPC plans and sponsors a number of events throughout the semester, including service projects and the popular Crimson Nights.

For more information on the November Art Gallery Stroll and the UPC, visit <http://www.upc.utah.edu>.

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