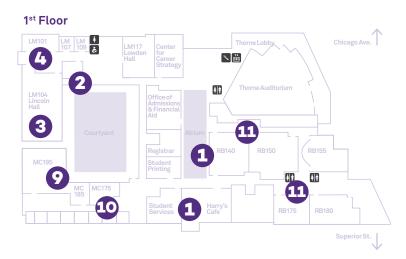
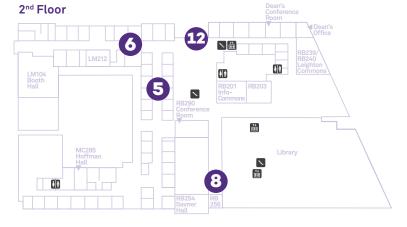
#### **CAMPUS CHRONOLOGY**

Founding of Chicago	NU assumes sole control of the legal program, renaming it the Northwestern University School of Law		Rubloff building complete	
University		on: Tremont Hotel Buildi	0	
Law School	at the corn	er of Lake and Dearborn	1	
1859	1891 1902		1984	
1873	1899	1926	1962 2015	
NU merges with CULS, forming the Union College of Law	New location: top floor of the YMCA Building, 153 LaSalle St		Cormick Atrium I complete Expansion complete	

#### **CAMPUS MAP**





#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor



#### CAMPUS ART WALK WEBSITE AND AUDIO GUIDE



Scan the QR code to follow along the self-guided audio tour for a one-of-a-kind immersive experience! Narrated by NLaw students, faculty, and staff during the 2023-2024 academic year. Additional details, archival materials, and sponsored content accompany each stop. A large print copy is available at the circulation desk of the Law Library.

#### **A GLIMPSE FROM THE ARCHIVES**



John Henry Wigmore American, 1863–1943 Levy Mayer Medallion, after John Henry Wigmore's historic Northwestern School of Law Seal, 1925

The historic seal depicts St. Ives, patron saint of the legal profession, doing equal justice for the rich and the poor. St. Ives is also quoted in the seal's inner circle, which reads, "bon droit et raison" meaning, "with good law and justice."

#### ADDITIONAL SELF-GUIDED **CAMPUS TOURS**

Black Experience Tour (Evanston)

Campus Art Walk (Evanston)

Feminist Campus Tour (Evanston)

Indigenous Tour of Northwestern (Evanston)

NU History Tour (Evanston)

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## Welcome to the **Northwestern Pritzker School of Law Campus Art Walk!**

You might be part of our community already, as a student, professor, alumni, or staff member. If not, I hope you feel part of Northwestern by the end of our time together today.

The tour is split into two parts: core stops, which detail chronology, and sponsored stops, developed in collaboration with student organization leaders to celebrate the diversity of the NLaw community.

### Each core stop is accompanied by discussion prompts, listed below:

#### 1. Welcome

What makes you feel at home, or comfortable, in a new place?

#### 2. Across Communities

Consider the responsibility and privilege of being part of an elite university community. Make a wish for your future impact in the world.

#### 3.1859-1900

Consider your place within the continuum of institutional tradition, and the challenge of honoring past generations' contributions while also embracing evolution.

#### 4.1901-1925

How can the focus on prominent individuals overshadow the contributions of lesser-known individuals in institutional narratives?

#### 5.1926-1979

What might these busts suggest about the historical values and priorities of the institution?

#### 6. Across Time

How do the legacies of Mary, Dawn, and Joyce resonate with your personal experiences of service and opportunity?

#### 7.1980-1999

Reflect on your own values and identities. How might they be visually expressed, and are they represented within the NLaw art collection?

#### 8. Across Space

How might the impact of local architects and artists contribute to a sense of connection between the Northwestern Law community and the surrounding city?

#### 9.2000-2010

Reflect on the complexities of balancing artistic vision, financial constraints, and community expectations. How does the incomplete execution of the Portraits of Diverse Alumni Program prompt us to consider the limitations of individual efforts in affecting systemic change?

#### 10.2011-2020

Which social movements inspire your own trajectories?

#### 11. 2021-Present

How do placement, presentation, and artist intentions impact an artwork's ability to fulfill institutional purposes both now and in the future?

#### 12. Looking Forward

Were there any artworks that you found controversial or challenging? What made them so, and do you think they still serve a valuable purpose within the collection? Imagine you were tasked with selecting additional artworks to augment our collection What criteria would you prioritize?



This symbol indicates the location of the sponsored stops throughout the tour. Sponsored content may be accessed through the NLaw Campus Art Walk website (see back).

# Welcome

Explore Harry's Café, where a neon sign highlights the pioneering legacy of NU alumnae Dawn Clark Netsch. Netsch served as the first female professor at NLaw before transitioning to politics. The Netsch family donated several artworks to the school, allowing the NLaw community to enjoy fine art without barriers.

Roy Lichtenstein American, 1923-1997 Wallpaper with Blue Floor Interior, 1992 Screenprint on paper, mounted on board Edition 46/300



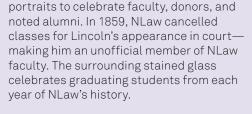
Across Community

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The Ruttenberg Arts Foundation donated the sculpture, hoping to start a new school tradition in which graduating students would gather at the sculpture to make wishes for their future. At their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion, the wishes would be returned to the students to see which came true.

Christopher Gentner American, born 1966 Wishbone, 1993 Fabricated steel sculpture

1859-1900



Early school officials commissioned





Christian Abrahamsen Norwegian, 1887-1983 Abraham Lincoln, 1925 Portrait, Oil



Walter Netsch American, 1920-2008 Elect Dawn Clark Netsch Comptroller, 1990 Neon Sign





## 4 1901-1925

Levin Corbin Handy American, 1855-193 The Federal Constitution, 1926 Document Facsimile

Before 1926, NLaw operated from Tremont House, a former hotel. Dean Wigmore; librarian Frederic B. Crossley; cataloguers Anne Millar, J.E. Cagle, and Mary E. Goodhue ensured the NLaw art collection was safe throughout the relocation. This exact copy of the U.S. Constitution was commissioned for the new campus as a teaching aid.

1926-1979

The hall of heads is framed by famous orators,

to exemplify "the function of the lawyer as

a persuader" in addition to the lawyer's role

as a scholar and jurist. These plaster busts

changed from white to bronze prior to 1949.

Though Mary, Dawn, and Joyce walked the

woman left a lasting impact on Northwestern

and beyond, inspiring countless individuals

to make a difference in their communities

halls of the school decades apart, each

previously hung in the Tremont House and were

The Christian Legal Society, constant Generation Law Student Association The Christian Legal Society, the St. Thomas More Society, & First

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**Casper Hennecke** German, 1833-1892 Alexander Hamilton probably late 1850s Plaster bust with bronze patina. after Jean-Antoine Houdon

Black Lassociation Black Law Student





Christian Abrahamsen Norwegian, 1887-1983 Mary Bartelme, 1928 Portrait. Oil First elected female judge in Chicago, LL. B. (1894)

Artist once known Dawn Clark Netsch probably late 1960s

First female Democratic nominee for Governor of II

Jewish Law Students' Association and the Women of Color Collective



## 1980-1999

In the 1980s, the Rubloff family gifted 36 bronze casts to the school, each symbolizing important values such as selfidentity, strength, patience, and fortitude. Several pieces remain on display "to maintain the spirit of the Rubloff gift." Bronze casts are created by sculpting a clay mold, which is then filled with molten bronze. Once solidified, the cast is rubbed with patina or gilt to add dimension.

Emmanuel Fremiet French, 1824-1910 Joan of Arc, probably late 1870s Cast bronze with golden patina

## 8 **Across Space**

Chicago-based architecture firm Holabird and Root designed the 1956 McCormick Hall, the 1984 Rubloff Building, and the 2014 Rubloff Atrium expansion between the two. You're currently standing in the expansion, decorated with works by Chicago artists. Notice that both Soto and Santana's artworks reference home.

Stephanie Santana American, born 1984 Living Room Study I, 2020 Screen-print, hand-embroidery, machine quilting



Latinx Law Students Association



Rebecca Crouch-Pelham American Harold Washington, 2010 Portrait, Oil First Black Mayor of Chicago, JD ('52) Todd Belcore (JD '10) started the Portraits of Diverse Alumni Program. More portraits were planned, but limited funding and time hindered the program. Its work to support diversity is continued by ongoing staff efforts and the Visibility Initiative, formed in 2013 by students Nick Carson,

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through service to others.



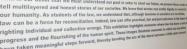
Jules Arthur American, born 1970 Professor Joyce Hughes, 2023 Portrait. Oil Northwestern's first Black female tenured professor

Muslim Law Students Association and the Middle Eastern Law Students Association



Edra Soto Puerto Rican, born 1971 Casas-Islas / House Islands 18, 2021 Commercial Tabloid Digital Press Print







### 10 2011-2020

This hallway is the first major project of the Visibility Initiative. Artworks were selected with the help of the NLaw community, who submitted photos to represent their reasons for attending the law school. The works are arranged chronologically to show the relationship between different social justice movements.

Women's Leager surp count & the Disability Law Society Women's Leadership Coalition, the Native American Law Students Association,



Alisha B. Wormsley

American, born 1978

So Says the Beautiful

Spirit: Circle, 2020

NLaw Facilities staff carefully select new artists, media, and subjects to create "a welcoming and inclusive environment for all... taking concrete actions to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion, and social and racial justice in our Law School and the broader society."



Amanda Williams American, born 1974 20-15-410-026-000, 2021 Oil. conte. and charcoal Wool, Cotton, Circuitry, Wood on canvas

South Asian Law

## 2000-2010

Brenna Helppie-Schmieder,



Ricardo Montaño Indigenous, from present-day Mexico NLaw School, 2005 Stained Glass

## Looking Forward

The purpose NLaw's art collection is multifaceted and goes beyond mere decoration. The works of art must represent our community, convey ideals, celebrate accomplishments, inspire students, challenge historical failures and norms, and appeal to a wide variety of identities and tastes. Here, the NLaw community is united in light and learning.