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GALLERY TALK AT ART GALLERY AT UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH FOCUSES ON JAPANESE WOODCUT EXHIBITION

WEST HARTFORD, CT – The Art Gallery at the University of Saint Joseph will present a Gallery Talk on the current exhibition *Costume and Customs in 19th-century Japanese Woodblock Prints* (on view through March 16th), on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. The Art Gallery is located on the University's West Hartford campus in the Bruyette Athenaeum, 1678 Asylum Avenue. The Gallery Talk is free and open to the public.

The University of Saint Joseph Art Gallery is open Tuesday - Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; and Sunday: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.; closed Monday. Admission is free.

The exhibition, which provides a wealth of information about 19th-century Japanese society, includes 37 works by such renowned masters as Hokusai, Kuniyoshi, Kunisada, and Hiroshige. It includes commercially marketed prints of courtesans and Kabuki actors, views of famous places, and scenes inspired by literary works.

Ann H. Sievers, director of the Art Gallery, and Eileen O'Leary '14, curatorial intern, will discuss the subject matter, cultural conventions, and printmaking processes revealed by the works of art on view.

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