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Mina Loy: Strangeness Is Inevitable
Public Opening: March 19 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm
Exhibition Discussion: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Free and open to all

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Mina Loy, *Stars*, 1932, mixed media on board, 31 × 34 in. (78.74 × 86.36 cm). Collection of Roger Conover.
Photography by Luc Demers.

Mina Loy: Strangeness Is Inevitable is the first monographic presentation of the art of Mina Loy (born Mina Gertrude Lowy, 1882–1966), one of the most inscrutable artists and poets of the twentieth century. Over 80 paintings, drawings, and constructions made by Loy through the course of her life, are united to reveal her omnivorous creativity as an image-maker, author, and cultural arbiter. These works, drawn from a dozen institutional and private lenders, are

complemented by extensive, never-before assembled, archival materials that will contextualize her art within the arc of her life. Courageous enough to defy the conventions of her era, both socially and aesthetically, Loy developed a creative career that included the creation of poetry and prose, visual art, and design. Curated by Jennifer R. Gross, the show is accompanied by a fully illustrated eponymous catalogue published by Princeton University Press.

Major funding for the exhibition in Chicago was provided by the Zell Family Foundation and the Terra Foundation for American Art. This exhibition originated at Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

In conjunction with the exhibition, The Arts Club will present 3 programs:

- **Tuesday March 19 at 6:30pm**
A discussion between curator Jennifer R. Gross and Mina Loy literary estate executor Roger Conover, and moderated by Arts Club Executive Director Janine Mileaf
- **During EXPO Week**
A panel discussion on Mina Loy lead by curator Ingrid Schaffner
- **Thursday May 9 at 6:00 pm (The Arts Club of Chicago) and Thursday May 16 at 6:00 pm (Jane Addams Hull-House Museum)**
Every house has a door performs a new commissioned work in response to Mina Loy's "Crystal Pantomime."

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