Friday, February 5  OPENING NIGHT
8pm, Rust Belt Books, 415 Grant Street
Please come and join the festivities for the first event of Spring 2016!

Wednesday, February 10  CHRIS MANN
8pm, Western New York Book Arts Center, 468 Washington Street
Chris Mann is an Australian-American composer, poet and performer specializing in the emerging field of compositional linguistics, coined by Kenneth Gaburo and described by Mann as "the mechanism whereby you understand what I'm thinking better than I do." He teaches in the Media Studies Graduate Program at the New School.

Friday, February 19  PAUL STEPHENS
3:30pm, The Poetry Collection, 4th floor, Capen Hall
"Minima Poetica: On Seriality, Mediation and the One-Word Poem"
Drawing on Buffalo's rich archival collections, Stephens' discussion will explore varieties of the one-word poem. Stephens will place particular emphasis on what he loosely refers to as serial one-word poems--that is, one-word poems which repeat a single word, or serial poems that use only one word per page. Examples to be drawn from Natalie Czech, Mary Ellen Solt, Ian Hamilton Finlay, Norman Pritchard, Robert Grenier, bpNichol, and Steve McCaffery. Paul Stephens is the author of The Poetics of Information Overload: From Gertrude Stein to Conceptual Writing (Minnesota 2015) and the editor of the journal Convolution. He teaches in the Bard Prison Initiative.

Friday, March 4  SUEYEUN JULIETTE LEE
8pm, Rust Belt Books, 415 Grant Street
Lee will speak about her investigations into light, movement, and the body. She will screen a few of her videopoems in relation to these concerns, and read from Solar Maximum. She will discuss her work with a group of graduate students in the Poetics Program at the New School.

Friday, March 11  LAUREN SHUFRAN
8pm, Rust Belt Books, 415 Grant Street
A reading with conversation to follow on: the animal-human, poetics of the body, translation, queering homophobia, historicizing islamophobia. Lauren Shufran's first book, Inter Arma, won the Motherwell Prize and was published by Fence Books in 2013.