

# LECTURES & SYMPOSIA

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## The Nightingale & Commissars: From the Neva to the Hudson

By Mikhail Magaril

July 27, 2023

3:00pm

**Rosenwald Room, LJ 205**

Join us for a rare opportunity to hear Soviet-born New York book artist Mikhail Magaril talk about the need for “an artistic paper book” in our electronic times. He’ll show his most recent projects, which focus on themes of the artist’s freedom and lack of freedom, and discuss his inspirations. Magaril will be joined by longtime collaborators Michael Weintraub and master printer Peter Kruty, who will add to the discussion of how concepts can be expressed graphically. The group will show tools and the original forms from which the books were printed. Magaril’s works from Library of Congress collections will be on display. They weave humor with evocative representations of Hans Christian Andersen and Joseph Brodsky, Leo Tolstoy’s alphabet books, Jewish folklore, and Soviet Army songs.



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