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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS
THE ANNUAL GALLERY WEST STUDENT ART EXHIBITION ON THE
MICHAEL J. GRANT CAMPUS APRIL 13 – MAY 11, 2011**

Brentwood, NY- The Gallery West, located in the Captree Commons Building on the Michael J. Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Brentwood, is presenting the *Annual Gallery West Student Art Exhibition*. The exhibition began on April 13th and will continue through May 11th.

This exhibit will focus on works created by SCCC students studying drawing, life drawing, painting, 2D design, color, art appreciation, ceramics, sculpture and photography. Traditionally, the student exhibit has been a lively display with 70 works or more containing studies in portraiture, figure, landscape, and still life in both abstract and representational genres.

All art students at the Michael J. Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College are invited to submit their best work for the exhibition. This year, for the first time, the *Annual Gallery West Student Art Exhibition* will recognize students' achievements in the categories below. The winners will receive their awards at a dinner in their honor on May 13th.

The 1st Annual Gallery West Purchase Award for Excellence: \$500

The recipient of this award will receive \$500 in exchange for the winning artwork, which will become part of the Michael J. Grant Campus's permanent art collection. The winning work will be featured on the postcard announcement for next year's exhibition. Work in all media will be considered.

The Eddie Earl Cato Scholarship Award: \$500

This new scholarship is being generously underwritten by Professor Rani Carson, in memory of the artist Eddie Earl Cato. To qualify for this award, the student must be a visual arts major and must submit a portfolio of a minimum of 6 pieces along with an essay.

The James and Celeste DeSario Purchase Award: \$150

This award, generously underwritten by Professors James and Celeste DeSario, will be given to excellent work in the medium of photography. The recipient of this award will receive \$150 in

exchange for the winning photo, which will become part of the Michael J. Grant Campus's permanent art collection.

The Students' Choice Award: \$100

Also underwritten by Professors James and Celeste DeSario, this award will be given for the work favored by the student participants in the exhibition.

For gallery hours and directions, please call (631) 851-6702.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 25,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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