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CHARLESTON, IL--Artist Marlyn Agnew, has been commissioned to paint a portrait of Dr. Daniel E. Marvin, Jr., former president of Eastern Illinois University.

Dr. Daniel Thornburgh, chairman of the portrait committee, said Ms. Agnew intended to have the portrait ready for formal presentation to the University during spring commencement ceremonies on May 12.

Ms. Agnew, of Madison, Wis., met with Marvin to discuss the project and to "form impressions" for the portrait. Thornburgh said she would basically work from a series of colored photos.

The portrait will be placed in the first floor corridor of Old Main near those of the other former presidents--Livingston C. Lord, Robert Buzzard, Quincy Doudna, and Gilbert Fite. Cost of the work will be met by public donations.

Ms. Agnew holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in art from the University of Wisconsin and her portraits have been shown in a number of juried exhibitions. Her works will be shown in a one-person exhibition at Michigan Technological University in April.

Thornburgh said "the committee was impressed by Ms. Agnew's past works and by her creative visualization of the Marvin portrait."

Other members of the committee are Vaughn Jaenike, James K. Johnson, Kathleen Shanks, John Cole (student body president), Bruce Michael and Kenneth Hesler.

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CAPTION

Artist Marlyn Agnew and Daniel E. Marvin, Jr.