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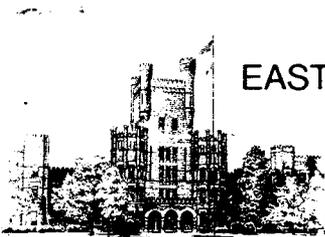
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BENEFIT ART AUCTION SATURDAY

CHARLESTON, IL.--"A wonderful exhibit. . . something for everyone, from realistic to abstract, from paintings to pottery, from jewelry to a hand-woven gorgeous white apron, and even includes Jonah and the Whale!"

That's how Dr. Walter Johnson, emeritus professor of Art from the University of Illinois describes the 65 works of art to be auctioned this Saturday (November 21st) at the Tarble Arts Center on the campus of Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

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This auction is a benefit for the College of Fine Arts' studio campaign, "Make Room for Art," which has, to date, collected over half of the total \$350,000 needed to build the studios. Alumni, faculty and emeritus faculty have donated the pieces to be auctioned, ranging in estimated retail value from \$25 to \$2,500.

It will be a lively evening of fun and profit for everyone, for a very good cause, the "Make Room for Art" project. "Eastern faculty, students and alumni are to be congratulated on this fine exhibit. I'm sure the gallery will sell out," said Dr. Johnson.

Some well-known artists who have donated work to this benefit auction are Ralph Wickiser, Virgil Grotfeldt, Tim and Pam Frye, Lynn Trank, Dennis Ringering, Steven Havens, and Vic Conner.

Private and corporate interest is being sought and active bidding is expected, beginning with viewing and refreshments at 6:30. The auction will begin at 8 p.m. For a copy of the auction exhibit brochure, call 217/581-3410; the exhibit may be viewed during regular Tarble hours (Tues. through Fri. from 10 until 5. The Center is located on south Ninth Street at Cleveland Avenue in Charleston on the campus of Eastern Illinois University.)

Catalogs of the exhibit are being distributed among private and corporate potential bidders and the general public is invited, as well, to try their best bid on these fine pieces. Persons wishing more information or a listing of fine art in the auction should call the College of Fine Arts at Eastern, 217/581-2917, or 217/581-3410.