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Friends of the Barnes Foundation Announces Artists' Campaign

(MERION – Oct. 23, 2007) To raise money for their battle to save the Barnes Foundation, the grass-roots organization Friends of the Barnes Foundation announces the "Artists' Campaign for the Barnes" to benefit the Legal Defense Fund. Artists are invited to participate with the understanding that one-half of the proceeds from the donated artworks will go to the Legal Defense Fund and each piece of artwork will be accompanied by a certificate documenting that it is part of the historic campaign to save the Barnes Foundation. (On Friday, October 19, Montgomery County Orphans' Court Judge Stanley Ott ordered the current Barnes Board of Trustees and the Pennsylvania Attorney General to respond to the Friends' and Montgomery County petitions within thirty days.) The art donated so far covers a broad range of styles, including work by Filip Noterdaeme, Albo Jeavons, Marilyn Henrion, Barbara B. Rosin, Philip Cohn, the late Francis McCarthy (donated by his widow, Thelma McCarthy), Bill Ternay, Stuart Shils and Jock Sturges (donated anonymously). Artist Nancy Herman is the organizer of the Campaign. She said, "It is rare indeed that art lovers, collectors, students, citizens, and artists can work together to save what they value. I hope that artists and collectors alike will take advantage of this opportunity."

Information and images of the art work are available at http://www.barnesfriends.org/files/art.shtml