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Dear DCAD Community Member,

Early in my art school career in numerous conversations with my classmates, I discussed thoughts on improving our institution and of one day heading an independent art school. In July of 2009 this dream became a reality, and I am humbled and honored by it.

I now serve at a very special college where other young men and women are beginning their dreams; pursuing a creative life in art and in design. The Delaware College of Art and Design (DCAD) prepares these students to become artists, entrepreneurs, and possibly business owners – the foundation of the *American Dream* and a source of creative capital that infuses vitality and stability in our community.

This fall we welcomed 127 freshmen to our studios and classrooms. Donations have enabled us to accommodate this larger class, search for next year's best students, increase our course offerings, upgrade our equipment, and support our passionate and inspiring faculty to provide these students with the best resources possible. Families are choosing this college and investing in an art-filled life. That's quite a testimony to what we do here!

What can you do to help us to grow and continue our mission? In this challenging economy, our students have many needs.

- A donation of \$50 can provide a textbook.
- A gift of \$500 helps pay for a student's art supplies for the entire year.
- \$1,500 can mean the difference between being able to attend school this year and having to put an education on hold.

I hope you will help these students achieve their goals and realize their dreams by contributing to our Eighth Annual Appeal. The DCAD community would gratefully appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Stuart Baron  
President