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MSU Wharton Center Hosts Art from the Heart Exhibit & Artist Reception

WHAT: Michigan State University's Wharton Center will host Peckham's Art from the Heart exhibit and artist reception. The Art from the Heart program, supported by the Peckham Community Partnership Foundation, provides professional, individualized instruction in the visual arts to artists with disabilities.

In its eighth year, the exhibit will feature work from more than 30 artists. Art from the Heart will be the first exhibit to use the newly redesigned gallery at the Wharton Center, which recently hosted its grand opening for the \$18.5 million expansion October 11.

WHEN: Artist Reception, Sunday Nov. 1, 2009 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Exhibit will run from Nov. 1 through February 21, 2009.
The exhibit is open daily, with daytime viewing by appointment only. Please call Wharton Center House Management at 517.353.1982 to schedule a viewing.

WHERE: Stoddard Lounge
MSU Wharton Center for Performing Arts
Cobb Great Hall, Third Floor

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“Peckham and the Wharton Center share a long standing collaboration and commitment to providing opportunities in culture and artistic expression for all individuals, regardless of ability,” said Nina Silbergeit, Wharton Center’s Events Coordinator & House Manager.

The Art from the Heart exhibit is a fantastic way to launch our first Sunday Gallery Day, showcase these artists outstanding work and inaugurate the new space at the Wharton Center,” she said.

Art from the Heart is funded by the Peckham Community Partnership Foundation. The Foundation helps fund Peckham, Inc., services and programs where little other funding exists, filling critical gaps that can make a difference in the lives of those striving for independence. The Peckham Community Partnership Foundation supports a variety of program initiatives, while also expanding its efforts to provide community enrichment, volunteerism and self-empowerment opportunities.

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