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GALLERY OF ART • COLLEGE of ART + DESIGN

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THE CORCORAN PRESENTS CLOUD NINE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Throughout the month of February, the Corcoran Gallery of Art and College of Art + Design will celebrate Valentine's Day with *Cloud Nine*, an interactive love-story contest and special promotions throughout the Gallery and Corcoran Café. Whether inspired by the romance of the lavish Salon Doré, in the shadow of Daniel Chester's French sculpture depicting two loves, a casual glance across a ceramics studio, or



serendipitous meeting at a Corcoran event, the Corcoran has played host to many and varied romances, friendships, and life-long connections. Launching **February 1, 2011**, *Cloud Nine* invites Washingtonians to share their account of how the Corcoran played a role in their love story. The top three best love stories will be awarded prizes for use over the Valentine's Day weekend.

As part of *Cloud Nine*, the Corcoran will offer **Thursday Date Nights** throughout the month of February. From 5–9 p.m. every Thursday of the month, the Corcoran will offer two-for-one Gallery admission and the chance to indulge in Corcoran Café specials including "Champagne and Kisses," two glasses of champagne and chocolate covered strawberries or cheese and fruit platter for \$15. Print out the Thursday Date Nights coupon on the Corcoran Web site to redeem these special offers.

For more information on Cloud Nine, please visit www.corcoran.org/cloud9.

ABOUT THE CORCORAN

The Corcoran Gallery of Art, a privately funded institution, was founded in 1869 as Washington's first and largest nonfederal museum of art. It is known internationally for its distinguished collection of historical and modern American art as well as contemporary art, photography, European painting, sculpture, and the decorative arts. Founded in 1890, the Corcoran College of Art + Design is Washington's only four-year college of art and design offering BFA degrees in Digital Media Design, Fine Art, Fine Art Photography, Graphic Design, Interior Design, and Photojournalism; a BA in Art Studies; a five-year Bachelor of Fine Arts/Master of Arts in Teaching (BFA/MAT); an AFA in Digital Media Design, Fine Art, Graphic Design, and Photography; and MA degrees in Art and the Book, Art Education, Exhibition Design, Interior Design, Master of Arts in Teaching, and New Media Photojournalism. The College's Continuing Education program offers part-time credit and non-credit classes for children and adults and draws more than 2,500 participants each year. For more information about the Corcoran Gallery of Art and College of Art + Design, visit www.corcoran.org.

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