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CORCORAN COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN GIVES A HAND TO SO OTHERS MAY EAT (SOME) TO SUPPORT ITS ANNUAL SPRING FUNDRAISER

WASHINGTON, D.C. – For the third consecutive year, the Corcoran College of Art + Design is partnering with So Other May Eat (SOME), a Washington, D.C., organization dedicated to the poor and homeless. Corcoran students and alumni will create and donate bowls to be sold at the organization's spring annual fundraiser, Empty Bowls. Last year, students from the Corcoran College of Art + Design's ceramics community donated 523 bowls to SOME's soup kitchen – which is open 365 days to all, for two meals a day – helping to raise over \$21,000, which provided approximately 8,300 meals. This year, Corcoran students are working towards at least 500 bowls to be donated to Empty Bowls.

"The partnership between the Corcoran ceramics community and So Others Might Eat connects students, alumni, and faculty with the world outside our studio doors," said Kathryn Habib, Corcoran College of Art + Design ceramics lab tech. "Making bowls for SOME creates tangible value from the gesture of our hands in clay. Our empty bowls in the studio translate to full plates in their dining room."

On October 22 and 23, 2011, during Corcoran College of Art + Design's Family and Alumni Weekend, Corcoran students will host a bowl-making work-day open to the public.



Bowls made by Corcoran students for SOME's Empty Bowls benefit.

ABOUT SO OTHERS MAY EAT

SOME (So Others Might Eat) is an interfaith, community-based organization that exists to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital, meeting the immediate daily needs of the people they serve with food, clothing, and health care. SOME helps to break the cycle of homelessness by offering services, such as affordable housing,

job training, addiction treatment, and counseling, to the poor, the elderly and individuals with mental illness. Each day, SOME is restoring hope and dignity one person at a time. For more information on So Others May Eat, please visit www.some.org.

ABOUT THE CORCORAN

The Corcoran Gallery of Art, a privately funded institution, was founded in 1869. It was America's first dedicated art museum and today is Washington's 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. In addition, a dynamic schedule of special exhibitions is complemented and enhanced by a range of educational programming, which together seek to enrich perspectives, support the local arts community, and encourage interpretation. The Corcoran College of Art + Design was founded in 1890 and stands as 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.

