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FINE ARTS STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS AND “MEMORIAL PURCHASES” AT ANNUAL EXHIBITION

(Mar. 27, 2003 – Palm Beach Gardens, FL) When art students at Palm Beach Community College in Palm Beach Gardens exhibit their best work this spring, they could qualify for cash awards and scholarships and even have their work purchased through the Dr. Nathan Kahn Memorial Purchase Award.

The purchase award was established by Dr. Kahn’s widow, Natalie Lipsett, in 1987 to encourage young artists.

“When you sell a painting, you become a professional,” Lipsett explained.

The art works are purchased for staff and faculty offices at PBCC. Dr. Kahn was a pediatrician and an impressionist painter who studied with accomplished artists in New York and painted at the Norton Museum of Art. Lipsett has taught Russian and comparative literature at PBCC and was president of the Etta Ress Center for Lifetime Learning. She is a Russian native whose family fled the revolution and settled in the German free state of Danzig, (now Gdansk, Poland). She was a university professor before coming to Palm Beach County in 1972.

Ms. Lipsett will be on hand at the opening reception of the PBCC student exhibit on Apr. 8 from 5-8 p.m. in the Art Gallery at Eissey Campus, BB Building. The campus is located at 3160 PGA Blvd. The public is welcome to attend. The exhibition runs from April 8 to May 5.

The juried works were created in PBCC’s classes in ceramics, photography, drawing, design and painting. Rod Faulds, director of the university galleries at Florida Atlantic University, will judge. Design entries will come from classes in design fundamentals, color design and three-dimensional design. Drawing students from Drawing Fundamentals, Intermediate Drawing and Life Drawing will participate. Photography contestants taking the introductory course or the Experimental Photography course will display their work. Painters and potters will round out the exhibition.

The students’ works could net them a scholarship or a cash award from the student arts organization, the Art Alliance. Four scholarships for \$250 apiece will be offered for the first time by the Eissey Campus Scholarship fund. Call (561) 207-5008 to reach the gallery or for more information, call (561) 868-3129.