

AU artists to auction work to benefit New York city volunteers

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Work by Alfred University artists, from undergraduates to faculty members with international reputations, will be "Going Once Going Twice Going for a Good Cause." The AU artists are auctioning their work to benefit the New York City Central Labor Council. Organized by the Art Union, the two-part auction actually involves everyone in the School of Art and Design, from undergraduates to those enrolled in the Master of Fine Arts program and faculty members, said Jesse Eustis, a senior from Ann Arbor, MI, who is helping to organize the auctions. "We wanted to do something to help those who have lost their jobs as a result of the Sept. 11 attack on the World Trade Center," Eustis said. Much of the student work will be sold by silent auction, in which potential buyers submit their bids in writing. Work to be sold through the silent auction will be on display Nov. 14-17 at 34 North Main Street in Alfred. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday. On Saturday, Nov. 17, the exhibition will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The live auction, which will feature work by MFA candidates and the faculty, will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, on the Alfred University campus. John Gill, professor of ceramic art and an AU alumnus, will be the auctioneer. The School of Art and Design at Alfred University is among the most highly rated art programs in the country. Its Master of Fine Arts program is ranked number one in ceramic art, and fifth overall among all MFA programs in the nation by US News and World Report. #####