MEMO TO: The University Community

FROM: Earl Lazerson

SUBJECT: Art and Design Building Grand Opening

A ceremony celebrating the Grand Opening of the Art and Design Building will be held Thursday, October 14, at 12 noon, at the entrance to the new facility, located west of the Religious Center. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the atrium of the new building. Guests may park in the Visitors Lot or in Lot E, west of the Communications Building.

The $5.5 million project consolidates classrooms, labs and studios for the Department of Art and Design. Partially occupied at the beginning of Fall Semester, the 45,800 square foot building will be completed later this year with the installation of major equipment and closure of most of the Wagner Complex in Edwardsville, where the department has had its primary facilities for nearly 30 years.

All members of the University community are invited to share this significant occasion. Refreshments will be served at a reception following the ceremony, and music will be presented by graduate students from the String Development Program. The facilities will be open for tours during the afternoon.