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Press Release

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EDGY ART @ THE FAC MODERN **New exhibitions announced for the FAC's downtown gallery**

COLORADO SPRINGS (Oct. 19, 2007) – The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center is pleased to announce four diverse exhibitions coming to the FAC MODERN gallery in downtown Colorado Springs at the Plaza of the Rockies, beginning in October and running through September 2008.

The FAC MODERN was called the 'best thing to happen to Southern Colorado business' by the readers of the *Colorado Springs Business Journal* and the 'Best Art Museum' by the readers of *The Gazette* this year.

Opened in April of 2006, the FAC MODERN expanded the Fine Arts Center's reach into the heart of downtown Colorado Springs. Thanks to the generosity of the Nor'wood Development Group, the FAC was able to continue to present world-class exhibitions without interruption during the expansion at the FAC main facility. The FAC MODERN will continue to offer edgy, contemporary exhibitions.

The next three exhibitions will cover portraiture, installation art by regional artists, and fashion.

The FAC MODERN is sponsored by
FAC Annual Sponsor: El Pomar Foundation,
the Gay & Lesbian Fund for Colorado, JPMorganChase,
and the Nor'wood Development Group.

Faces in the Crowd: Portraiture from the Permanent Collection of the Fine Arts Center
October 13, 2007 – January 20, 2008
Opening Celebration: 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 12

Selected 20th century masterpieces from the FAC collection are featured in this exhibition, including James Wyeth's *Study for Angus* and Paul Cadmus' *Study for a David and Goliath*. From the traditional pictures that capture the likeness of the sitter to unusual works in which the subject represents general and universal concerns; this show embraces the fullest ranges of portraiture from the Museum's collection.

Altered Space: 21st Century Installation Art
February 2 – April 27, 2008
Opening Celebration: 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 1

For *Altered Space*, the Fine Arts Center's Curators will select three of our region's most exciting artists to create unique installations for the FAC MODERN. Installation art was an important development in the art of the past half-century, and continues to be among the most innovative art forms today. These installation artists will transform the entire FAC MODERN exhibition space into an environment in its own right, so that the space itself becomes the work of art.

Styling the Modern: Fine Art Meets Fashion

May 10 – July 6, 2008

Opening Celebration: 5-8 p.m. on Friday, May 9

Many would be surprised to know that renowned artists such as Henri Matisse, Alexander Calder and Henry Moore not only created great paintings, drawings and sculpture, but also had a hand in modern fashion. In the 1940s these artists and others were invited to design grand-scale scarves by the famous Ascher family textile workshop. These stunning works of wearable art from the collection of Jill A. Wiltse and H. Kirk Brown III were created in limited editions, after which the templates were destroyed in the tradition of fine art printmaking. This exhibition features a series of approximately twenty of these vibrant scarves designed by various modern artists, as well as examples of the media for which these artists are most recognized.

ABOUT THE FINE ARTS CENTER

Founded in 1936, the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center is a privately funded, non-profit art museum, performing arts theatre, and arts education center. The two-story, 48,000 square-foot expansion to be unveiled Aug. 2-5 during the *Extremely Grand Opening* was conceived and designed by award-winning architect and Colorado Springs native David Owen Tryba to complement the original 1936 John Gaw Meem building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Visit www.csfineartscenter.org.

FAC MODERN

Plaza of the Rockies, 1st Floor, South Tower
121 South Tejon Street

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719.634.5583 box office

NEW HOURS as of Aug. 6, 2007

FAC MODERN, MUSEUM SHOP

Monday	Closed
Tuesday, Wednesday	10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday, Friday, Saturday	10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Sunday	10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

NEW ADMISSION PRICING as of Aug. 4, 2007

FAC MODERN ADMISSION

Includes FAC MODERN and the permanent collection at the FAC MAIN

FAC members	Free
Non-Members – adults	\$7.50
Non-Members – seniors	\$6.75
Non-Members – students with ID	\$6.75
Non-Members – youth 5-17	\$6.75
Non-Members – kids 4 and under	Free

FAC MODERN, FAC MAIN ADMISSION

Includes FAC MODERN, traveling exhibition and permanent collection at the FAC MAIN

FAC members – adults	\$7.50
FAC members – seniors	\$6.75
FAC members – students with ID	\$6.75
FAC members – youth 5-17	\$6.75
Non-Members – adults	\$12.00
Non-Members – seniors	\$10.50
Non-Members – students with ID	\$10.50
Non-Members – youth 5-17	\$10.50
Non-Members – kids 4 and under	Free

FAC MODERN Free Admission with Student ID

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Pikes Peak Community College