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November 20, 2014, Cambridge MA: On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Cambridge Art Association, I am pleased to announce the establishment of the the Irving W. and Charlotte F. Rabb Scholarship Fund at the Cambridge Art Association. The establishment of the Fund was made possible via a \$25,000 donation from the trust of Irving W. and Charlotte F. Rabb. This Scholarship Fund will support the following:

- Scholarships to cover fees associated with Artist Membership at the Cambridge Art Association for artists demonstrating financial need.
- An annual \$1000 scholarship presented to an exceptional graduating Cambridge Rindge and Latin School student continuing their visual arts education at the post-secondary level, and demonstrating need.

The Rabbs were longtime supporters and neighbors of the Cambridge Art Association. Mrs. Rabb passed away in 2003, and Mr. Rabb in 2011. Mr. Rabb retired as the Vice Chairman of Stop & Shop, the supermarket chain founded by his family in 1914 as Economy Grocery Store in Somerville, MA. The Rabbs embraced philanthropy, and supported many institutions in the Greater Boston area. Mr. Rabb "felt that philanthropy was a way of looking at the world. And that had to be taught, and he was very eager to be one of those communicators who worked with the younger generations.'" (Boston.com, August 26, 2011).

The Cambridge Art Association looks forward to embracing the Rabb's spirit spirit of philanthropy as we continue our work to empower art making in our community.

About the Cambridge Art Association: *The purpose of the organization, a non-profit educational organization, is to foster an interest in the Fine Arts and Crafts in the community, and to provide a place for appropriate activities and events designed to promote fellowship among the members*

CAA continues to promote and support local art and artists, through exhibitions, workshops and other events. Since 2008, CAA has offered an annual Portfolio Review day for artists, where leading curators and gallery owners review artists' work. Over the past decade, CAA has presented twelve National Prize Shows that have brought artists' work from 48 states to Cambridge; offered 3rd Thursdays sessions, free to members, and focused on professional development; a monthly focus group on artists and art topics; and now present the most exciting and diverse art in CAA's history. As we look to the future of the organization, we embrace our past successes.

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