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***Robert Weingarten: The Palette Series* on view at the Springfield Art Museum**

Robert Weingarten: The Palette Series opens 19 September and continues through 15 November at the Springfield Art Museum. A preview reception hosted by the Southwest Missouri Museum Associates will be on Friday, 18 September from 5:30 until 7:00 P.M. The public is invited.

Featuring 30 large-scale photographs, *The Palette Series* documents and compares the various color palettes used in the studios of a number of living painters. This series is a continuation of the artist's ongoing exploration of light and color.

Weingarten has defined 'color palette' both loosely and broadly to encompass anything that might represent the artists' preferred colors. The results range from raw materials (Ed Ruscha's pigment drenched cotton ball), drippings on a sink (in Ed Moses' studio), the accumulation of paint stains on a table (in Red Grooms' studio) to actual artist's palettes (Jasper Johns and Chuck Close).

This exhibit provides a chance to explore the importance of color in art and the relationship between color and the individual artist and his environment. The exhibit also explores the dynamics between painting and photography through the juxtaposition of scale and focus. This exhibit was coordinated with the generous assistance of the artist and Marlborough Gallery, New York.

Robert Weingarten's work is in a number of museum collections including the J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York and the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York. He is represented by Marlborough Gallery, New York.

For additional information contact the Springfield Art Museum at 417-837-5700 or on the web at www.springfieldmogov/egov/art/

Springfield Art Museum

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 9:00 – 5:00

Thursday: 9:00 – 8:00

Sunday: 1:00 – 5:00

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