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## **Hunter College Graduate Open Studios and Silent Auction**

Friday, November 17th, 2006

Open Studios: **6-10 p.m.**, Silent Auction **6-9:30 p.m.**

Saturday, November 18th, 2006

Open Studios: **2-6 p.m.**

**Hunter College MFA Building, 450 W. 41st Street**

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Hunter College MFA students are pleased to announce our Fall 2006 Open Studios and Silent Auction, featuring work by more than 120 innovative young artists working in painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture, combined media, installation and video.

From 6 to 10 on Friday the 17th, over 120 studios will be open to the public and artists will be present to answer questions and interact with visitors. This event presents a unique opportunity to experience the work of emerging artists outside the traditional gallery setting. Studios will also be open for viewing on the following Saturday, November 18th, from 2-6 pm.

The Friday night event will be accompanied by a silent auction from 6-9:30 pm. The auction will take place on the second floor of the MFA Building and will feature original works donated by MFA students. Payments may be made in cash, or by **check with ID only**. Proceeds will benefit the Hunter College MFA Student Organization and will be put towards the growth and development of the MFA program.

The Graduate Programs in Art have been flourishing at Hunter College for over forty years. Housed in a distinctive building in the heart of Manhattan, MFA students and faculty interact in a collaborative, organic setting, creating a program that is always evolving and pushing the boundaries of contemporary artistic practice. Please join us for this unique event.

Please contact the MFA Student Organization for more information: **mfasoofficers@yahoo.com** or visit **www.hunter.cuny.edu/art** to learn more about the Hunter College MFA program.

*The Hunter College MFA Building is located at 450 W. 41st Street between 9th and 10th Avenues at Dyer Street. Trains: A, C, E to Port Authority; 1, 2, 3, N, R, W,Q, 7 to Times Square.*