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The Cleveland “Brain Drain” Panel Discussion at ArtWorks

Cleveland, OH – (July 15, 2010) — **ArtWorks** founder **Deborah Ratner** and husband **Ronald Ratner** are hosting a luncheon on **July 23 at 12:00 pm. in the Bistro Dining Room (CON 87) at the Cuyahoga Community College Metro Campus, 2900 Community College Avenue, Cleveland.** The luncheon will give 120 area high school students a chance to meet individuals who feel Northeast Ohio is a great place to work and live.

Following the luncheon, a **discussion panel on the Cleveland “Brian Drain”** will take place at **1:00 pm in the Studio Theater in the Center for Creative Arts at the Cuyahoga Community College Metro Campus.** The discussion panel will address what it takes to work in various fields across Northeast Ohio. Forum participants include:

- **Julian Rogers**, Education Voters of Ohio, moderator
- **Senator Nina Turner**, State of Ohio
- **Councilman Matt Zone**, City of Cleveland Ward 15
- **Mike Kubinski**, CLE Clothing Co.
- **Caren Rockind**, Team NEO
- **Gauri Torgalkar**, Cleveland Coalition
- **Alesha Washington**, Center for Families & Children

The media is invited to attend but this is not open to the public.

About Young Audiences

Young Audiences enriches the lives of children and promotes creative learning by uniting arts and education. Organized in 1953, the Northeast Ohio chapter of Young Audiences is the only multi-arts resource for schools in the region whose primary purpose is to make learning through the arts an essential part of young people's education. Programs take place in public, private, and parochial schools, reaching more than 243,000 young people each year.

About Young Audiences' Artworks Program

Young Audiences ArtWorks is a summer job training program for high school students from around Northeast Ohio to create works of art over a six week period. The apprentices are lead by master teaching artists. The different co-ops range from painting, theater, vocal ensemble, contemporary drawing, fashion, and dance and change each year. Throughout the period the apprentices participate in job training activities including work place scenarios, resume writing, and various guest speakers. Visit the website at <http://yaneo.org/what/artworks.php>

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