Hurricane Katrina has had a huge impact on our nation that will forever change the culture of the affected region and locally has directly impacted the lives and families of SDSU students. There are at least forty SDSU students that have lost their homes, been separated from their families, and have been forever changed by this tragedy. In addition to assisting current students we must also consider lending assistance to students from the storm stricken areas transferring to SDSU to complete their academic programs. We have an obligation to aid our peers in their time of need.

**Art AUCTION** will be a silent auction of work produced by members of the San Diego State University School of Art, Design, and Art History. The work will come from art and craft based disciplines and range in scale and media. The money raised during the auction will be used to subsidize an award scholarship fund for current and future SDSU students who are in need due to the disaster. The auction will open October 7th and run through the 13th. Bidding will close on Oct. 13th at 3:00pm. The opening reception will coincide with the faculty exhibit opening October 7th from 7pm-9pm.

We can no longer sit idle in the face of this disaster’s aftermath and must act to render assistance as best we can as individuals and at a larger social level. As a graduate student in the metalsmithing program I am privileged and thankful but do not have the means to make large monetary donations for the cause or leave to go to the impact area as a volunteer. What I have is my work, which I willingly offer for auction. This auction will give myself and other makers a means to act and render assistance. The success of this auction is based on the level of participation it receives so spread the word. We would appreciate your participation in the auction.

Artists interested in contributing to the auction should contact David H. Clemons. All mediums will be accepted for the auction. Work will be accepted in the Jackson Gallery on Tuesday Oct. 4th and Wednesday Oct. 5th from 10am-3pm. Installation of the work will take place on Thursday Oct. 6th. The Show will be dismantled on Thursday Oct. 13th and will be available for pick up Friday Oct 14th. Contact me promptly as I am trying to put together a list of artists interested in participating.

If you have other questions regarding donations, tax deductions, scheduling, or would like to volunteer your time for the preparation and monitoring of the event please contact me at (619) 402-7728 or dhclemons@mindspring.com. Thank you for your time and compassion.

Best Regards,

David H. Clemons