

Art professor awarded \$2,500 by Illinois Arts Council

Lisle, Illinois ~ David Marcet, an award-winning adjunct professor of Art at Benedictine University, was recently named a recipient of a \$2,500 Illinois Artist's Support Initiative Grant.

The Individual Artist Support (IAS) Initiative was created by the Illinois Arts Council to help Illinois artists realize a career goal, take advantage of a professional opportunity or for the production and presentation of an artistic project. The grant will help cover some of the costs of Marcet's first one-man exhibition at Aberson Exhibits in Tulsa, Okla.

Marcet earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Drake University in 1997 while studying under the direction of Jules Kirschenbaum. After graduation, Marcet attended Savannah College of Art and Design where he received the University's New York Studio residency award. The award allowed him to spend a semester painting in New York City while interning at the artist-run Pierogi and the Triangle Arts Association galleries in Brooklyn.

Marcet earned a Master of Fine Arts at the Savannah College of Art and Design from which he received the prestigious Outstanding Academic Achievement Award. The award is given to only one student per graduating class.

Marcet, who lives in Hinsdale with his wife and three children, continues to inspire his students at Benedictine University that painting is still alive and well.