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**Art From Scrap's Annual Assemblage Show-**

**Benefit and Artists Reception: Saturday, July 24, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Assemblage Show Exhibition Dates: June 12 – July 24, 2010**

Viewing and bidding starts June 12 and ends July 24.

AFS Gallery, 302 East Cota Street, in downtown Santa Barbara

AFS Gallery Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 10-3, and Thursday 10- 6

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**(Green) More Than A Color- Art From Scrap's  
Annual Assemblage Art Show and Event**

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On Saturday, July 24, from 5:00-8:00 pm, Art From Scrap is holding its 9th Annual Assemblage Fundraising Event in the AFS Gallery. The evening promises to be a lively one with food, drinks, music, and two auctions; an art auction of over 50 works of art and a silent auction of donated goods and services. Photographer Bob DeBris will be on hand, offering one of his infamously fun Photo Op's. Admission is \$5.00.

The theme for this year's Assemblage Art Show is '(Green) More Than A Color.' The show features the work of local artists, both professional and amateur, who were challenged to create a piece of assemblage art using recycled materials and one green object collected at the Art From Scrap Reuse Store. The exhibition will be on display for public viewing from June 12 - July 24.

The public is invited to view and bid on the art work; proceeds benefit Art From Scrap's environmental education and art programs.

The Assemblage Show 2010 celebrates the work of local artists who use recycled materials for inspiration and expression. AFS Executive Director, Cay Sanchez says of this year's show, "We expect this event to be our biggest yet. AFS is proud to be a leader in the Green Movement. We've been promoting Reuse as a way to help the environment for over 20 years and creating assemblage art is a perfect Reuse opportunity."

Mixed-media artist Alver is this year's "Assemblage Muse". Alver, who has been an artist for "as long as he can remember", was trained in life drawing, basic drawing, and painting. He sees assemblage art as "being all of the different art mediums put together." Alver believes that Art From Scrap is a great community resource that should be supported. "The art at the Assemblage Show offers people a chance to see the world in a different way." he explains. "My work has been exhibited in every show, but one. I'm excited to be the 2010 Assemblage Muse."

A panel of judges will award three cash prizes, (\$200, \$100 and \$50), for the most artistically effective integration of found objects. The judges for this year's event are Rebekah Altman, Judy Egenolf, Frank Hotchkiss, and Sylvia White.

AFS gives special thanks to the generous sponsors of this year's event: Susan Bower, Buynak Law Firm, Joanne Hollister, Livinggreen, MarBorg Industries, Montecito Bank and Trust, The Allergan Foundation, and Charlotte Valestra.

AFS Gallery Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: 10:00 am through 3:00 pm, and Thursdays from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm.

About Art From Scrap: Art From Scrap is Santa Barbara's Environmental Education and Art Center. The AFS Gallery is located upstairs at Art From Scrap. Rotating shows hang throughout the year bringing together art lovers, collectors and local artists.

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