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ARCHIVE-A-PALOOZA CELEBRATES HYDE PARK ART CENTER'S 75 YEARS THROUGH ARCHIVE PROJECT AND EXHIBITION

Open Call to the Public for Historic Materials Dating from 1939-1980s

Chicago—Inspired by the **Hyde Park Art Center**'s 75th anniversary, **Archive-A-Palooza** is a yearlong initiative and public call to gather memorabilia and stories pertaining to the Art Center's trailblazing history. Throughout 2014, the Art Center invites donations of unique ephemera from the organization's founding in 1939 through the 1980s, including materials mentioning programming, events, exhibitions or classes, newspaper and magazine reviews, posters and postcards, snapshots of events at the Art Center, exhibition checklists, and correspondences between exhibiting artists.

Artist and former Art Center Board member **Patricia Swanson** will hold open hours to collect material from the public and discuss their significance on <u>Sunday April 13, 2-4 pm, Tuesday, May 6, 4-6 pm</u> and by appointment. Swanson will use the donated materials to curate an ongoing showcase at the Art Center beginning in June.

Donations will also be accepted at the front desk during regular business hours. For more information, email exhibitions@hydeparkart.org or 773.324.5520 x1010.

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Hyde Park Art Center is a unique resource that advances contemporary visual art in Chicago by connecting artists and communities in unexpected ways. As an open forum for exploring the artistic process, the Art Center fosters creativity through making, learning about, seeing, and discussing art—all under one roof. The Art Center is funded in part by: the Alphawood Foundation; Andy Warhol Foundation for Visual Arts; a City Arts III grant from the City of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events; Field Foundation of Illinois; Harper Court Arts Council; Harpo Foundation; Illinois Arts Council, a state agency; The Irving Harris Foundation; Joyce Foundation; Lloyd A. Fry Foundation; MacArthur Fund for Arts and Culture at Prince; National Endowment for the Arts; Polk Bros. Foundation; Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust; and the generosity of its members and people like you.