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Very Special Arts Life Story Exhibit

OMAHA, Neb. – February 15, 2008 – Very Special Arts (VSA) of Nebraska received a \$10,000 grant to coordinate a comprehensive art project with the following organizations serving the developmentally disabled: Mosaic, Friendship Program, Ollie Webb Center, Community Alliance and ENCOR.

The theme of the project is, “Life Stories: Everyone has a Story!” under the artistic direction of Janie York. This will be a combination of the art of photography, creative writing and fabric art. After the creation of the life story pieces, they will be displayed on Saturday, February 23 from 2 – 4pm at the Omaha Community Playhouse and then as a traveling Art Exhibit throughout Omaha. Also at this celebration, a video presentation of the individuals who have participated will be shown, as well as selected live presentations. Thirty of Mosaic’s Clients will participate in the art project and Mosaic client, Amanda Coker, will perform a vocal solo.

Mosaic provides individualized services, living options, work choices, spiritual nurture and advocacy to people with disabilities in more than 250 communities across 14 states and Great Britain. Mosaic is an affiliated social ministry organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a recognized service organization of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod and a member of Lutheran Services in America. Mosaic is a 501(c)(3) organization.

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