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### **Warhol Museum's Eric Shiner Scheduled To Speak at African American Chamber of Commerce PowerBreakfast Meeting**

**(Pittsburgh, PA – September 10, 2012)** Eric Shiner, Director at the Andy Warhol Museum will be the guest speaker at this month's PowerBreakfast Meeting on Friday September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 AM at Oxford Center's Rivers Club Downtown.

Eric C. Shiner is the Director of The Andy Warhol Museum in Pittsburgh. His scholarly focus is on the concept of bodily transformation in postwar Japanese photography, painting and performance art. Shiner was an assistant curator of the Yokohama Triennale 2001, Japan's first ever large-scale exhibition of international contemporary art, and the curator of Making a Home: Japanese Contemporary Artists in New York at Japan Society in 2007. He is an active writer and translator, a contributing editor for Art AsiaPacific magazine, and was most recently adjunct professor of art history at Cooper Union, Pace University and Stony Brook University. Shiner's hometown is New Castle, PA. He received a Bachelor of Philosophy in The History of Art & Architecture and Japanese Language & Literature from Pitt's Honors College in 1994, an M.A. in The History of Art from Osaka University in 2001, and another M.A. in The History of Art from Yale in 2003.

Mr. Shiner will discuss his vision for the Warhol and upcoming exhibits. Located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the place of Andy Warhol's birth, The Warhol is one of the most comprehensive single-artist museums in the world. The Andy Warhol Museum is one of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh.

The African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania has over 500 members and supporters, and is ranked the 11<sup>th</sup> largest Chamber in the region. The mission of the Chamber is to continuously improve business and professional opportunities for African American Business Owners and professionals.

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