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Dear CCA Community,

It is with great sadness that I inform you that Yee Jan Bao, senior adjunct professor in Painting/Drawing, died on October 16 after a long illness.

Yee Jan was hired at the college in fall 2003 as an adjunct professor and was promoted to senior adjunct in 2009. He taught in Painting/Drawing and Diversity Studies through 2011–12 until he had to take a leave of absence due to health issues. He also taught the Summer Drawing and Painting Intensive course from 2006 to 2011.

Yee Jan's exhibition record included shows at PS1, Long Island City, New York; the New Museum, New York; Stephen Rosenberg Gallery, New York; Tracia Macafee, New York; Betsy Rosenfield, Chicago; and Thomas McCormick, Chicago. He received grants from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Pollock-Krasner Foundation, and the Chicago Arts Council.

In addition to CCA, he taught at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Rhode Island School of Design, the University of Texas, the University of Chicago, and the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

I first met Yee Jan when we were both teaching in Chicago and we remained friends for more than twenty years. On behalf of the college, I extend my sympathies to his family and wide circle of friends. A memorial event is being planned for some time in November; we will inform you once details have been finalized.

Sincerely,

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