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**S.L. LEONARD & ASSOCIATES NAMED CONSTRUCTION MANAGER
FOR NEW ART COMMUNITY IN VENTURA**

VENTURA, Calif.—S.L. Leonard & Associates recently announced that it will manage the design and construction of the Working Artists Ventura (WĀV) development. The new community will feature a mix of affordable and market-rate residential units, commercial space and a 200-seat amphitheater.

WĀV will serve as a community for artists, offering affordable living and working spaces, as well as housing arts-friendly businesses. Commercial tenants will include galleries, coffee houses, restaurants and jazz clubs. The \$44 million development will cover two acres and feature state-of-the-art solar collecting technology.

“WĀV is an exciting project to manage,” said Sean L. Leonard, founder and president of S.L. Leonard & Associates. “It is truly a development of the future with its mixed-use buildings and cutting edge sustainable design. It will have much to offer local artists and will expand the City of Ventura’s reputation as the arts capital of the central coast.”

WĀV is owned by Projects Linking Art, Community & Environment (PLACE). With headquarters in Minneapolis, the nonprofit organization helps communities create environmentally sustainable new developments that provide affordable space for the arts, small businesses, nonprofit organizations, affordable housing and more.

S.L. Leonard & Associates is a comprehensive development project management firm that is also working on the construction of the Camarillo Public Library, The University of Judaism Library and Chapel expansion, American Cancer Society’s Los Angeles Hope Lodge, The POSTModern museum in Las Vegas and six other affordable housing projects.

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The firm recently completed work on the California Endowment Offices and Community Conference and Resource Center, which opened ahead of schedule in December 2005, and the City of Hope Helford Clinical Research Replacement Hospital. Prior to starting his firm, Leonard was senior vice president of project management for Walt Disney Concert Hall. For more information, call (805) 445-4668 or visit www.slleonard.com.

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