# PREDYNASTIC EGYPTIAN POTTERY

in the Collection of the Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum California State University San Bernardino



# **Cataloging the RAFFMA Collections**

## **BACKGROUND**

The Robert and Frances Fullerton Museum of Art (RAFFMA) at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) is pleased to announce that research and preparatory work on the second part of the ancient Egyptian collection (Old to New Kingdom) has been completed, and we are ready to move forward in editing and printing the second of four volumes that catalog RAFMMA's stunning and world renowned Egyptian holdings.

Eventually, RAFFMA will conduct more research and catalog its entire collection. The timeline for researching, preparing and printing each catalog is dependent upon available funds for this ongoing project, which is so vitally important to the growth and development of our museum. The scholarly research, documentation, and publication of collections are integral parts of all museum programs, and are required by the AAM Accreditation Commission. The published results not only contribute to the progress and dissemination of knowledge, but also help to build RAFFMA's institutional prestige by carrying its name all around the world – to libraries, universities, other museums, as well as to the footnotes and indexes of numerous other scholarly publications.

#### **CHALLENGE**

Dr. Ben Harer, one of RAFFMA's most generous benefactors, has challenged the RAFFMA Board to help raise the funds needed for this second catalog. Thanks to the generosity and expertise of Dr. Julius Kaplan in conducting the necessary research and writing, we are nearly ready to go to print. The cost to produce this second volume will be approximately \$34,000. Dr. Harer has pledged a generous gift to match up to \$15,000 raised by RAFFMA Board Members.

### **NEXT STEPS**

- Each RAFFMA Board Member has been challenged to give or raise at least \$1,000.
- Gifts must be pledged by 11/30/11 and can be paid over one year.
- Richard Jarvis, Director of Development, is available to speak with prospective donors. He can be reached at: (909) 537-5740, or at: rjarvis@csusb.edu.