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GREAT FALLS ART TEACHER TAKES UM DEPARTMENT CHAIR

Richard B. Reinholtz, art education supervisor for the Great Falls public schools since 1964, has been appointed associate professor of art and chairman of the Art Department at the University of Montana, Dean Charles W. Bolen of the School of Fine Arts announced.

Dean Bolen said that Reinholtz, a seasoned practitioner, teacher and administrator of the visual arts, will serve on the summer faculty. The dean, who has been acting chairman of the Art Department for the past academic year, will continue in that capacity until Reinholtz assumes the post in September.

Reinholtz is former chairman of the Creative Arts Division of Stanislaus State College, Turlock, Calif., and has taught at Wisconsin State College, LaCrosse; State University of New York, Buffalo, and Central Washington State College, Ellensburg. He has been art supervisor for the Klamath Falls, Ore., public schools and art consultant to the Merced County, Calif., schools.

The new chairman, a member of the Montana Arts Council, is active in professional societies and is a prolific author of articles in professional journals. He has written course studies and handbooks for schools, conducted studies of art education in Washington and California, developed a colored slide series for distribution to educational institutions, made a compilation of art-education films for the official listing of the National Art Education Association, and served as art text reviewer for the California Teachers Association and contributing editor for School Arts magazine.

Reinholtz' paintings have been exhibited in New York, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Washington, Oregon and California. He holds B.S. and M.Ed. degrees in art education from the University of Minnesota and is completing work on a doctorate from the University of California at Berkeley.