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## **OHIO RELEASES NEW DRIVER LICENSE AND PLATE DESIGN**

*-Licenses will now be compliant with federal Real ID Act-*

**COLUMBUS** – Today, Governor John R. Kasich, together with Columbus College of Art and Design President Dennison W. Griffith and Columbus College of Art & Design student Aaron Roberts, unveiled Ohio's new license plate and driver license design on the campus of the Columbus College of Art and Design.

For the first time, the new license will be fully compliant with the federal Real ID Act.

"The new licenses and identification cards will be distinctly different in design from the traditional license," said Mike Rankin, Bureau of Motor Vehicles Registrar.

Ohio's driver licenses will have additional security features, markings, and other federal requirements making it harder to illegally counterfeit.

Driver licenses will be released in January of 2013 and the new plates will be available December 2012.

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