## walter darby bannard paintings

new gallery; bennington college, bennington, vermont april 11 - may 1, 1969

opening friday, april 11th, 8:30 - 10:00 p. m.

WALTER DARBI BANNARD - NEWS RELEASE

One of America's foremost younger abstract painters, Walter Darby Bannard will have a one-man show at Bennington College in the Carriage Barn Gallery starting April 11.

Bannard, who exhibits with the Lawrence Rubin Gallery in New York, is considered one of the leading exponents of "color" painting, a style in which color compels an extreme simplicity of shape and organization. The pictures seem variations of each other, their color combinations changing within a fairly standardized compositional scheme. They have been loaned to the College by Bannard's former gallery, Tibor Denagy.

Bannard has also written frequently on art, and is one of the more articulate members of a generation that has included several articulate artist-writers, including Don Judd and Robert Morris.

The Bannard exhibition is the latest in a series at Bennington College and follows an exhibition by the Italian artist, Piero Dorazio. Last fall, the College also presented a show by Frank Stella, who was a classmate of Bannard's at Princeton University.