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8th Annual LUCIE AWARDS Celebrate LEGENDARY PHOTOGRAPHERS

Official Lucie Week events kick off with IPA Best of Show exhibit

At Splashlight Studios, 7-10 pm, Saturday, October 23, 2010

Open to the public

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Lucie Awards Gala on Wed, October 27, arrivals at 6pm, Lincoln Center

Los Angeles, Calif. (*September 16, 2010*) – Lucie week kicks off with the annual INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS *Best of Show* exhibition on Saturday, October 23, at Splashlight from 7-10 pm and culminates with the 8th annual Lucie Awards, presented at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall, on Wed., October 27, 2010, arrivals at 6pm, show at 7pm. Honorees and top winners from the 2010 IPA competition will be recognized. The Lucie Awards, produced by the Lucie Foundation, (a non-profit, charitable foundation), honor the achievements of the world's finest photographers, discover emerging talent and promote the appreciation of photography. The INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS is the sister-effort to the Foundation and is the primary funding source of the Lucie Awards. This year the IPA received approximately 15,000 entries from 102 countries across the globe.

This year's Best of Show exhibit was curated by Adriana Teresa, co-founder of FotoVisura and Visura Media. As visual artist and curator she has initiated and produced online forums and a magazine, numerous exhibitions, and participated in panel discussions and artist talks, workshops and educational programs and grants, portfolio reviews and photography festivals. Ms. Teresa is publisher and editor-in-chief of Visura Magazine, editor of Visura Spotlight and curated the Latin American FotoVisura Pavilion during the New York Photo Festival 2008-10. She moderated the Contemporary Latin American Photography panel discussions during the most recent New York Photo Festival. Her other-projects include the FotoVisura.com blog, the FotoVisura Grants, and the GuataPhoto Festival at the Museum of Modern Art Carlos Mérida in Guatemala City which she curated. Recently, she has contributed to the New York Times Lens Blog. Committed to supporting the international photography community, Adriana, her husband Graham Letorney and Lauren Schneiderman, work tirelessly to provide support, consultation and funds to the international photography community.

Describing the selection process, Adriana added, "Every curator brings into an exhibition his or her own personal life experience when deciding which image or images strikes them most. The photographer, curator, and audience undergo this process as well. This only implies that there is no right or wrong decision or answer when making a selection, but a difference

in experiences that have shaped each individual's character, interests, visual aesthetics and beliefs.

It's simple, art is a voice; and an image can be art. This exhibition embraces the voice in an image. Each piece becomes its own world. In unison, each individual photograph interconnects to create a wholeness—and its entirety reveals that we are nothing more and nothing less than human, and that maybe there is something we can do to contribute positivity and change. Let's take the time to observe and listen to the echo within....”

The 2010 Best of Show photographers are: Jowhara AlSaud, Tommaso Ausili, Marcus Bleasdale, Marcus Buck, Claudia Calle, Alexandru Cocian, Jordi Cohen, Salvi Danés Venedas, Anna Mia Davidson, Oleg Dou, Susan Falzone, David Favrod, Jason Florio, Emer Gillespie, Maria Elena Gioka, Mark Edward Harris, Ryan Hellard, Nadav Kander, Andreas Kauppi, Kristina Kostainova, Jim Krantz, Collin LaFlech, Achim Lippoth, Sebastian Liste, Larry Louie, Eric Lusito, Roxanne Lowit, Jukka Male, Russ Martin, Edgar Martins, Marcia Michael, Emilio Morenatti, Zed Nelson, Bill Phelps, Erick & Ian Regnard, Stephen Reiss, Julian Roeder, Abel Ruiz de Leon Trespando, Mateusz Saretto, Jeff Sheng, Jola Skóra, Carsten Snejbjerg and Krzysztof Wladyka.

The images in this exhibition were printed by sponsor Sous les Etoiles www.souslesetoiles.com “We believe in the global mission of the IPA and the Lucie Foundation,” said Corinne Tapia, owner/director of Sous les Etoiles. “It fits perfectly with the vision of Sous Les Etoiles. We understand photographers, are dedicated to their needs and requirements and pride ourselves in developing long term relationships while delivering exceptional high-end post production and printing for both the commercial and fine art image maker.”

This year the Lucie Awards recognize master photographers and organizations that have made a significant contribution to photography. The list of honorees includes **David Goldblatt** (Lifetime Achievement), **Tina Barney** (Achievement in Portraiture Award), **Howard Bingham** (Achievement in Photojournalism), **James Drake** (Achievement in Sports), **Graciela Iturbide** (Achievement in Fine Art), **Lee Tanner** (Achievement in Documentary Photography Award), **The Center for Photography at Woodstock** will receive The Spotlight Award and **The Eddie Adams Workshop** will be presented with The Visionary Award. Composer and Artist **Michael Nyman** is the inaugural recipient of the Double Exposure Award – a new award that celebrates individuals who have achieved success in a number of fields, including photography. Support Category Nominees will be announced shortly and are awarded to those in the creative community integral to crafting an image. The 2010 International Photography Awards (IPA) Finalists will also compete to receive cash prizes and Lucies. Each year, the honorees are nominated by the 40 member Advisory Board.

A Special Tribute to photographers who have passed away in late 2009 and 2010 will be showcased and is slated to include a tribute to the late Dennis Hopper and previous Lucie Honorees Herman Leonard, Bob Willoughby and Jim Marshall.

Past honorees include: Albert Watson, Annie Leibovitz, Antonin Kratochvil, Arnold Newman, Arthur Leipzig, Bert Stern, Bob Willoughby, Bruce Davidson, Cornell Capa, David Bailey, Deborah Turbeville, Douglas Kirkland, Duane Michals, Eddie Adams, Eikoh Hosoe, Elliott Erwitt, Erwin Olaf, Eugene Richards, Francesco Scavullo, Gene Trindl, Gianni Berengo Gardin, Gordon Parks, Harry Benson, Heinz Kluetmeier, Helmut Newton, Herman Leonard, Henri Cartier-Bresson, Herb Ritts, Hiro, Howard Zieff, James Nachtwey, Jay Maisel, Jim Marshall, Jocelyne Benzakin, John Iacono, Josef Koudelka, Julius Shulman, Kenro Izu, Larry Clark, Lillian Bassman, Lord Snowdon, Lucien Clergue, Marc Riboud, Mary Ellen Mark, Melvin Sokolsky, Neil Leifer, Ozzie Sweet, Patrick Demarchelier, Peter Lindbergh, Phil Borges, Phil Stern, Philip Jones Griffiths, Ralph Gibson, Richard Avedon, Richard Misrach, RJ Muna, Robert Evans, Robert Sobieszek, Roger Mayne, Ruth

Bernhard, Sarah Moon, Sara Terry, Sebastiao Salgado, Steve McCurry, Susan Meiselas, Sylvia Plachy, Tim Street-Porter, Walter looss, William Claxton, William Klein, Willy Ronis, Visa Pour L'Image Festival, Gilles Peress, Marvin Newman, Fazal Sheikh, Ara Guler, Jean-Paul Goude, Mark Seliger, Reza, W. Eugene Smith Memorial Fund.

The Lucie Awards official media partner is Photo District News. Additional support is provided by AtEdge, Runway Magazine, L2 Fine Art Mounting and Framing, Sous les Etoiles, and Splashlight Studios.

Tickets for the Lucie Awards are on sale at <http://www.lincolncenter.org/>

About the Lucie Foundation

The Lucie Foundation's three fold mission is to honor master photographers, to discover and cultivate emerging talent and to promote the appreciation of photography worldwide. The photography communities from countries around the globe pay tribute to the year's most outstanding photographic achievements at the annual Lucie Awards ceremony. The Lucies recognize men and women whose life's work in photography merits the highest acclaim by their peers. The Foundation presents year round programming in Los Angeles, Florida and New York and addresses the needs of high school students through Snapshot!, emerging photographers through E-pprentice, an online mentoring program, and provides financial support through the Lucie Scholarship Program to both an emerging and professional photographer. The sister effort of the Foundation is the International Photography Awards, where the winners of the Photographer of the Year, the Discovery of the Year and Deeper Perspective Photographer of the Year are announced at the Lucies and are awarded cash prizes and statues. The Lucie Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable foundation. www.luciefoundation.org

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