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ONLY 13 DAYS LEFT FOR FOTOWEEK DC 2010 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS COMPETITION SUBMISSIONS

Deadline - September 20, 2010

Washington, DC [September 8, 2010] -- <u>FotoWeek DC</u> is calling for professional and amateur photographers to give us your best work for the <u>2010 International Awards Competition</u>. The deadline for entry is September 20. FotoWeek DC is recognized as one of the world's premier photography festivals, one that "breaks boundaries, opens minds and exceeds expectations," according to festival founder, Theo Adamstein.

To date, there have been over 2,000 entries from 20 countries, including Argentina, Australia, Canada, China, Estonia, France, Greece, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Entries can be submitted for 12 different categories, each with a cash prize for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The categories include: The Spirit of Washington, which honors the photograph that best captures the essence of the Nation's Capital with a prize of \$5,000; Best Single Image in the subcategories of Photojournalism/Social Documentary, Fine Art, Contemporary Life, Travel and Portrait; Best Series of photographs in the sub-categories of Photojournalism/Social Documentary, Fine Art, Environmental Conservation and Commercial; Best Mobile Phone Image, in recognition of the fabulous imagery being shot on smart phones; and a Multimedia category to include works that combine still photography, video, sound and graphics.

The competition is open to professional and amateur photographers. Photos submitted by September 20 will be presented before a panel of internationally renowned judges for review. The winning images for FotoWeek DC's International Awards Competition will be exhibited at the Corcoran Gallery of Art throughout the festival from November 6th to 13th.

"FotoWeek celebrates the transformative power of photography," says Adamstein. Highlights of the 2010 festival include FotoWeek DC's partnership with the Corcoran Gallery of Art and Corcoran College of Art + Design, juried competitions, international exhibitions curated by FotoWeek DC and their esteemed Partners, lectures and workshops featuring photography world luminaries, portfolio reviews by renowned reviewers, and exciting parties and photo happenings throughout the week.

For more information, please go to: http://www.fotoweekdc.org.