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**FOTOWEEK DC JOINS FORCES WITH THE
CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART AND COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN
FOR THE 2010 FOTOWEEK DC FESTIVAL
*November 6-13, 2010***

Washington, DC – July 8, 2010 -- FotoWeek DC, an organization that has quickly gained international renown for its wide range of exhibitions and events in celebration of photography, is pleased to announce that it has formed a partnership with the venerable Corcoran Gallery of Art and Corcoran College of Art + Design, located in the heart of Washington, DC.

"We're excited to bring our rapidly-growing and passionate photo community to the Corcoran and to create a home for FotoWeek Central at the Gallery and College. Working closely with our new partners at the Corcoran, we will build on the strong foundation and momentum we've established during our first two years and take FotoWeek DC to a new level, with an even larger vision for the future," said Theo Adamstein, Founder and Chairman of FotoWeek DC.

Events previously held in a cluster of retail spaces on M Street in Georgetown, will be centralized at the Corcoran, beginning with the 2010 FotoWeek DC photography festival, planned for November 6-13, 2010.

The Festival will kick off with an awards ceremony and after-party on Friday, November 5 at the Corcoran, where the award-winning photography will be on view in an exhibition during the week. As in the past, the Festival will feature countless activities during the week, including but not limited to, portfolio reviews, lectures, workshops, exhibitions of international photography and photo books, the popular all-night Night

Visions instant show and photo projections on building exteriors. Additionally, FotoWeek DC will involve hundreds of participating events across DC at galleries, museums, embassies, and art spaces as the city comes alive in a massive demonstration of the power and range of the photographic medium.

“The Corcoran is thrilled to be partnering with FotoWeek DC as our institution is proud of its strong photography programs in both the Gallery and College. FotoWeek DC is an asset to the arts community and DC, and the Corcoran is pleased to be supporting the Festival in such a significant way this year,” said Kirk Pillow, interim president of the Corcoran College of Art + Design.

The new partnership will be celebrated with a kick-off event on July 22 from 7p.m. to 10p.m. in the Atrium of the Corcoran Gallery of Art located at 500 Seventeenth Street, NW. Several exciting announcements will be made at the launch event, including the details of the third annual FotoWeek DC International Awards Competition and party guests will be among the first to get a look at FotoWorld, the innovative new online photography community presented by FotoWeek DC.

Admission to the event includes a subscription to the directory, complimentary admission to the Corcoran’s newest exhibition, *Chuck Close Prints: Process and Collaboration*, and participation in an interactive photo booth with live projections of portraits during the party, as well as complimentary prints to take away. Music will be provided by Matthew Hemerlein + DJ Chris Nitti. Tickets cost is \$20 and can be purchased online at www.FotoWeekDC.org starting July 8, 2010. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited.

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