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20th ANNUAL LUCIE AWARDS HONOR OUTSTANDING PHOTOGRAPHERS GALA CEREMONY EMBRACES INTERNATIONAL PHOTO COMMUNITY HOSTED BY ACCLAIMED BROADWAY ACTOR ALTON FITZGERALD WHITE

October 30, 2023, (*New York, NY*) – New York hosted the 20th Annual Lucie Awards in a gala black-tie ceremony and awards program this evening, at Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall. The Lucies, the world's most esteemed photography awards ceremony, honors the greatest achievements in the field, presenting awards as Achievement in Fine Art, and Documentary, as well as excellence in several industry support categories, ranging from publishing to exhibition.

"Tonight, as we have for twenty years, we pay tribute to the achievements of the winners and honorees whose extraordinary work brings so much meaning to our community and the world. We are thrilled to return to Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall in New York, and to be with friends and colleagues, as we spotlight these achievements," stated Hossein Farmani, founder, of The Lucie Awards. Farmani continues, "The Lucie Awards have become an anticipated annual event that celebrates our industry, the individuals, and our community. Tonight we gathered to honor some of the most admired and talented individuals in the field."

The list of the 2023 HONOREES and PRESENTERS:

Raymond Depardon (unable to attend) received the Lifetime Achievement Award, presented by David Burnett, photographer and Lucie Award Honoree for Achievement in Photojournalism

Jo Ann Callis for Achievement in Fine Art, presented by Rose Shoshana, Founder of Rose Gallery

Carol Guzy for Achievement in Photojournalism, presented by Scott McKiernan, Zuma Press Editor and Founder **Donald Miralle** for Achievement in Sports, presented by Brad Smith, VP of Photography for the WWE.

Paul Nicklen and Cristina Mittermeier will receive the Humanitarian Award, presented by Katie Couric, awardwinning journalist and co-founder of Katie Couric Media

Antwaun Sargent will receive the Spotlight/Visionary Award, presented by Jia Jia Fei, digital strategist for the art world

Jamel Shabazz for Achievement in Documentary, presented by Peter W. Kunhardt, Jr., Director of the Gordon Parks Foundation

Ming Smith for Achievement in Portraiture, presented by Oluremi Onabanjo, The Peter Schub Associate Curator of

Photography at the Museum of Modern Art

Firooz Zahedi for Achievement in Entertainment, presented by Elisabeth Biondi, former director of Vanity Fair

IPA PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR was presented by OnePlus representative: Jay Liu, Head of Marketing, North America. The 2023 award and cash prize for International Photographer of the Year (\$12,000 Cash prize, sponsored by OnePlus) went to **Thomas Broening**.

The full list of 2023 IPA Professional Finalists are: Thomas Broening - The End of the Dream, ADVERTISING (winner) Edgar Martins - Our War, ANALOG / FILM Gang Wang - Ships on land, ARCHITECTURE Svetlana Bachevanova - Ukraine: A War Crime, BOOK Wolfgang Schwan - Ukraine's War, EDITORIAL / PRESS Nabil West - NYC Women's March 2017, EVENT Julia Fullerton-Batten - Old Father Thames, FINE ART Barbara and Maciej Noskowski - Ice Fantasy, NATURE Allison Hunter - Freedom to Fly, PEOPLE Horst Kistner - Pets meets Vintage, SPECIAL Finn O'Hara - Mikaël Kingsbury, Olympic Freestyle skier, SPORTS

IPA DISCOVERY OF THE YEAR was presented by OnePlus representative: Jay Liu, Head of Marketing, North America. The 2023 award and cash prize for Discovery of the Year (\$6,000 Cash prize, sponsored by OnePlus) - went to **Carlo Marrazza**.

The full list of 2023 IPA Student/Non-Professional Finalists are: Yuliy Vasilev - Spaghetti Stylist, ADVERTISING Daniela Balestrin - Where does the tree end and the rest of the world begin? ANALOG / FILM Steffen Reichardt - Power station (storm), ARCHITECTURE Jan Schölzel - The Promise [of safe, clean and unlimited energy], BOOK Or Adar - Must resist, EDITORIAL / PRESS Thamarong Wanarithikul - Songkran, EVENT Bevil Templeton-Smith - Polychromo, FINE ART Claudia Gaupp - Anemone Purity, NATURE **Carlo Marrazza - Bakkarwals of Jammu and Kashmir 1, PEOPLE (winner)** Daniil Kobizskiy - .raw, SPECIAL Tony Law - Narrow Escape, SPORTS

Thomas Broening and **Carlo Marrazza** won \$12,000 and \$6,000 prizes, respectively. The IPA has awarded over \$265,000 in prize money over the last 20 years. Winning work was displayed during Lucie Weekend in the coveted annual Best of Show Exhibition at Splashlight, curated by Susan Baraz, featuring 52

SUPPORT CATEGORY awards were also conferred. The winners are noted below:

of the winning images from the 2023 competition.

Book Publisher of the Year - awarded to the publisher - **Atelier EXB**, For the Long Haul, Marc Riboud, presented by Chaya Howell, Creative Advisor and Founder, Marginalized in Mind

Photo Editor of the Year - Melissa DeWitt, Hotshoe Magazine, presented by Steve McCurry, photographer and 2003 Lucie Award Honoree for Achievement in Photojournalism

Photography Content of the Year, Print or Online - Balam, presented by Sean Corcoran, Senior Curator, Prints and Photographs, Museum of the City of New York

Photo Museum Exhibition of the Year - Bangkok Art and Culture Centre, James Nachtwey: Memoria, presented by Paris Chong, Gallery Director, Leica Gallery Los Angeles

Photo Gallery Exhibition of the Year, Gagosian, Avedon 100 presented by Sean Corcoran, Senior Curator, Prints and Photographs, Museum of the City of New York

Photo Curator of the Year - Jim Ganz and Antares Wells, Eugene Atget Highlights from the Mary & Dan Solomon Collection, J Paul Getty Museum, presented by Paris Chong, Gallery Director, Leica Gallery Los Angeles Photo Festival / Fair of the Year - Paris Photo, Paris, France, presented by James Nachtwey, Photojournalist and 2004 Lucie Honoree for Achievement in Photojournalism **Photo Program of the Year - Penumbra Foundation**, presented by Benoit Lagarde, Co-Founder and CEO, of Splashlight Studios, and James Ingram, CEO of Telmar-Helixa

Once again, acclaimed Broadway actor, **Alton Fitzgerald White** hosted this year's gala Lucie Awards presentation, at Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall, in New York City. White is most widely known for his record-breaking 4,308 performances as King Mufasa in Disney's *The Lion King* on Broadway.

The Lucie Awards highlights a weekend of celebrations hosted by Lucie Foundation, the Lucie Awards' governing body, and was kicked off on Saturday by the IPA Best of Show party hosted and sponsored by Splashlight. The Lucie Awards sponsors are Nikon Inc., OnePlus, Splashlight, and The International Photo Awards.



About Lucie Foundation - Lucie Foundation's mission is to honor master photographers, discover and cultivate emerging talent, and promote photography appreciation worldwide. The Lucie Awards ceremony is held annually to celebrate the outstanding achievements of the international photography community, recognizing those whose life's work deserves the highest acclaim. This is also where the Foundation's sister enterprise, the International Photography Awards (IPA) competition, announces the winners of the Photographer of the Year, and the Discovery of the Year awards. Cash prizes and statues are awarded. The Foundation presents year-round programming, offering financial funding through the Lucie Scholarship Programs in support of both emerging and professional photographers. Lucie Foundation is a 501(c) 3 non-profit charitable foundation. www.luciefoundation.org

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