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The New York Photo Festival is pleased to announce the Call for Entries for the
New York Photo Awards 2009

Submissions Accepted Starting March 2, 2009

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Following the successful first year of the New York Photo Awards, the **New York Photo Festival 2009** (NYPH'09) is proud to announce the kickoff of the **New York Photo Awards 2009**. In its inaugural year, the **New York Photo Awards** surpassed all expectations in terms of the quality, reach, and number of submissions that were received (over 3,500 submissions and 15,000 images were received from 60+ countries worldwide). **The New York Photo Awards Ceremony**, a gala affair held at the world-renowned St. Ann's Warehouse on the evening of May 16, at the height of the New York Photo Festival 2008, was attended by more than 650 photographers and industry professionals, and reflected the passion and dedication of the international photographic community who came together to honor the year's New York Photo Award winners.

The **New York Photo Awards 2009** will once again honor talented photographers from all over the world whose exceptional work breaks new ground visually, intellectually, and aesthetically. The Awards will give these visual artists the opportunity to reach key decision makers in the photographic community and the editorial, fine art, and commercial worlds. Submissions will be accepted March 2 – May 1, 2009. The Award winners will be announced in May during the second edition of the Festival.

The **New York Photo Awards Ceremony** is scheduled to return to St. Ann's Warehouse on **Friday, May 15, 2009**, starting at 8PM. The work of the Award Winners and Honorable Mentions will be presented on the big screen before a packed audience of industry luminaries. Fourteen major awards will be publicly presented to the Award Winners, and 28 artists will receive Honorable Mention certificates.

All Award Winners and Honorable Mentions will enjoy unprecedented visibility for their work. In addition to the New York Photo Awards ceremony, their work will be showcased on the New York Photo Festival website, and published in leading photo magazines. These artists are also automatically eligible for inclusion in a beautifully produced **New York Photo Awards Annual**, available for purchase online through the New York Photo Festival website.

Submissions: Only works produced or published between January 1, 2008 and April 15, 2009 are eligible for submission. Please visit www.newyorkphotoawards.com for more information on how to submit.

Jury: The Chairman of the jury is **Frank Evers** (Co-Founder and Co-Chair, NYPH'09). The jury will include: **Jody Quon** (Director of Photography, *New York Magazine*), **Jon Levy** (Founder/Publisher, *8 Magazine*), **William A. Ewing** (Director, Musee de l'Elysee), **Larry Fink** (Photographer), **Brian Clamp** (Owner, ClampArt Gallery), **Jasmine DeFoore** (Redux Pictures), **Josette Lata** (Art Buyer), **Allison Amon** (Chelsea Pictures) and **Lisa Mehling** (Chelsea Pictures). From the New York Photo Festival Advisory Board, **Nathan Benn** (Orange Logic, USA), **Joseph Kraeutler** (MD, Klever Holdings), **Nadja Masri** (Bureau Chief, *Geo Magazine*), **Maureen Martel** (Stockland Martel), **Bill Stockland** (Stockland Martel), and the Festival's founders and Co-chairmen: **Daniel Power** of powerHouse Books and **Frank Evers**.

About the New York Photo Festival:

Designed to be an American counterpart and thematic precedent to the prestigious European photo festivals Rencontres d'Arles, PhotoEspaña, and Visa Pour l'Image, the New York Photo Festival creates an international atmosphere of inspiring visual installations, professional and aficionado fellowship and camaraderie, and newsworthy staged presentations, awards ceremonies, and symposia over the course of four-and-a-half days during the busiest photography month in New York City.

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