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The Living World The Ordover Gallery Presents Art Wolfe at the San Diego Natural History Museum

San Diego, CA; January, 2006—Nature photography by world-renowned photographer Art Wolfe will be on display at the San Diego Natural History Museum from April 22 through May 29, 2006. This show, called *The Living World*, is the third show in the eight-show *VISIONS* of the NATURAL WORLD through the LENS of the MASTERS (VISIONS). VISIONS is a collaboration between the San Diego Natural History Museum and The Ordover Gallery and will continue through January 2007. VISIONS presents realistic, impressionistic and abstract fine-art photography by nationally recognized photographers.

The Living World will feature Art Wolfe's stunning and dramatic nature photography. Wolfe is recognized throughout the world for his mastery of color, composition and perspective. His stunning images interpret and record the world's wildlife, landscapes and native cultures. Wolfe has produced over 60 books of his photography and has taken an estimated one million images in his lifetime.

Art Wolfe's accomplishments include being awarded with a coveted Alfred Eisenstaedt Magazine Photography Award as well as being named Outstanding Nature Photographer of the Year by the North American Nature Photography Association. The National Audubon Society recognized Wolfe's work in support of the national wildlife refuge system with its first-ever Rachel Carson Award. Wolfe is a member of Explorers of Light, Canon's elite list of renowned photographers, and is a member of Fujifilm's Talent Team. Magazines all over the world publish his photographs and stories. Wolfe has also ventured into the world of television production with *On Location with Art Wolfe, Techniques of the Masters* and *American Photo's Safari*. His latest instructional video is *The Living Wild*, which documents his work in several locations around the world.

Art Wolfe will be available to sign his books and meet collectors at the opening reception for *The Living World* on May 12. He will also be presenting a lecture on his work at the Museum on Saturday May 13 at 9 AM. Please visit www.sdnhm.org/exhibits/visions for updated information.

Fine-art photographs by Joseph Holmes, Abe Ordover, Linde Waidhofer and Huntington Witherill will also be shown.

Work by Joseph Holmes, an avid outdoorsman who has been photographing wild landscapes for over 35 years, will also be shown. Holmes is the author of *ColorBlind Prove it!* software for monitor calibration, which includes his patented visual calibration system. Holmes is also the inventor and patent holder of the small gamut method of printing monochrome images.

Abe Ordover's impressionistic photography, which seeks to convey the emotions felt when one witnesses nature's majesty, will be on view. Ordover's images are a fusion of personal vision, camera work and computer work. He gives the viewer a glimpse into his imagination and perception of a world ever changing. Abe Ordover, the owner of the gallery, has had one-man shows in a dozen museums around the country.

Linde Waidhofer will be showing photography that seeks to express the emotional impact of wild and mysterious landscapes. Through her images of simplicity and abstraction, she explores the secret geometry and design found beneath the surface of the natural world.

Huntington Witherill's photographs represent a remarkably varied approach to the medium of photography. His imagery includes landscapes, studies of pop-art, botanical studies, urban architecture and digital imaging. Witherill's photographs have been published in books of his work and his photography has been shown in more than 85 individual and group exhibitions in museums and galleries throughout the world.

All artwork will be for sale; a substantial portion of proceeds benefit the Museum. Ordover Gallery imagery and artists' biographies and work can be viewed at www.ordovergallery.com. For more information about the show, visit www.sdnhm.org/exhibits. A selection of books by Art Wolfe, Joseph Holmes, Abe Ordover and Linde Waidhofer will be available in the Alex and Elizabeth Wise Museum Store.

The San Diego Natural History Museum is celebrating its 131st anniversary this year. Founded by citizen naturalists, it is the second oldest scientific institution in California and the third oldest west of the Mississippi. An active research institute, the Museum specializes in the study of biodiversity; the results of the research are passed on to the community through the Museum's numerous education programs and exhibitions. Admission is \$9 for adults; \$6 for students, seniors and military; \$5 for children ages three and under; and always free for members. The Museum is open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM with the exception of Thanksgiving and Christmas.