

THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD'S GALLERY 800 ANNOUNCES "FIGURE DRAWING FROM LIFE" EXHIBIT

Opens Jun 25, 2011 with a Hosted Reception

LOS ANGELES, June 7, 2011 – The Art Directors Guild's (ADG) Gallery 800 announces "Figure Drawing From Life," opening Saturday, June 25, 2011, with a hosted reception from 6 pm to 9:30 pm. Located in the heart of the NoHo Arts District, Gallery 800 showcases ADG members' art in a series of shows throughout the year. Gallery 800's previous exhibitions – Women! Images and Interpretations 2, As Seen at Comic-Con, Art Unites and Art Unites: Share the Holidays - opened to industry and art enthusiasts' acclaim.

The June 25 reception will feature artwork from the ADG Tuesday night figure drawing workshop. In addition, music, complimentary valet parking, refreshments, a hosted bar, and the "Misk'i" Argentinean food truck will be on-site. Regular Gallery 800 hours are Thursday through Saturday 2 pm to 8 pm and Sunday 2 pm to 6 pm. For more information and a digital photo gallery, please visit the website at www.Gallery800.com.

A sample of the talented artists participating in this exhibition include:

- Pierre Bernard Jr., Graphic Artist "Late Night with Conan O'Brien"
- Michael Denering, Scenic Artist "The Amazing Spider-Man," "Glee"
- Krystyna Loboda, Production Designer "Dark House," "Hit Factor," "Christina"
- Ryan Woodward, Storyboard Artist "The Avengers," "Cowboys and Aliens," "Iron Man 2"

These artists are leading design professionals, who, through a combination of observation, passion and imagination, bring the writer's words and the director's vision to life in television and film. When not working as integral creative members of the entertainment community, they contribute to the fine art scene with their personal artwork. Since Gallery 800 opened its doors in March 2009, more than 420 ADG members have shown their artwork in the ongoing exhibitions.

Concurrently featured is Peter Koczera, Field Representative for the Art Directors Guild, who attended union protests in Madison, Wisconsin and produced a photographic record of the demonstration entitled, "This is What Democracy Looks Like."

Representing Gallery 800 are Curator Denis Olsen, and Coordinator Nicki La Rosa. Gallery 800's mission is to promote the works of talented entertainment industry professionals, in an intimate venue, on a personal level. For more information, please visit the Gallery 800 website at www.Gallery800.com. Gallery 800 is located at: 5108 Lankershim Blvd. at the Historic Lankershim Arts Center, North Hollywood, CA 91601.

About the Art Directors Guild:

The Art Directors Guild (IATSE Local 800) represents nearly 2,000 members who work throughout the United States, Canada and the rest of the world in film, television and theater as Production Designers, Art Directors, Assistant Art Directors; Scenic, Title and Graphic Artists; Illustrators and Matte Artists; and Set Designers and Model Makers. Established in 1937, the ADG's ongoing activities include a Film Society; an annual Awards Banquet, a creative/technology community (5D: The Future of Immersive Design); a bimonthly craft magazine (Perspective); and extensive technology-training programs, figure drawing and other creative workshops and year-round Gallery 800 art exhibitions. The Guild's Online Directory/Website Resource is at www.adg.org.

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