



ART DIRECTORS GUILD

THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD'S GALLERY 800 ANNOUNCES FIRST EXHIBITION OF 2011

***"As Seen at Comic-Con: an Exhibition of Professional Work by the Illustrators of the ADG"
Opens January 16 with a Hosted Reception***

LOS ANGELES, January 10 – The Art Directors Guild's Gallery 800 announces its first art exhibition of 2011, "As Seen at Comic-Con: an Exhibition of Professional Work by the Illustrators of the ADG," which will open on January 16 with a hosted reception from 6:00-9:00pm. Located in the heart of the famed NoHo Arts District, Gallery 800 showcases guild members' art in a series of shows throughout the year. Gallery 800's previous exhibitions - *Woman! Images and Interpretations*, *Spring into Summer*, *Brothers & Sisters*, *Art Unites 4*, *Art Unites Spring* and *Art Unites: Share the Holidays* - opened to industry acclaim.

The January 16 reception will feature over 80 pieces of professional works featured at the 2010 Comic-Con, the largest comic book and popular arts convention in the world. Created for titles such as "Harry Potter," "Tron," "Tron Legacy," "Twilight," "Star Trek" and many more. The exhibition will peek into the behind-the-scenes worlds of film and television through storyboards, concept art, illustrations and more. Pieces will not be for sale due to their commercial nature however the gift shop will be open.

A sample of the talented illustrators participating in the exhibition include:

- **Dan Sweetman** – Storyboard artist on "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001)
- **Harrison Ellenshaw** – Visual Effects Supervisor on "Tron" (1982)
- **Trevor Goring** – Sr. Illustrator on "Twilight" (2008)
- **Mark Vena** – Storyboard Artist on "Twilight" (2008)
- **Mauro Borrelli** – Illustrator on "The Last Airbender" (2010)

"As Seen at Comic-Con: an Exhibition of Professional Work by the Illustrators of the ADG" will run through February 11, 2011.

During the day, 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 every day 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 last March, over 420 ADG members have shown their artwork in the ongoing exhibitions.

Representing Gallery 800 are Denis Olsen, Curator and Nicki La Rosa, Special Projects Coordinator. Gallery 800's mission is to promote the works of talented entertainment industry professionals, in an intimate venue, on a personal level. Gallery 800 hours are Thursday through Saturday 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Sunday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm. 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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