

PHOTOGRAPHY  
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RON GALELLA LTD.



**Much has been written of Ron Galella.** Widely regarded as the most famous and most controversial celebrity photographer in the world—he's been dubbed “Paparazzo Extraordinaire” by *Newsweek* and “the Godfather of U.S. paparazzi culture” by *Time* and *Vanity Fair*—Galella is clearly willing to take great risks to get the perfect shot. As a result, he has endured two highly publicized court battles with Jacqueline Kennedy-Onassis, a broken jaw at the hands of Marlon Brando, and a serious beating by Richard Burton’s bodyguards before being jailed in Cuernavaca, Mexico. But ultimately, it is his passion for the fine art of photography, coupled with a dedicated do-it-yourself approach to his craft—few artists can claim his level of skill in making their own prints—that sees Ron's body of work exhibited at museums and galleries throughout the world, including the Museum of Modern Art in both New York and San Francisco, the Tate Modern in London, and the Helmut Newton Foundation Museum of Photography in Berlin. Ron's passion for photojournalism has also given rise to many highly acclaimed books including *Disco Years*, which was honored as Best Photography Book of 2006 by *The New York Times*, and *Smash His Camera*, a documentary of his life and career by Oscar-winning director, Leon Gast (*When We Were Kings*, 1996), which premiered at the 2010 Sundance Film Festival and received the Grand Jury Award for Directing in the U.S. Documentary category.

Tantamount to his recognition here at home, the government of Basilicata graciously honored Ron, whose father, Vincenzo Galella, was born in Muro Lucano, by making him an honorary citizen of the Italian region in 2009. Basilicata also opened *Ron Galella: Italian Icons*, a traveling exhibit of over 70 of Ron’s photos, at Palazzo Lanfranchi’s Carlo Levi Hall in Matera. In conjunction with the opening, Ron launched his most recent title, *Viva l’Italia!*—a collection of over 225 images of Italian and Italian-American celebrities from Frank Sinatra to Sophia Loren.

A native New Yorker, Ron served as a United States Air Force photographer during the Korean conflict before attending the Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles, where he earned a degree in Photojournalism.

Ron’s body of work is currently made available for editorial use through [wireimage.com](http://wireimage.com). Please visit [rongalella.com](http://rongalella.com) or email [rongalella@gmail.com](mailto:rongalella@gmail.com) for media inquiries.

## **UPCOMING BOOKS**

### ***Boxing with the Stars***

Spring 2010

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### ***Rock & Roll by Ron Galella***

Fall 2010

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### ***My Obsession, Jackie***

Fall 2010

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### ***The Story Behind The Pictures***

Spring 2011

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## **CURRENT & PAST BOOKS**

### ***Man in the Mirror: Michael Jackson by Ron Galella***

December 2009

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### ***Viva l'Italia!***

May 2009

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### ***No Pictures***

November 2008

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### ***Warhol by Galella: That's Great!***

May 2008

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The Monacelli Press

Seeman Henschel Verlag

### ***Disco Years***

2006

© PowerHouse Books

### ***Ron Galella Exclusive Diary***

2004

© Photology

***The Photographs of Ron Galella 1965-1989***

2001

© Greybull Press

***Offguard: A Paparazzi Look at the Beautiful People***

1976

© McGraw Hill Book Company

***Jacqueline***

1974

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**CURRENT & UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS**

**Clic Gallery**

*That's Great! Andy Warhol* by Ron Galella

February 10 – March 8, 2010

New York, NY

**PAST EXHIBITIONS**

**PowerHouse Arena**

*Man in the Mirror: Michael Jackson / Viva l'Italia!*

January 7 – February 14, 2010

Brooklyn, NY

**Lena Di Gangi Gallery**

*The Photographs of Ron Galella*

December 5, 2009 – January 31, 2010

Totowa, NJ

**Irish Museum of Modern Art**

*Picturing New York: Photographs from The Museum of Modern Art*

November 25, 2009 – February 7, 2010

Dublin, Ireland

**Centaur Theatre**

*Viva l'Italia Exhibition Extravaganza*

October 6 – December 6, 2009

Montreal, Canada

**Palazzo Lanfranchi, Carlo Levi Hall**

*Ron Galella: Italian Icons*

May 9 – June 7, 2009

Matera, Italy

**Archeology Museum of Muro Lucano**

*Viva l'Italia!*

May 2009

Muro Lucano, Italy

**La Casa Encendida**

*Picturing New York: Photographs from The Museum of Modern Art*

March 28 – June 14, 2009

Madrid, Spain

**MART–Museo di arte moderna e contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto**

*Picturing New York: Photographs from The Museum of Modern Art*

July 11 – October 11, 2009

Rovereto, Italy

**Hamburger Bahnhof Museum Für Gegenwart**

*Celebrities: Andy Warhol and the Stars*

October 2008 – February 2009

Berlin, Germany

**Helmut Newton Foundation Museum of Photography**

*Pigozi and the Paparazzi* with Ron Galella and Helmut Newton

June – November 2008

Berlin, Germany

**GMW Law Offices**

*Offguard: Ron Galella Photography*

October 2008

Den Haag, Netherlands

**Staley-Wise Gallery**

*Warhol by Galella: That's Great!*

May 2008

New York, NY

**Galerie Wouter van Leeuwen**

*Warhol by Galella: That's Great!*

May 2008

Amsterdam, Netherlands

**The Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel**

*Warhol by Galella: That's Great!*

May 2008

Hollywood, CA

**The Tate Modern Museum**

*Street + Studio: An Urban History of Photography*

May – August 2008

London, England

**Le Bon Marché**

*Warhol by Galella: That's Great!*

February 20 – March 22, 2008

Paris, France

**The Museum of Modern Art**

Iconic Photographs by Ron Galella acquired into collection

January 2008

San Francisco, CA

**The Museum of Modern Art**

Iconic Photographs by Ron Galella acquired into collection

October 2007

New York, NY

**PowerHouse Arena**

*That 70's Show*

March – April 2007

Brooklyn, NY

**The Gershwin Hotel**

*The Photographs of Ron Galella*

February – March 2007

New York, NY

**PowerHouse Arena**

*Warhol is Dead!*

February – March 2007

Brooklyn, NY

**Galerie Wouter van Leeuwen**

*Disco Years*

December 2, 2006 – January 6, 2007

Amsterdam, Netherlands

**PowerHouse Arena**

*Disco Years*

November, 29 2006 – January, 6 2007

Brooklyn, NY

**Buro Beelende Kunst Vlissinger**

*Ron Galella: The One and Only Paparazzo*

September, 16 2006 – November, 11 2006

Belgium

**Paul Kasmin Gallery**

*Disco Years*

September, 6 2006 – October, 8 2006

New York, NY

**PowerHouse Arena**

*Ron Galella: The Kennedys*

November 2005 – January 2006

Brooklyn, NY

**Kunstforum**

*Superstars: From Warhol to Madonna*

October 2005 – February 2006

Vienna, Austria

**Ferragamo Gallery**

*Ron Galella Exclusive Diary: Caught Off-Guard*

September, 12 2005 – December, 31 2005

New York, NY

**Artelibro Festival of Art and Books**

*Ron Galella Exclusive Diary: Caught Off-Guard*

September, 22 2005 – September, 26 2005

Bologna, Italy

**Galerie Wouter van Leeuwen**

*The Photographs of Ron Galella*

November 27, 2004 – August 1, 2005

Amsterdam, Netherlands

**Photology**

*Ron Galella Exclusive Diary*

September – November 2004

Milan, Italy

**Holt-Renfrew**

*Flick*

September – December 2003

Toronto, Canada

**Paul Kasmin Gallery**

*The Photographs of Ron Galella*

June – August 2002

New York, NY

**The Warhol Museum**

*Ron Galella Retrospective*

June – September 2002

Pittsburgh, PA

**Serge Sorokko Gallery**, 1997, New York, NY

**Nikon Gallery**, 1993, New York, NY

**Octagon Club**, 1987, New York, NY

**William Lyons Gallery**, 1980, Coconut Grove, FL

**Union Carbide**, 1977, New York, NY

**Rizzoli Gallery**, 1976, New York, NY

**G. Ray Hawkins Gallery**, 1976, Los Angeles, CA

**Soho Gallery**, 1972, New York, NY

**PAST LECTURES**

**Centaur Theater**, October 7, 2009, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

**Università degli Studi della Basilicata - Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia**, May 8, 2009, Matera  
Italy

**Archeology Museum of Muro Lucano**, May 12, 2009, Muro Lucano, Italy

**The Learning Annex**, January 8, 1987, New York, NY

**Photo '84 District News Conference**, December 2, 1984, The New York Coliseum, New York,  
NY

**Ohio State University**, May 20, 1981, Columbus, Ohio

**University of Miami**, Wilson Hicks Int'l Visual Communications Conference, *Photography  
with the Paparazzi Approach*, April 13, 1973, Miami, FL