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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. The film was also well-received at the 54th BFI London Film Festival prior to airing on the BBC throughout the United Kingdom, and Europe.

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 *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 Getty Images and their subsidiary WireImage. Please visit rongalella.com or email rongalella@gmail.com for media inquiries.

BOOKS

Boxing with the Stars

October 2011

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Man in the Mirror: Michael Jackson by Ron Galella

December 2009

© PowerHouse Books

Viva l'Italia!

May 2009

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November 2008

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Warhol by Galella: That's Great!

May 2008

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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

C/O Berlin

Ron Galella: Paparazzo Extraordinaire

December 10 – February 26, 2012

Berlin, Germany

PAST EXHIBITIONS

Opera Gallery

Ron Galella: Paparazzo Superstar

September 22 – October 5, 2011

Monaco

A. Galerie

Boxing with the Stars

September 16 – October 22, 2011

Paris, France

Hamiltons Gallery

Vintage Galella

September 14 – October 1, 2011

London, England

PHotoEspaña

Ron Galella: Paparazzo Extraordinaire

Loewe (Gran Via 8)

The Círculo de Bellas Artes

June 1 – July 24, 2011

Madrid, Spain

Young Gallery

Jackie: My Obsession

April 10 – June 5, 2011

Knokke, Belgium

Collège d'Europe

Viva l'Italia!

September 2010

Bruges, Belgium

Staley-Wise Gallery

Smash His Camera

June 15 – August 20, 2010

Clic Gallery

Smash His Camera: The Notorious Photographs of Ron Galella

June 1 – June 30, 2010

New York, NY

Clic Gallery

That's Great! Andy Warhol by Ron Galella

February 10 – March 8, 2010

New York, NY

PowerHouse Arena

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

January 7 – February 14, 2010

Brooklyn, NY

Irish Museum of Modern Art

Picturing New York: Photographs from The Museum of Modern Art

November 25, 2009 – February 7, 2010

Dublin, Ireland

Lena Di Gangi Gallery

The Photographs of Ron Galella

December 5, 2009 – January 31, 2010

Totowa, NJ

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