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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES INTERNATIONAL PHOTO COMPETITION SEMI-FINALISTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Kicking off International Education Week is an exhibition of winning photographs from the 2003 USF International Photo Competition, which was sponsored by International Affairs, the Office of Study Abroad, and Eagle Photographic in Tampa. The contest gave students, faculty, and staff an opportunity to share their international experiences with the community through their photography. More than 350 photos were submitted, and photographs from fourteen semi-finalists be displayed during International Education Week, November 17 to 21, 2003, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in the **William and Nancy Oliver Gallery** of the Fine Arts Studio, USF Tampa Campus.

International Affairs will host an awards ceremony at the exhibit on **Monday, November 17, at noon**, during which time the grand prizes will be announced in each of three categories: Best USF Study Abroad Photo; Best International Landscape, Seascape, or Cityscape; and Best Portrait. The awards ceremony will run from about 12:15 p.m. to about 12:30 p.m., during which time **Dr. JoAnn McCarthy**, Dean of International Affairs, will recognize the three grand prize winners and the eleven Honorable Mentions.

The semi-finalists include: **Stephanie A. Bromfield** (student), **John E. Collins** (Executive Director for Advancement, St. Petersburg Campus), **Rhonda K. Cooke** (student), **Douglas R. Despres** (student), **Tony K. Erben** (Assistant Professor, College of Education), **Sarah Jane Hakken** (student), **Danielle R. O'Connor** (student), **Ryan Orgera** (student), **Gwendolyn Rodriguez** (student), **Leila Sethom** (student), **Graham A. Tobin** (Professor, Geography), **Christopher Tyler Tolbert** (student), **Ruth D. Trimarco** (Program Assistant, Small Business Development Center), and **Jonathon M. Wilson** (Coordinator of Electronic Information and Publication Services, Department of Child & Family Studies).

Judging for the contest was conducted by **Wallace Wilson**, Director of the School of Art and Art History; **Edward J. Friedlander**, Director of the School of Mass Communications and Professor of Photojournalism; **Susan Ansara**, Director of the Office of Study Abroad; and **Jaissen Crockett**, Photo Editor for the Oracle. The judges

selected winning images based on the photo's artistic merit and its ability to communicate the essence of a cross-cultural experience.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education, **International Education Week** aims to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and that attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences in the United States. Throughout International Education Week, International Affairs will sponsor and highlight various cultural and educational activities at USF that support these goals.

"As we work to end the scourge of terrorism, let us also work to increase peace, prosperity and democracy" said Secretary of State Colin L. Powell. "We can do this through international programs that promote the exchange of ideas and the sharing of experiences. These programs give us insight into other languages and cultures and in the process build long lasting relationships among peoples based on mutual understanding, respect and trust."

"International Education Week is a good opportunity for individuals and institutions to promote and celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange," adds Secretary of Education Rod Paige. "I welcome the participation of schools, colleges and universities, embassies, international organizations, businesses, and associations."

Summary of International Photo Competition Exhibit events:

November 17-21, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

2003 International Photo Competition Exhibit

A photographic exhibit of winning images taken by USF faculty, staff, and students for the International Photo Competition.

Location: William and Nancy Oliver Gallery, Fine Arts Studio, Tampa campus

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This event is free and open to the public.

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Monday, November 17, 12:00 p.m.

2003 International Photo Competition Photo Exhibit Awards Reception

Opening reception to announce and honor winning images from the International Photo Competition.

Location: William and Nancy Oliver Gallery, Fine Arts Studio, Tampa campus

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