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The G2 Gallery

***“IRREPLACEABLE: WILDLIFE IN A WARMING WORLD”
EXHIBIT OPENS FOR VIEWING AT G2 GALLERY IN VENICE
(JAN 6 – FEB 15)***

Campaign and Exhibit Educates Public about Species Imperiled by Global Warming, Features Stunning Images by Award-Winning Wildlife Photographers

Venice, CA – “[*Irreplaceable: Wildlife in a Warming World*](#),” a public education campaign and national traveling photo exhibit raising awareness about plants and animals threatened by climate change, will open January 9 at the G2 Gallery in Venice as part of its nation wide tour to raise awareness about the threat to wildlife from climate change and global warming. The exhibit comes to the Los Angeles area as part of a one-year, multi-city tour that will wrap up in Washington, D.C. this spring, where it will present signatures from its “[Call to Care](#)” petition to legislators, reminding them to keep imperiled species threatened by climate change in mind when drafting climate change legislation.

“*Irreplaceable: Wildlife in a Warming World*” is a collaboration of art, justice, science and faith groups that aims to inspire hope, wonder and action through the beauty and power of images. Featuring work by award-winning wildlife conservation photographers, the 40-print exhibit brings the public face-to-face with the wildlife most threatened by climate change. The *Irreplaceable* exhibit is co-sponsored by

[Earthjustice](#), [Noah Alliance](#), [Restoring Eden](#), [International League of Conservation Photographers](#) (ILCP), and [Conservation International's Center for Applied Biodiversity Science](#) (CABS.)

The *Irreplaceable* exhibit will be on display at the [G2 Gallery](#), located in Venice, CA. The *G2 Gallery* is a firm believer in the unity of art and justice. Since opening its doors in March 2008, the G2 Gallery has been committed to promoting the appreciation and conservation of our natural environment through photography and other art forms. G2 presents an illuminating range of exhibits that showcase nature and wildlife photography by artists who inform, inspire and generate greater awareness of the environmental issues we face. For more information on the G2 Gallery, visit their website at www.theg2gallery.com.

In addition to this breathtaking exhibit, *Irreplaceable: Wildlife in a Warming World* is offering media a special “sneak preview” of its DVD, showcasing images of plant and animal species threatened by climate change, and featuring interviews with experts from faith, art, environmental justice and science, including: Cristina Mittermeier of the International League of Conservation Photographers; Rabbi Nina Beth Cardin, Director of the Baltimore Jewish Environmental Network; Trip Van Noppen, President of Earthjustice; Dr. Peter Raven, Director of the Missouri Botanical Garden; Dr. Eric Chivian, Director of the Center for Health and Global Environment (Harvard Medical School); U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI) and others.

Scientists have predicted that global warming will become a leading cause of species extinction in the coming decades. The latest United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report found that 20 to 30 percent of animal and plant species could be at an increased risk of extinction, with up to 60 percent species loss in some areas if global warming continues as predicted.

"Global warming has emerged as the most pressing challenge facing the world today. Our nation's wildlife -- from the Arctic's polar bears to species home to California-- are being affected and we will be judged by future generations on how we respond," said Trip Van Noppen, president of Earthjustice. "Our coalition of faith, science, art and justice partners has united for this exact purpose: to protect imperiled wildlife from the threats of a warming world."

"All faith traditions teach that we are called to care for the vulnerable. And in today's world, this includes species suffering because of climate change," said Suellen Lowry, Noah Alliance program director.

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About the Irreplaceable: Wildlife in a Warming World Campaign:

The *Irreplaceable* campaign educates the public and policy-makers on global warming's impact on wildlife. A collaboration of art, justice, science and faith groups, the campaign aims to inspire hope, wonder and action through the beauty and power of images. The exhibit has been on tour since April of 2008, and has been displayed in Providence, RI; Missoula, MT; Seattle, WA; Aspen, CO; San Francisco, CA; San Diego, CA and now St. Paul, MN. After Los Angeles, the exhibit will make a final tour stop in Washington, D.C.

About the campaign partners:

Earthjustice (www.earthjustice.org) Earthjustice is a non-profit public-interest law firm dedicated to protecting the magnificent places, natural resources and wildlife of this earth and to defending the right of all people to a healthy environment. It brings about far-reaching change by enforcing and strengthening environmental laws on behalf of hundreds of organizations and communities.

Noah Alliance (www.noahalliance.org) The Noah Alliance is a collaboration of Jewish, Evangelical, Protestant, and other religious community organizations, and individual people of faith, that are concerned about the protection of endangered species and biological diversity. It seeks to provide a service by facilitating education and action among members of the religious community who are concerned about the most imperiled species. The members of the Noah Alliance include Restoring Eden, Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life, and the Academy of Evangelical Scientists and Ethicists.

Restoring Eden (<http://www.restoringeden.org/>) is a network of people working to become a grassroots movement within the church. As a parachurch ministry, it is dedicated to encouraging faithful stewardship of the natural world as a biblical, moral and wise value. This is also a very neglected part of the conversation and life of the church today.

International League of Conservation Photographers (www.ilcp.com) is a consortium of professional photographers, known as Fellows, who have demonstrated the highest skills in photography, outstanding ethical standards in the capture, manipulation and captioning of images, and a sustained commitment to conservation. Its mission is to further environmental and cultural conservation through photography.

The Center for Applied Biodiversity Science (CABS), the scientific hub of Conservation International, works to link science and action to guide the conservation

of nature worldwide. Founded in 1999 with generous support from the [Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation](#), CABS brings together a staff of more than 70 research scientists who are highly respected in their fields and dedicated to saving our biodiversity (<http://science.conservation.org>).

About G2 Gallery

Established in March 2008, the G2 Gallery in Venice, California, is a green art space with a dedicated focus on contemporary nature and wildlife photography. In keeping with G2's commitment to supporting arts and the environment, the gallery presents exhibitions with eco-conscious themes, donating the proceeds from all art sales to environmental charities and hosts free concerts and lectures that bring awareness of critical issues to our community.

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