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John Carlano: Women and Men

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held in conjunction with Jason Martin: *Count Down* and Alexandra Broches: *Places*

OPENING RECEPTION
Friday, May 18, 2001 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. at The Print Center

PHILADELPHIA, - Philadelphia photographer, John Carlano will present a new body of work conceived as a year-long documentation of photographs of various individuals he encountered throughout the year 2000. Using a 19th century large format camera and contemporary lighting and film Carlano bridges three centuries of making photographs. The photographs, most of which were taken in his studio, are of friends, visitors and their friends, family members and clients. The significance and function of recording a quite random group of people in the first year of the new millennium will only be revealed over time.

“I don’t consider these photographs ‘portraits,’” explains Carlano. “They are photographs of individuals. They describe a complex surface. They are about how we read that surface, not necessarily who these people are.” Each viewer will read these images differently. For the artist, this group is about issues of “looking,” “seeing” and about the inherent richness of the human landscape.

For the past twenty years, John Carlano has worked in the Philadelphia area as a fine artist, commercial photographer and educator. He is currently Adjunct Professor of Media Arts at the University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA. His commercial work includes everything from advertising to art reproduction, specializing in both portraiture and still life.

Founded in 1915, as The Print Club, The Print Center's mission is to support printmaking and photography as vital contemporary arts and to encourage the appreciation of the printed image in all its forms. The Print Center holds approximately 11 exhibitions annually, offers mentoring opportunities for artists, and original artwork for sale in the Print Center Gallery Store. Membership numbers more than 1,500.

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