

ANNENBERG SPACE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY PRESENTS
IDENTITY: TIMOTHY GREENFIELD-SANDERS THE LIST PORTRAITS
First Exhibition of World-Renowned Photographer's Full *List Series* Portraits
and Debut of *The Trans List*, Intimate Portraits of Transgender Pioneers
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Los Angeles, CA (August 17, 2016) – On September 24, 2016, the Annenberg Space for Photography brings together for the first time all 151 photographs in *IDENTITY: Timothy Greenfield-Sanders The List Portraits*. In addition, the series' latest installment, *The Trans List*, will premiere a curation of 40 intimate and revealing photographs of members of the transgender community. *The Trans List* will also debut as an HBO Documentary Film on December 5th, 2016. The never previously exhibited collection of *The Trans List* portraits will be on display at the Annenberg Space for Photography beside Timothy Greenfield-Sanders' existing images from *The Black List*, *The Latino List*, *The Women's List* and *The Out List*. *The List* series offers a refreshing and deeply engaging look into race, gender, class, sexuality and ethnicity in America. This exhibition runs through February 2017.

The *List* project began over 10 years ago with Nobel laureate Toni Morrison. "I was shooting her portrait for *Margaret Garner*, an opera for which she had written the libretto," said Greenfield-Sanders. "During lunch we discussed the extraordinary number of black divas who auditioned for the production. 'Timothy,' she said, 'You should shoot portraits of black divas for a book. I'll write the text.'"

From there, the idea blossomed into multiple HBO Documentary Films and what is now a collection that spans 151 interviews and photography portraits, eight documentaries, four books, thirteen solo museum exhibitions, two museum catalogs and an educational initiative reaching

countless schools and universities. It is unlike any project in media today: riveting, entertaining, and educating people of all ages on multiple platforms, as it humanizes the world in which we live. The Annenberg Space for Photography is proud to become the host for many conversations about these globally relevant topics.

“A great portrait does so much more than merely capture its subject,” said Wallis Annenberg, Chairman, President and CEO of the Annenberg Foundation. “It gives us a glimpse into the subject’s humanity, sometimes even a window into the soul. That’s what Timothy Greenfield-Sanders achieves through his extraordinary photographic eye, and I’m delighted that he has turned his lens and his wonderful talent toward the trans community with *The Trans List*. These stirring and engaging portraits explore the very notion of what separates us and what unites us—how gender and sexuality shape us and define us as people. It’s a highly compelling look at a long-ignored community, and it is truly great art at the same time. To engage and enlighten and astonish, as these photographs do, is the very purpose of the Annenberg Space, and I’m pleased that we’re able to debut this new work.”

Image captions:

CHRIS ROCK | 2007

In addition to being one of the world’s most admired comedians, Chris Rock is a successful screenwriter, producer, director and actor. Among other honors, his work has earned him four Emmy Awards (on thirteen nominations) and three Grammy Awards.

EVA LONGORIA | 2010

Eva Longoria is best known for her Golden Globe-nominated role on the television series *Desperate Housewives*. In 2006 she was honored with the American Latino Media Arts (ALMA) Award for Person of the Year. Longoria earned her master’s degree in Chicano studies.

JANET MOCK | 2016

Janet Mock is a journalist, advocate, and *New York Times* best-selling author (*Redefining Realness*). A contributing editor for *Marie Claire*, Mock hosted MSNBC’s pop-culture series *So POPular!*, created the empowerment platform #girlslkeus and produced HBO’s *The Trans List*. She is writing a memoir about her twenties for Atria Books.

MADELEINE ALBRIGHT | 2011

Madeleine Albright was the first woman to serve as the United States’ Secretary of State. Born in Czechoslovakia, Albright and her family emigrated to the U.S. through Ellis Island when she was 11. Albright served, under President Clinton, as Secretary of State from 1997-2001.

NEIL PATRICK HARRIS | 2012

Neil Patrick Harris is an actor, producer, singer, comedian, magician, and television host. He starred in the TV show *How I Met Your Mother*, which was nominated for four Emmy Awards. He was named one of *Time* magazine’s “100 Most Influential People” in 2010 and has two children with his partner, David Burtka.

Additional images are available upon request.

ABOUT TIMOTHY GREENFIELD-SANDERS

Photographer and filmmaker Timothy Greenfield-Sanders is known for his strikingly intimate portraits of world leaders and major cultural figures. From presidents to porn stars, artists to Oscar winners, Greenfield-Sanders’ work defines a certain cultural photographic canon of our time. His portraits can be found in numerous museum collections; both the Museum of Modern Art and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston own limited editions sets of *Art World*, his 1999 collection of 700 portraits of artists, dealers, collectors and critics. In 2012, the National Portrait

Gallery in Washington, D.C. exhibited all fifty large-scale images from *The Black List* series. Greenfield-Sanders has produced and directed eleven documentary films to date. He won a Grammy Award for his 1998 film *Lou Reed: Rock and Roll Heart* and a NAACP Spirit Award in 2009 for *The Black List: Volume 1* (HBO). In 2015, he received the Pratt Legend Award. His recent films include the Sundance premiered doc *About Face: Supermodels Then and Now* (HBO), *The Out List* (HBO) and *The Women's List* (PBS' *American Masters*). Books of Greenfield-Sanders' work have been published by Atria, Skira, Powerhouse, Bulfinch and Fotofolio. Timothy Greenfield-Sanders received his B.A. from Columbia University in New York and his M.F.A. from the American Film Institute in Los Angeles.

ABOUT THE ANNENBERG SPACE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

The Annenberg Space for Photography is a cultural destination dedicated to exhibiting both digital and print photography in an intimate environment. The space features state-of-the-art, high-definition digital technology as well as traditional prints by some of the world's most renowned photographers and a selection of emerging photographic talents as well. The venue, an initiative of the Annenberg Foundation and its trustees, is the first solely photographic cultural destination in the Los Angeles area, and it creates a new paradigm in the world of photography.

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