

# Presentation by National Geographic Photographer Sam Abell



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**Sunday, May 3, 2009, 3 – 5 p.m.**

**Akron Art Museum**

**Lehner Family Foundation Auditorium**

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society is pleased to welcome Sam Abell for a presentation of his work, featuring images from his recent book, *The Life of a Photograph*, at the Akron Art Museum. The presentation is open to the public.

For over thirty years, Sam Abell has practiced artistic expression through documentary photography. He has pursued his goals primarily through his many assignments for National Geographic magazine and through his book projects. He has photographed more than 20 articles on various cultural and wilderness subjects. He also maintains a career as an artist, teacher, and author. He is particularly interested in the cultural landscape, and finds ways to record them with both eloquence and imagination. In 1990 Sam's work was the subject of a one-man exhibition at the International Center of Photography, New York City. A companion book, *Stay This Moment*, was published at that time.

His book credits include *Contemplative Gardens*, *The Inward Garden: Creating a Place of Beauty and Meaning*, *Australia: Journey Through a Timeless Land*, and *Seeing Gardens*. In 2002, he worked with author Leah Bendavid-Val to produce a retrospective of his life and work titled *Sam Abell: The Photographic Life*. His most recent book, *The Life of a Photograph*, was published in October 2008.

## **Tickets:**

Tickets are \$10, available at the door for general seating on a first come, first served basis.

Discounts:

\$7 for CVPS members\*

\$7 for Akron Art Museum members \*

\*Please bring your membership card to receive discount.

## **Directions and Parking:**

Akron Art Museum is located at One South High Street in Akron. A map and directions are available at

[www.akronartmuseum.com/map/](http://www.akronartmuseum.com/map/)

Free parking is available directly across from the museum in the parking deck at the corner of High and Market streets.

## **Book Signing:**

There will be a book signing immediately after the presentation. Copies of *The Life of a Photograph* will be available for purchase. \$40. Cash or check only.



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