



## *Press Release*

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### **LCC HOSTS INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT**

LANSING - Top student photographs from around the world are on public display **from January 4<sup>th</sup> through January 21<sup>st</sup>, in the Gannon Building first floor display cases (east central hallway between the two circle drives across the hall from Rooms 137 through 152), Monday through Thursday 7 am-10 pm; Friday 7 am-8 pm; and Saturday and Sunday 8 am-6 pm.** The exhibit will be closed on Monday, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, for Martin Luther King Day. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

The 64 images, chosen from 6,080 entries submitted by 114 schools, include the best work from eight countries: Australia, Canada, China, Guatemala, India, Iran, South Africa, and the USA. The exhibit is currently on a three year world tour.

The Photo Imaging Education Association (PIEA) International Exhibition travels in two editions to 54 venues in Australia, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the USA. No other student photo competition is seen by as many people or in as many places. Students competed by grade levels in single images, portfolios, and computer assisted images. The \$162,700+ in valuable prizes awarded to the 91 winners was sponsored by 69 generous companies and organizations from four countries, making the PIEA competition the richest international student photo competition in the world.

Competition judges for 2009 were Vicki Goldberg, influential writer and critic on photography and author of *The Power of Photography: How Photographs Changed our Lives* (1991); David Leeson, Pulitzer prize-winning photojournalist for the *Dallas Morning News*, Dallas, Texas; and Cheryl Younger, former chair of the National Society for Photographic Education and founding director of the National Graduate Seminar, New York.

Photo Imaging Education Association is a membership section of Photo Marketing Association, the worldwide professional organization for the photo industry. PIEA members are professional educators from the USA and from around the world who teach photography and digital imaging at all educational levels. All the 2009 winning images may be seen at <http://pieapma.org/cms/>.

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### **About Lansing Community College**

Lansing Community College is Michigan's third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in *general education* for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, *career and workforce development*, *developmental education* and *personal enrichment*. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, non-credit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit [www.lcc.edu](http://www.lcc.edu).