THE INTERNATIONAL SCULPTURE CENTER HONORS JOEL SHAPIRO WITH THE 2015 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

(Hamilton, NJ) The 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award in Contemporary Sculpture will be presented to world-renowned sculptor Joel Shapiro at the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala on April 15, 2015, from 6:00-10:00PM at The Edison Ballroom in New York City. The 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala will bring together artists, arts patrons, and professionals to celebrate Mr. Shapiro’s remarkable career. The 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala will include a cocktail reception, seated dinner, and an awards ceremony, where Joel Shapiro will be in attendance.

Born in New York City in 1941, Joel Shapiro has explored the possibilities of sculptural form throughout his fifty-year career in the visual arts. Since his first exhibition at the Paula Cooper Gallery in 1970, his work has been the subject of numerous solo and retrospective exhibitions at institutions including the Whitechapel Gallery, London, 1980; Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, 1982; Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, 1985; Walker Art Center, Minneapolis (jointly with the Nelson-Atkins Museum, Kansas City), 1995-6; Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Roof Garden, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 2001; Museum Ludwig, Cologne, 2011; and Musée d’Art Moderne, Saint-Étienne, France. His work can be found in public collections worldwide, including the Museum of Modern Art, Whitney Museum, and Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; Tate Gallery, London; Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam; Moderna Museet, Stockholm; and Musée National d’Art Moderne, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris. Prominent commissions include Loss and Regeneration for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C., and Now, installed at the U.S. Consulate in Guangzhou, China, and commissioned by the Foundation for Art and Preservation in Embassies. Mr. Shapiro is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and was named Chevalier dans l’Ordre des Arts et des Lettres in 2005. He lives and works in New York City.

Tickets for the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala will start at $750 with tables starting at $10,000. RSVP by April 1, 2015. To purchase tickets, learn more information, or join the mailing list, please visit www.sculpture.org/shapiro or contact the events department by calling 609.689.1051 x302 or via email at events@sculpture.org. All proceeds from the Gala benefit the programs and services of the International Sculpture Center.

The International Sculpture Center’s Board of Trustees established the Lifetime Achievement Award in 1991 to recognize individual sculptors who have made exemplary contributions to the field of sculpture. Candidates for the award are masters of sculptural processes and techniques who have devoted their careers to the development of a laudable body of work, as well as to the advancement of the sculpture field as a whole. Past recipients include Magdalena Abakanowicz, Fletcher Benton, Fernando Botero, Louise Bourgeois, Sir Anthony Caro, Elizabeth Catlett, John Chamberlain, Eduardo Chillida, Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Mark di Suvero, Nancy Holt, Richard Hunt, Phillip King, William King, Manuel Neri, Claes Oldenburg and Coosje van Bruggen, Nam June Paik, Beverly Pepper, Judy Pfaff, Arnaldo Pomodoro, Giò Pomodoro, Robert Rauschenberg, George Rickey, Ursula von Rydingsvard, George Segal, Kenneth Snelson, Frank Stella, and William Tucker.

The International Sculpture Center (ISC) is a member-supported, nonprofit organization founded in 1960 to champion the creation and understanding of sculpture and its unique, vital contribution to society. Members include sculptors, collectors, patrons, architects, developers, journalists, curators, historians, critics, educators, foundries, galleries, and museums— anyone with an interest in and commitment to the field of sculpture. Please visit www.sculpture.org.

############

International Sculpture Center, Publisher of Sculpture magazine,
14 Fairgrounds Rd., Suite B, Hamilton, NJ 08619-3447 USA
TEL 609.689.1051   FAX 609.689.1061 www.sculpture.org