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The International Sculpture Center Honors Sculptor
William King with a Lifetime Achievement Award

(Hamilton, NJ) The International Sculpture Center (ISC) will gather arts patrons and professionals from around the world to honor the life and work of sculptor William King. Now in its 16th year, the 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala will take place Wednesday, November 7, 2007, at the Tribeca Rooftop, in New York City. Mr. King is expected to attend this event. The evening will include cocktails, dinner, and entertainment.

William King was born in 1925 in Jacksonville, Florida. King, best known for his figurative sculptures with exaggerated long legs, will be recognized for his lifetime of works which include a multitude of mediums including wood, terra cotta, bronze, and aluminum. Known for humor and satire throughout his work, in King’s portrayals of people and the human figure the emotions are never unflattering and can often be characterized as whimsical making them easy for people of all ages to appreciate. Some can even be characterized as grotesque and or ominous, however all have a personal connection to the artist and inspire thought.

The Early Works of William King, a selection of King’s pieces created in the 1950’s at the beginning of King’s career, recently shown at the Alexandre Gallery in New York City received accolades from the New York Times bringing deserved attention to King’s early work. King has exhibited his work for nearly 50 years and his shows include exhibitions at the Modern Museum of Art NY; Whitney Museum of American Art: The White House, Seacon Square Bangkoko, Thailand; and Grounds For Sculpture in Princeton, NJ.

The International Sculpture Center’s Board of Directors 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 Manuel Neri, Magdalena Abakanowicz, Louise Bourgeois, Sir Anthony Caro, Elizabeth Catlett, John Chamberlain, Eduardo Chillida, Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Mark di Suvero, Claes Oldenburg and Coosje van Bruggen, Nam June Paik, Gio’ Pomodoro, Robert Rauschenberg, George Rickey, George Segal and Kenneth Snelson.

Tickets for the 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award Gala are $500 and tables start at $5,000. For further information, please contact Dawn Molignano, by calling 609.689.1051, extension 308, 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 (ISC) is a member-supported, nonprofit organization founded in 1960 to advance 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.

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