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**GUY STANLEY PHILOCHE and Academy Award® winner ZANA BRISKI present
New Projects**

An evening of painting and photography to benefit Kids with Cameras

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Point of View Gallery, 638 W. 28th St., NYC
6 – 9 pm

New York, NY, March 23, 2007 – Artist Guy Stanley Philoche has partnered with the Academy Award® -winning director of *Born into Brothels*, Zana Briski, and her organization Kids with Cameras, to host an evening that celebrates the transformative power of art.

A rising star in the art world, Philoche (www.philochestudios.com) will unveil new paintings from his “Untitled” series. This group utilizes a simple structure to create a sense of balance and symmetry, complemented by bold colors and lush, tactile surfaces. Briski (www.zanabriski.com) will present her recently released book of photos, BROTHEL, a documentation of the women of Calcutta’s red-light district—the harsh realities of their lives, as well as the hidden beauty.

Both are passionate artists who are committed to their work and have come together through Kids with Cameras, the non-profit organization Briski founded out of her work teaching photography to children from Calcutta’s red-light district. Her film *Born into Brothels* showed audiences around the world how art can instill hope, self-esteem and empowerment in a group of children whom society had shunned. Kids with Cameras (www.kids-with-cameras.org) has extended that model to a new photography project in Haiti, with child domestic servants. A selection of photographs from the Haiti project will be exhibited as part of the evening.

It is Kids with Cameras’ work in Haiti that inspired Philoche to collaborate with the organization. A native of Port-au-Prince, he immigrated with his family to the United States in 1980 but is dedicated to promoting the spirit and energy of Haiti and its people. As a young Haitian-American man, it was art that helped guide him away from the very real possibility of becoming another statistic.

Briski and Philoche will attend the event, which is expected to draw celebrities, art aficionados and members of the Haitian community alike. A portion of the proceeds from the event will go to benefit Kids with Cameras.

The evening will feature:

- New paintings from the “Untitled” series by Guy Stanley Philoche
- Book signing of BROTHEL, photographs by Zana Briski
- Images from the Kids with Cameras Haiti workshop

Artwork by Philoche and Kids with Cameras Haiti will be on display at the gallery through June 27.

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