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11TH ANNUAL BLACK AND WHITE SPIDER AWARDS HONORS PHOTOGRAPHER MR ÅKE ALM FROM SWEDEN BUT LIVING IN GERMANY.

LOS ANGELES 7 November 2016 – Amateur photographer Mr Åke Alm of Germany was presented with the 11th Annual Black and White Spider Awards Nominee title in the category of Architectural, Nature and People at a prestigious Nomination & Winners PhotoShow webcast Saturday, November 5, 2016.

The live online gala was attended by over 10,500 photography fans around the globe who logged on to watch the climax of the industry's most important event for black and white photography.

11th Annual Jury members included captains of the industry from National Geographic, Washington DC; The Armory Show, New York; TBWA, Paris; Victoria Film Festival, Canada; Aeroplastics Contemporary, Brussels; Studio Hansa, London; Fratelli Alinari, Florence; Australian Centre for Photography; Young & Rubicam, Lima; and Anthem Worldwide/Marque Branding, Sydney who honored Spider Fellows with 627 coveted title awards and 951 nominees in 31 categories.

"It is an incredible achievement to be selected among the best from the 7,556 entries we received this year," said Basil O'Brien, the awards Creative Director. "Åkes "Sunny Lane," entered in the Architectural category, "on the top" entered in the Nature category and "Lucia 2" entered in the people category exceptional images represents black and white photography at its finest, and we're pleased to present him with the title of Nominee." Jury member Paola Anselmi, interdisciplinary curator and arts writer in Australia added, "As always it was a real treat to be part of the program. Congratulations to all involved and to all the remarkable photographers who gift us new insights into the world and ourselves." "A truly amazing set of entries, so many deserving winners," added Marcel Wijnen, Creative Director at Anthem Worldwide.

BLACK AND WHITE SPIDER AWARDS is the leading international award honoring excellence in black and white photography. This celebrated event shines a spotlight on the best professional and amateur photographers worldwide and honors the finest images with the highest achievements in black and white photography. www.thespiderawards.com

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