17th LUCIE AWARDS HONOR THE MASTERS OF PHOTOGRAPHY
GALA RETURNS TO KICK OFF PHOTO WEEK
ZANKEL HALL AT CARNEGIE HALL NYC
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Stephen Shore for Achievement in Fine Art
Annie Leibovitz for Achievement in Portraiture
Ellen Von Unwerth for Achievement in Fashion
Maggie Steber for Achievement in Photojournalism
Edward Burtynsky for Achievement in Documentary
Zanele Muholi will receive the Humanitarian Award
Rencontres d’Arles will receive the Spotlight/Visionary Award
Al Bello for Achievement in Sports

The Impact Award is given to a photographer whose image or body of work has created a difference in a given year. The recipient of this award will be announced in September.

Lauren Wendliss, President, Lucie Foundation, remarked, “Each year, The Lucie Awards strive to honor the best in our field and this year is no exception. Among those we recognize, Jay Maisel is the deserving recipient of this year’s 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award. Jay, the subject of Stephen Wilkes’ documentary, “Jay Myself,” is known for his enormous talent and extensive body of work, both of which loom large in the industry, and are beautifully portrayed in this film. This documentary premiered at the DOC NYC festival and will open in theaters across the country this summer with an NYC opening on July 31 at Film Forum. The film documents Maisel’s move from his 3,000 square-foot, a 100-year-old landmark building in New York known as “The Bank,” to start a new chapter in Brooklyn, all shown from the perspective of his friend and fellow photographer Stephen Wilkes.”

Hossein Farmani, founder of The Lucie Awards added, “For the 17th year, The Lucie Awards are thrilled to honor the most exceptional talent in our global community. Rencontres d’Arles, the annual summer photography festival founded in 1970 by photographer Lucien Clergue, will be awarded the Spotlight/Visionary Award for all that it brings to the photographic community. At a later date, we will announce the honoree deserving of this year’s Lucie Impact Award, created to acknowledge the impact of a photograph or a body of work in a given year. We look forward to celebrating these extraordinary lives and careers on October 22, at Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall - which has become Lucie Foundation’s New York home each October.”

At this year’s gala, The International Photography Awards (IPA), the outstanding global competition, and sister-effort of The Lucie Awards will announce the winners of The International Photographer of the Year and The Lucie Discovery of the Year awards.

The Lucie Awards also honor the year’s best photographic achievements of the industry by presenting seven Support Category Awards. These categories range from Book Publisher of the Year to Fashion Layout of the Year and Curator/Exhibition of the Year. Recent winners have included Phaidon (for Generation Wealth: Lauren Greenfield), Jeff L. Rosenheim and Maria Morris Hambourg (for Irving Penn: Centennial at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City) and AnOther Magazine (for The Full Story: Solange Knowles for AnOther Magazine A/W17 by Peter Lindbergh). These Support Awards acknowledge the individuals and institutions that play a critical role in the crafting and promoting of images. The nominees will be announced in September.

The Lucie Awards is the signature program of Lucie Foundation, the nonprofit charitable organization. Tickets will go on sale this summer. More information is available at https://www.lucies.org.

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About Lucie Foundation - Lucie Foundation’s mission is to honor master photographers, recognize current photographers, discover and cultivate emerging talent, and promote the appreciation of photography worldwide. The foundation presents year-round programming to support emerging photographers through the Lucie Scholarship Program and master photographers through The Lucie Awards. Other programs include The Lucie Technical Awards (LTA), exhibitions, talks and workshops at the House of Lucie Galleries, Month of Photography Los Angeles (MOPLA), The Lucie Photo Book Prize.

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