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The Albright-Knox Art Gallery Will Present *Art in Hockey* as part of the Inaugural Western New York Hockey Expo

Exhibition at Convention Center on November 14 and 15

Buffalo, NY — The Albright-Knox Art Gallery will create a small exhibition entitled ***Art in Hockey*** for the Inaugural Western New York Hockey Expo scheduled for November 14 and 15 at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center. The exhibition will feature eleven photographic works from the Gallery's Permanent Collection by David Levinthal (American, born 1949), as well as a special installation that will help visitors explore how Levinthal's work was made.

Levinthal's photographs focus on blurring the lines between the real and the artificial. He has created multiple series of works that incorporate store-bought toys and figurines, which he uses as the subject matter in his photographs. By using toys as his models, Levinthal touches upon one of the most basic childhood experiences: play. The act of growing up and exploring time and space from a living room floor and imagining events far beyond a child's reach go hand in hand with the toys that facilitate these adventures.

In his series *Hockey*, the artist focuses on seemingly historic moments in hockey. He has selected positions for the models that exemplify the things that make the game great. The poses of the figures give motion to a still photograph and the sense that nothing else matters except one particular, magical moment as seen through the lens of the camera. In the work being shown in this small exhibition, Levinthal has recreated the essence of memories we may or may not have of the greatest moments in hockey.

"We are really pleased to partner with *Western New York Hockey Magazine* to present this great exhibition to hockey fans," Gallery Director Louis Grachos said. "I think visitors to the Expo will enjoy exploring great moments in hockey through these wonderful images that celebrate the game."

Art in Hockey will be on view during the Expo at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center on Saturday, November 14, from 10 am until 8 pm, and on Sunday, November 15, from 10 am until 5 pm and is open to all Expo ticket-holders.

The Albright-Knox Art Gallery is recognized as one of the world's leading collections of modern and contemporary art. With more than 6,500 works in its collection and a dynamic series of exhibitions and public programs, the AKAG continues to grow and fulfill its mission to acquire, exhibit, and preserve modern and contemporary art in an enriching, dynamic, and vibrant environment.

NEW GALLERY HOURS BEGINNING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday noon to 5 pm; Friday noon to 10 pm; Closed Mondays and Independence, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days. Admission: \$12 for adults; \$8 for seniors and students; free for Gallery Members and children 12 and under. On Fridays from 3 to 10 pm, *Gusto at the Gallery* features a variety of free programs for visitors of all ages. For additional information, visit www.albrightknox.org.

About the WNY Hockey Expo

The WNY Hockey Expo is being presented jointly by Showcase Sports Marketing and WNY Hockey Magazine. For more information on the Expo, visit www.wnyhockeyexpo.com. For more information on Showcase Sports Marketing, visit www.showcasesportsmarketing.com and for more information on WNY Hockey Magazine, visit www.wnyhockeymag.com.

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