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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

youTHink Presents “Our World: Photography by Urban Youth” Exhibit on November 30<sup>th</sup>

Los Angeles, CA – Forty urban middle and high school youth attending 26 low-income public schools in the Los Angeles area make up this year’s youTHink student internship. As part of a 3-session photography workshop with professional photographer Andrei Andreev and theater arts educator Julianne Gale, these students learned the basics of photography, from composition to mood to message. They were asked to photograph something that symbolizes *their* world. The students’ images and artist statements will be exhibited at a free special reception next week.

At the reception, students will have an opportunity to talk to guests about their work. Their work will be available for purchase, both framed and unframed, and the money raised will be used to fund youTHink programming. To learn more about youTHink or RSVP to the event, please visit [www.youthink.org](http://www.youthink.org).

### **What:**

Our World: Photography by Urban Youth

### **When:**

Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 6:00-9:00pm

### **Where:**

Hamilton-Selway Fine Art  
8678 Melrose Avenue  
West Hollywood, CA 90069

### **About youTHink and the Student Internship**

**youTHink** is the nationally recognized arts and education program of the Zimmer Children’s Museum. Reaching over 3,000 students yearly in Los Angeles through youTHink lessons in schools and youth programming beyond the classroom, youTHink uses the power of art to foster youth's critical thinking about contemporary issues and empowers them to make a difference in their communities and in the wider world.

The **youTHink internship** is a year-long leadership and community involvement program for middle and high school students. Interns commit an average of 15 hours/ month to develop and expand their leadership skills, increase self-awareness, deepen their knowledge about social issues, and learn skills and tools they can use to make a difference in their communities. The internship brings diverse youth together from different schools, communities and cultures to help develop events for their peers, and recruit students to participate. Through the program, students gain confidence and competence, and become increasingly able to apply what they learn at youTHink in other settings and experiences.

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