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## <u>CHICAGO PHOTOGRAPHER RICHARD MACK CELEBRATES 30 YEAR</u> <u>COLLECTION OF IMAGES FROM GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS</u>

EVANSTON, Sept. 8--Celebrated photographer, Richard Mack, is showcasing a snapshot of

his collection of breathtaking images from his recent book Great Smoky Mountains National Park:

Thirty Years of American Landscapes.

What: Book Release Gathering
Who: Photographer, Richard Mack
When: Saturday, September 12, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Studio Flo

1128 Florence
Evanston, IL

In this anthology, Richard Mack brings his images to life depicting his 30 year love affair with the most visited national park, Great Smoky Mountains. What began as a camping excursion for a "20 something" photographer, has culminated into a 245 image book sweeping the array of seasons at this 75-year-old national park. From its lush dew laden prairie grass near Cades Cove to sunset from Morton Overlook after a late winter snowfall on Clingmans Dome, Richard's photos capture the essence of life in this pristine treasure.

"Of all the books we have seen over the years, Richard Mack's book by far captures the timeless, awe inspiring, beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains. His photographic journey through the park springs to life from the pages of this stunning book," Carl Gheesling, Store Manager, Great Smoky Mountain National Park Stores. Previously, Richard published a widely acclaimed book, *The Lewis & Clark Trail: American Landscapes*, featuring images along the trail as Lewis and Clark originally experienced. In 2007, this book earned Richard the coveted "International Nature Photographer of the Year," award, in the professional category from the International Color Awards.

As a commercial photographer, Richard Mack has shot assignments throughout the United States and many countries around the world. But it's Richard's longtime passion for landscape photography that has caught the eye of numerous galleries around the country.

Quiet Light Publishing specializes in publishing fine art photographic works, archival fine art prints and photographic books of extraordinary quality. For a glimpse into *Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Thirty Years of American Landscapes*, stop by www.quietlightpublishing.com!

In addition, Richard Mack has served as president of "The Victims of Pan Am Flight 103," a group dedicated to aviation security in the aftermath of the downed plane over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988. Richard's brother was a passenger on the flight.

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