

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### ***LUCIEN HERVE AND RODOLF HERVE PRIZE 2010 – Photography***

**The Lucien Hervé and Rodolf Hervé Prize for photography in 2010 was awarded jointly to the photographers Alexis Cordesse and Akos Czigany, marking the fourth occasion that this prize has been granted.**

Within the context of the annual *Mois de la Photo* [Photo Month in Paris], this year's theme was based on "**The Language of the City**".

Convening at the École Spéciale d'Architecture de Paris on September 13, 2010, the jury members Judith Hervé, Agnès b. (represented by Elodie Cazes), Olivier Beer, Didier Brousse, Gilles de Bure, Odile Decq (represented by Claire Chevrier), Françoise Morin, and Françoise Reynaud chose to honour the works of Alexis Cordesse (France) and Akos Czigany (Hungary).

Initiated by Judith and Lucien Hervé, in memory of their son Rodolf, this prize for photography recompenses the work of a young professional, aged 25–43, by enabling his or her artistic work to be better known. The competition is open to all candidates residing in France or Hungary for at least three years, regardless of their nationality.

In partnership with the École spéciale d'architecture de Paris, committed to reinforcing the role of photography in the education of future architects, the Lucien Hervé and Rodolf Hervé Prize is awarded after a double evaluation process. Based on the recommendations of a committee of qualified experts in the field Béatrice Andrieux, Armelle Canitrot, Gabriella Csizek, Patrick Le Bescond, Hervé Le Goff, and Attila Pöcze eighteen candidates' dossiers from France and Hungary were thus selected.

The awards ceremony will take place on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 in the presence of the jury and committee in the exhibition gallery of the École Spéciale d'Architecture, 254 boulevard Raspail, Paris 75014. The premiated photographs will be on display until Friday, December 10, 2010.

The prize of 6,000€ (3,000€ for each of the photographers this year) and a booklet of their award-winning works will be presented by Judith Hervé at the École Spéciale d'Architecture de Paris.

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