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MIZEL MUSEUM ANNOUNCES WINNER

OF BABI YAR PARK PUBLIC ART PROJECT

April 14, 2008 - The Babi Yar Park Evaluation Panel, a group comprised of members of the Mizel Museum Board of Directors, the Babi Yar Park Foundation and the City and County of Denver, announced that the architect/public artist team lead by Julian Bonder and Krzysztof Wodiczko have won the competition for the Babi Yar Park Memorial Art Project. This project will create a Memorial to the Victims of World Terrorism at Babi Yar Park in Denver. Wodiczko + Bonder were one of five teams selected to submit proposals for the project. Their office is based in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Wodiczko + Bonder are an award-winning design and artistic partnership focusing on projects concerning new approaches to public space and public memory. Among their projects is the Memorial to the Abolition of Slavery, a significant national monument that transforms the coast of the Loire River at the center of the city of Nantes, France (Opening scheduled in late 2009).

“We are honored to be selected for this monumental work at Babi Yar Park,” said Argentinian architect Julian Bonder, known for his inspiring and award-winning memorial projects worldwide, including the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Clark University, and projects for the AMIA Memorial and a Holocaust Museum in Buenos Aires, and many others. Bonder is an Associate Professor at Roger Williams University's School of Architecture in Rhode Island, and recipient, among other awards, of the 2000 Young Architect Award from the Boston Society of Architects.

Polish-born artist Krzysztof Wodiczko is internationally renowned for his large-scale projections on architectural facades and monuments realized in more than 70 cities around the world including New York, Washington DC, Tijuana, London, Berlin, Madrid, Warsaw, and Hiroshima. He is a professor and director of the Center for Advanced Visual Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a recipient of the 1999 Hiroshima Prize for his contribution as an artist to the world peace, and the prestigious 2008 Skowhegan Medal for Sculpture. His work has been featured in ART 21, a PBS series (Art of the 21st Century).

Denver's Babi Yar Park is a 25-year-old environmental symbol of the city's belief that tolerance and compassion can triumph over the perverse and xenophobic emotions that have followed mankind into every generation. Bonder and Wodiczko's winning design will transform Babi Yar Park into an international destination location recognizing the public commitment of the citizens of City and County of Denver to the universal goal of human tolerance and equity.

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