

Art from Antarctica and the Arctic

Award-Winning Photojournalist Joyce Ferder Rankin Brings Her Solo Multi-Media Exhibition on Climate Change and the Arctic to the Old City Jewish Arts Center

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, UNITED STATES, December 26, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Incredible Images Showcase Life and Death in the Most Remote Part of the World

Joyce Ferder Rankin, an Emmy Award-winning journalist who has had her work featured in National Geographic, is bringing her one woman exhibition Degrees° to Philadelphia's Old City Jewish Arts Center (OCJAC) from Thursday, January 9th to Friday, February 9th. The show, which is premiering in the States, will feature 50 photos and video of her travels from the Arctic to Antarctica, documenting the effects of climate change on the landscape and wildlife.

"Spending time photographing the landscape and wildlife in some of the harshest weather conditions in the world, was life-changing," said Ferder. "Global warming is having a profound effect on the ecosystems in the polar regions. When you see polar bears, penguins and other species in their natural habitat, and witness first-hand the disastrous effect that climate change has on them and their surroundings, you can't but wonder what's next. This is my opportunity, through the beauty of the



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landscape and wildlife, to show people what is happening now, and the urgent need to institute solutions in our daily lives to help mitigate the worst that is to come."

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journalist. After many years of physical therapy and hard work, she began using her still camera again as a therapeutic tool.

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Ferder's photographs have been published around the world, including in National Geographic and the Daily Telegraph in London. She has won two Emmy Awards for editing while working for CBS, covering the Yitzhak Rabin Assassination, as well as the bombing at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics. Ferder has been honored by the Royal Photographic Society in the United Kingdom with the distinction of Licentiate (LRPS). She has also given a TEDx Talk at Stormont in Northern Ireland, focusing on the effects of climate change on the Earth and the



Polar Bears Fighting in the Arctic

future of the human race titled, "Can We Go Back In Time?"

Ferder is currently in production of the documentary Degrees^o To Extinction, her debut as a feature filmmaker. To watch the trailer of the documentary, and to learn more about Ferder, please visit <u>http://jferderrankinphotography.com</u>.

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