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**CONCORD ACADEMY STUDENT TO RECEIVE
JOAN JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP**

May 20, 2008 (Winchester, MA) The Griffin Museum of Photography announces that Aaron Freedman, a student at Concord Academy in Concord, MA, has been chosen to receive the Joan Johnson Scholarship of \$1,000. He will be presented the award by the Johnson family at the opening reception of the 14th Juried Exhibition at the museum June 5, 7 p.m.

Freedman was one of the many students who submitted work in the portion of the juried exhibit for area high school seniors. A selection of the work that was submitted will be exhibited in the Griffin Gallery June 5 through August 31.

While there was no theme or format for submissions, students were asked to select an image that best represented them, personally and photographically. The photographs were also judged on whether they were technically well produced, compelling, and original. Jurors were photographers, Andrea Rosenthal of Boston and Andrew Kessler of West Newton.

“Photography trains my eye and brain in ways that make me pay more attention to the world around me, even when I am not taking pictures,” said Freedman, who studied photography at Concord Academy for four years. “The combination of knowledge and skill, along with the serendipity of discoveries in the darkroom are what define my love and approach to photography.”

Freedman’s winning entry was a black-and-white image titled, *The Brophy Boys*.

“Quality composition, movement, mystery are all a part of [Freedman’s] unique black and white portrait,” said juror Andrew Kessler. Juror, Andrea Rosenthal notes that she and Kessler chose *The Brophy Boys* for the scholarship because Freedman “skillfully lets us know that soccer is probably the most important feature of his identity.”

The Griffin Museum of Photography is open Tuesday through Thursday, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm; Friday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm; and Saturday and Sunday, 12:00 – 4:00 pm. The Museum is closed on Monday. Admission is \$5 for adults; \$2 for seniors. Members and children under 12 are admitted free. Admission is free to all every Thursday. For more information, call 781-729-1158, or visit www.griffinmuseum.org.

Photographs available upon request

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About the Griffin Museum

The Griffin Museum of Photography was founded in 1992 to provide a forum for the exhibition of both historic and contemporary photography. The Museum houses three galleries dedicated solely to the exploration of photographic arts: the Main Gallery, which features rotating exhibits from some of the world’s leading photographers; the Atelier Gallery dedicated to showcasing the works of prominent, up-and-coming artists; and the Griffin Gallery, home to the extensive archives of Museum founder and world-renowned photojournalist Arthur Griffin. For more on the Griffin Museum of Photography, visit www.griffinmuseum.org.