

Monaco Humanitaire 2008, a Photographic Exhibition at the Grimaldi Forum

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Monaco Humanitaire 2008 is a Monegasque association set up for the organisation of a photographic exhibition in order to illustrate the humanitarian action carried out globally by the Principality of Monaco over the past fifty years.

This significant humanitarian involvement, highlighted by prominent international photographers including Duncan Willets, Nick Danziger, Patrick de Wilde and others, in addition to local photographers, will be showcased to the public on the occasion of H.S.H. Prince Albert II's 50th birthday.

These distinguished photographers have all travelled to countries where the Principality of Monaco has undertaken humanitarian action: schools, hospitals, orphanages etc. with the participation of the Monaco Government or through Monegasque charitable organisations, some of which have been settled themselves on site permanently.

The list of such humanitarian action is impressive for a state the size of the Principality and is carried out in countries worldwide: Madagascar, Tunisia, Morocco, Niger, South Africa, Lebanon, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, Brazil and Colombia.

Monaco Humanitaire 2008, a key event of the "Monte Carlo Printemps des Arts" will be officially unveiled by H.S.H. Prince Albert II on 15th March 2008 in the Grimaldi Forum where it will be held until 30th April. The exhibition will then go on tour and will feature at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games.

The purpose of the exhibition is to turn the spotlight on the extremely important humanitarian work carried out by the Principality and the impact it has throughout the world. Such action, often little-known or unknown, represents the resolve of the Princes of Monaco, reiterated by the Sovereign Prince in his investiture speech in 2005.

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