

ELEPHANTS ON PARADE

During May, June and July, six life-size baby elephant sculptures painted by Washington Green artists will be on display in and around London as part of the Elephant Parade 2010 – the capital's biggest public art event.

The Parade is the brainchild of the Elephant Family – a charity working to conserve the endangered Asian elephant – and will feature over 200 brightly painted elephants by over 200 artists. Its aim is to raise vital funds, as well as awareness of the elephants' plight, whilst showcasing fantastic art to an estimated audience of 25 million people.

Louise Dear, Peter Smith, Jeff Rowland, Paul Kenton, Alexander Millar and John D Wilson will each have an elephant on display painted in their own inimitable style, set on a plinth and displaying their name. To round off the event, there will be a grand auction of all elephants, and miniature replicas of some of the original designs will be on sale.

To find out more about the charity at www.elephantfamily.org

DON'T MISS



John D Wilson's elephant (above) and Peter Smith (right) in the process of painting their elephants



One of Eve Arnold's iconic portraits of Marilyn Monroe
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PRESTIGIOUS AWARD FOR EVE ARNOLD

The incredible photographer, **Eve Arnold**, is to be honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Sony World Photography Awards in April 2010 – the day after her 98th birthday.

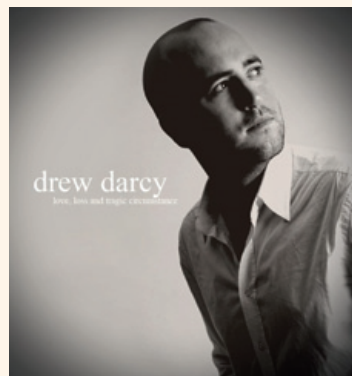
The award celebrates the life and work of this outstanding photographer who started out in the 1950s. Through her career she photographed a host of stars including Marilyn Monroe (as previously released by Washington Green), Joan Crawford and Marlene Dietrich.

The accolade adds to her Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Society of Magazine Photographers in 1980 and a host of special honours throughout her career – including Fellowship of the Royal Photographic Society and an honorary OBE.



SARAH BAGS THE RED CARPET

One of **Sarah Graham's** striking handbags made a red carpet appearance recently at the National Television Awards on the arm of Diane Parish – Eastenders' Denise Johnson. The witty, retro-style limited edition bags were produced in collaboration with handbag designer Helen Rochfort. Lined in shocking pink, they feature a hallmark vividly coloured painting by Sarah; making the handbag a piece of art in itself.



PARALLEL CAREER

Drew Darcy is on the verge of achieving success as a musician as well as an artist. With a single already on iTunes, he has been working on an album with Christophe Chantzis and Erik Vanspauwen of Ian Van Dahl fame. His new band, Envy of Saints, has just released the album to record labels, film companies and advertising agencies, so watch this space!