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Western Reserve PBS Program to Feature Andrew Moore Exhibition at the Akron Art Museum

KENT, Ohio — June 25, 2010 — Western Reserve Public Media goes behind the scenes of the Akron Art Museum’s current Andrew Moore exhibition to tell the story of the artist’s photographs that capture the striking imagery of a crumbling city. The half-hour program, **Detroit Disassembled at the Akron Art Museum**, will premiere on Western Reserve PBS (WNEO.1/WEO.1) on Saturday, July 3, at 6 p.m. It will repeat on Sunday, July 4, at 6 p.m.; Monday, July 5, at 4:30 a.m.; Tuesday, July 6, at 9 p.m.; and Thursday, July 8, at 2 p.m.

“Moore’s photographs of the Motor City are sublime — beautiful, operatic in scale and drama, tragic yet offering a glimmer of hope,” says Barbara Tannenbaum, the museum’s director of curatorial affairs. “Although it is hard to believe that his post-apocalyptic scenes reflect present-day America, the artist has been scrupulously honest.” The program also documents the Akron Art Museum’s role in organizing the exhibit and its companion book. Tannenbaum shares her insights into Moore’s work, as does Yancey Richardson of New York’s Yancey Richardson Gallery.

Fred and Laura R. Bidwell, whose financial support helped to make both the exhibition and the publication of the book possible, discuss their relationship with Moore, the impetus of this exhibition and some of the themes in Moore’s photography. In addition, the response of the public to Moore’s work at the exhibition opening is part of this interesting photograph portrait of Detroit today.

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