

Alec Soth's Archived Blog

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Petition

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1. the link is not working for me. Is this about the nyc anti-photo proposal?

Comment by Marc Freidus — July 26, 2007 @ 6:18 pm

2. Yes, Mark:

<http://www.pictureny.org/petition/index.php>

Comment by Alec Soth — July 26, 2007 @ 6:22 pm

3. Signed and forwarded to several other sites.

That sort of nonsense drives me nuts.

Feli

A New Yorker from a long line of New Yorkers, damnit.

Comment by Feli di Giorgio — July 27, 2007 @ 4:45 am

4. Signed!

Thanks, Alec.

Comment by Katia — July 27, 2007 @ 12:39 pm

5. done and linked! thanks much.

Comment by jen — July 27, 2007 @ 1:11 pm

6. thanks. done.

Comment by Marc Freidus — July 27, 2007 @ 7:35 pm

7. Speaking of the necessity of petitions, here's another bizarre one: It appears that the National Football League will now require independent press photographers to wear vests on the sidelines at NFL games bearing the Canon and Reebok logos. (Canon and Reebok are official sponsors of the NFL). This, in effect, turns press photographers into walking billboards for the corporate sponsors while they're covering the game. The NPPA is talking to the NFL about this, (but it would appear they'd make more headroom by talking to Canon and Reebok).

<http://tinyurl.com/22t8dg>

What would the fine-art version of this look like...? Entry stickers from White Cube 3 with the Cartier or Debeers logo on them, during the Hirst show..?

<http://tinyurl.com/2lgwjg>

Or a discount coupon from The Ninety-Nine Cent Store when you attended a Gursky show?

Comment by Mark Tucker — July 27, 2007 @ 11:56 pm

8. [...] I have written about the issue of street photography and privacy rights two weeks ago and the e-mail I get on that piece ("The Postmodern Panhandler") keeps coming. There also has been quite a bit of discussion about the New York film permit requirement; many blogs that I read and

like a lot have asked people to sign a petition against it in the last few days (e.g. Magnum Photos, Alec Soth, Amy Stein, Conscientious, just to name a few; Magnum only wants you to sign the petition if you actually agree with it...). Others have questioned Zoe Strauss' "moral" right to take photographs of strangers in the streets (there is an interesting exchange following her entry "Exploitative-Egocentric"). As I said last week: I believe an informed discussion about these issues requires at least some knowledge of the law. As a former lawyer I won't bother you with legal details here, but let me just outline the backdrop of what I think is at stake. [...]

Pingback by Street Photography And Privacy Rights, Part II at Notes From Nowhere — July 30, 2007 @ 7:45 am

9. NY Times article. Update.

<http://tinyurl.com/yuhyd8>

Comment by Mark Tucker — August 4, 2007 @ 2:20 pm