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The Garden at Night – A Photographic Journey Garden Welcomes Noted Photographer Linda Rutenberg

WHAT: The Desert Botanical Garden is hosting noted photographer, Linda Rutenberg for a special evening gathering, visual presentation and guided flashlight tour, highlighting her newly released book, *The Garden at Night: Private Views of Public Edens* (published by Chronicle Books, fall 2007). This exclusive presentation features her captivating photographs, a question and answer session, as well as the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of the newly-released book and photographic prints. Linda will touch upon the art of garden photography, the challenges of photographing nature at night, and a brief account of the history of garden photography.

The Garden at Night: Private Views of Public Edens is a nocturnal journey crossing the United States and Canada, inviting its readers to visit twenty-one of North America's most awe-inspiring public gardens at a time of day that has up until now remained inaccessible. The images capture an astonishing world hidden in plain sight. By photographing gardens at night, Rutenberg reveals a luminous landscape of plants, colors, shadows, and light. The gardens are described in historical and geographical context, while highlighting the flora that shapes each garden's unique appearance. The book also features an essay by celebrated author Christopher Dewdney who illuminates the mystique of gardens and the nature of seeing. *The Garden at Night* will enchant art-lovers and garden-lovers alike.

WHO: Linda Rutenberg has been a photographer, author, and educator for 30 years. Her work has been exhibited internationally and can be seen in many prestigious collections. Rutenberg lives and works in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. For more detailed information, visit www.lindarutenberg.com.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 7-10 p.m.

Member \$25, non-members \$32

Space is limited, register online at www.dbg.org or contact 480-481-8146.

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