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Yousuf Karsh Portrait Exhibit Coming to the Carter Library

Atlanta, GA- The work of internationally acclaimed portrait photographer, Yousuf Karsh, is coming to the **Jimmy Carter Presidential Museum**. The exhibition *Yousuf Karsh: American Portraits* opens Monday, February 19th.

Organized by the *Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery* from their collection, this exhibition includes 48 portraits created by the renowned photographer.

During his six decade-long career, Karsh created iconic portraits of some of the most influential people in the world.

Among the portraits included in the exhibition are those of artist Georgia O'Keeffe, civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., physician and virologist Jonas Salk, singer Marian Anderson, actress Grace Kelly, businesswoman Elizabeth Arden, architect I. M. Pei and first ladies Eleanor Roosevelt and Jacqueline Kennedy.

A highlight of the exhibition is the portrait that gained Karsh worldwide fame, the World War II photograph of a scowling British Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

In addition to the photographs from the National Portrait Gallery, visitors will have the opportunity to view Karsh's portraits of President and Mrs. Carter and their daughter Amy, which are part of the Carter Library collection.

On Tuesday, February 20th, the Carter Museum will host a special public program focusing on Yousuf Karsh. It will begin with a 7pm screening of the documentary *Karsh is History*, followed by a tour of the exhibition *Yousuf Karsh: American Portraits*. Both the screening and the tour are free and open to the public.

The exhibition has been organized by the *Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery, Washington, D.C.* The majority of the photographs in this traveling exhibition are drawn from a gift of more than 100 works that the Portrait Gallery received from Karsh's wife, Estrellita Karsh. It will be on display at the *Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum* through May 20, 2018 and is included at no extra charge in the normal museum admission.

You can keep up with the Carter Library events on the *Jimmy Carter Presidential Library* page on Facebook and follow the Carter Library on Twitter. If you wish to unsubscribe to these news releases, simply email tony.clark@nara.gov and put "UNSUBSCRIBE" in the subject line.

The *Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum* is part of the *National Archives and Records Administration* and is dedicated to providing research information and educational materials about the life, career and presidency of Jimmy Carter.

The *Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery* tells the multifaceted story of the United States through the individuals who have shaped its culture. Through the visual arts, performing arts and news media, the Portrait Gallery portrays poets and presidents, visionaries and villains, actors and activists, whose lives tell the American story.

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