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**SITE UNSEEN 6
A SPECIAL EXHIBITION AND SALE TO BENEFIT
SITE SANTA FE EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL BIENNIAL
Friday April 9, 2010**

Several Noted Artists Plan to Participate including Ed Ruscha, Cai Guo-Qiang, Susan Rothenberg, Ann Hamilton and Marilyn Minter, among others



Photo: Carole Devillers 2008

Santa Fe, NM – SITE Santa Fe is delighted to present *SITE Unseen 6*, its popular benefit art sale to raise funds for SITE Santa Fe's Eighth International Biennial, *The Dissolve*. A private preview and a public reception for *SITE Unseen 6* will be held on **Friday, April 9, 2010** and the exhibition and sale will continue through **Sunday, April 11, 2010** at SITE Santa Fe.

The private preview will be held on Friday from 5-6 pm. Tickets for this preview are \$100, entitling guests to view the exhibition in advance and have the first choice of works. For Preview tickets, please contact Jo-Anne Skinner, 505.989.1199 x 20 or email: skinner@sitesantafe.org. The public is invited to the free reception from 6-8 pm, where works will continue to be available for sale. The exhibition continues through Sunday, April 11.

Several hundred artists from around the world have been invited to create unique works of art, each measuring 5 x 7 inches in dimension. The artists have signed their works only on the back, and each piece will be displayed anonymously. Visitors to the exhibition will have the opportunity to purchase the works, but without knowing the identity of the artist until after purchase. All works are available for only \$250. The element of mystery draws large crowds and contributes to the success of this lively and unique fundraising event.

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The first *SITE Unseen*, held in 1999, was organized by Megan Fox and Jim Kelly, and the proceeds supported SITE Santa Fe's Third International Biennial, *Looking for a Place*. Since then, later editions of *SITE Unseen* have been tremendously successful and the event has become a favorite for many in Santa Fe. This year, James Kelly, of James Kelly Contemporary, is Honorary Chairman of the event, and many artists who have previously shown at SITE Santa Fe have agreed to participate.

All proceeds from *SITE Unseen 6* will help to support SITE Santa Fe's Eighth International Biennial, *The Dissolve*. Curated by Sarah Lewis and Daniel Belasco, it opens June 20, 2010 and continues through January 2, 2011. SITE Santa Fe is a private not-for-profit contemporary arts organization committed to enriching the cultural atmosphere in New Mexico by providing an ongoing venue for regional, national, and international exhibitions and interdisciplinary programs. Its International Biennial is a crucial part of its mission.

SITE Santa Fe is located at 1606 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Please contact Jo-Anne Skinner for more information and to purchase preview ticket sales at 505.989.1199 x 20, or email at skinner@sitesantafe.org. After Friday night's preview and opening, *SITE Unseen 6* will be open on Saturday, 10 am-5pm, and Sunday, 12 noon-5pm.

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