

TRIBUTE 21

RAUSCHENBERG

*"I feel strong in my belief,
based on
my varied and widely traveled
collaborations,
that a one-to-one contact through art
contains potent peaceful powers,
and is the most non-elitist way
to share
exotic and common information,
hopefully seducing us
into creating mutual understandings
for the benefit of all."*

– Robert Rauschenberg

Tribute 21 is an expression of this belief, in the form of a series of 21 artworks celebrating 21 humanitarian themes for the 21st century.

The concept of this project was conceived by Felissimo and developed by Rauschenberg. The themes represent society's concerns for peace, culture, social justice and a sustainable environment. Each piece is dedicated to a person whose contribution in the area marked an historical landmark and inspires many new generations to come. The true source of such inspiration lies not only in what they achieved, but in their courage.

A limited edition of 50 sets will be sold worldwide. Twenty-one sets will be donated to museums and other institutions, selected on the basis of social impact. Many receiving institutions will be in the developing regions.

Felissimo will also contribute \$10,000 to each honoree – and all the honorees will be invited to donate this award to a philanthropy of their choice.

Tribute 21 is an evolving project, as is the effort to make the universe a hospitable, nourishing environment for humanity. Our aim is to have the artworks and the spirit behind them leave a lasting impact by inspiring others to do what these honorees have done and provide tangible means to support development in these areas.

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Pays homage to renowned individuals, each having made a significant lifetime contribution, that will positively affect the twenty-first century.

PEACE Mikhail Gorbachev

John Cage MUSIC

CINEMA Steven Spielberg

Audrey Hepburn CHILDREN

HEALTH Dr. Mathilde Krim

Bill Gates TECHNOLOGY

DANCE Jacques d'Amboise
Trisha Brown

ARCHITECTURE
R. Buckminster Fuller

FASHION Issey Miyake

Jacques Cousteau NATURE

LABOR Lane Kirkland

EDUCATION

Jim Henson

ENVIRONMENT Al Gore

Carl Sagan SPACE

COMMUNICATION
Ted Turner

Toni Morrison LITERATURE

HUMAN RIGHTS
Nelson Mandela

ETHNIC CULTURES
Dalai Lama

ART Dominique de Menil

THEATER
Rachel Rosenthal

SPORTS Bonnie Blair

*"It is through
personal courage that we
bring about change."*

– Robert Rauschenberg