

2012 Media for Liberty Award Honors MediaStorm for A Darkness Visible: Afghanistan by Seamus Murphy

- Film Examines A People Caught in Decades of Political Turmoil -

ENGLEWOOD, Colo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Liberty Media Corporation (Nasdaq: LMCA, LMCB) today revealed the winning entry for its third annual Media for Liberty Award, a \$50,000 journalism prize that recognizes media contributions that examine the link between economic and political liberty. *A Darkness Visible: Afghanistan*, a film by Seamus Murphy and originally published by *MediaStorm*, was selected by the Media for Liberty Award jury panel as the winning submission for 2012. Print, broadcast and online submissions were judged on criteria including thematic relevance, educational value and relevance to the public discourse.

Based on 14 trips to Afghanistan between 1994 and 2010, *A Darkness Visible: Afghanistan* is the collaboration of VII Photo's Seamus Murphy and award-winning production studio MediaStorm. Murphy's work chronicles a people caught time and again in political turmoil, struggling to find their way.

This piece brings to focus the often overlooked people of the country, and their desire for self-determination. From the Soviet invasion and the mujahideen resistance to the Taliban and the American occupation, *A Darkness Visible: Afghanistan* examines thirty years of Afghan history. It is the story of ordinary citizens whose lives play out in the shadow of superpowers.

The principal team involved in the production: Photography and Video: Seamus Murphy

Producer: Eric Maierson

Executive Producer: Brian Storm

"This was a powerful story that unfolds over fourteen years and illustrates the physical, emotional and economic toll the years of political instability took on an average Afghan family," said John Malone, Chairman of Liberty Media. "On behalf of the jury panel, we congratulate Seamus Murphy and MediaStorm for producing an educative and compelling piece that stood out among this year's entries."

A Darkness Visible: Afghanistan will be celebrated at a ceremony hosted by Liberty Media and emceed by Tucker Carlson, a contributor to FOX News, the editor-in-chief of the Daily Caller news site and a senior fellow at the Cato Institute, at the Newseum in Washington,

D.C.

For more information on the Media for Liberty Award, including past honorees and details regarding eligibility please visit www.mediaforlibertyaward.com. To see the film, please visit www.mediastorm.com.

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