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The September 11 Photographs Return Exhibit opens today at the Louisville Free Public Library

Louisville, Ky. (September 1, 2011) – Following the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center, New Yorkers did something rather unexpected: they took photographs – lots of them – and displayed them in a vacant SoHo storefront. The resulting collection, *Here Is New York*, comes to the Main branch of the Louisville Free Public Library to mark the 10th anniversary of the tragedy.

The exhibition features nearly 500 photographs taken the day of and in the aftermath of the September 11 attack, by professional photographers and amateurs alike. The images are presented without titles or commentary. The result is both a vivid reminder of the horror of that day, and a celebration of the human spirit and strong determination of New Yorkers and Americans in general.

The Louisville Free Public Library is one of 10 major cultural institutions to receive complete sets of the photographs. In addition to the Louisville Free Public Library, collections have been awarded to the Museum of Modern Art in New York, the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, the Houston Museum of Fine Art and the Chicago Cultural Center, among others.

Here is New York has been exhibited the world over and makes its third appearance in Louisville, following one in 2002 and another on the fifth anniversary of the attacks, courtesy of the New-York Historical Society. The photos have also been collected in a book called “Here is New York: a Democracy of Photographs,” that is available at the Library.

The exhibition is on display at the Main Library, 301 York Street, September 1 - 30. Admission is free.

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