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Nordstrom Celebrates Black History Month With Kamoinge Photo Exhibit

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Highlighting Style, Spirit and Pride of African American Culture

SEATTLE, Dec. 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- In celebration of Black History Month, Nordstrom will showcase a photography exhibit by Kamoinge, a talented group of African American photographers. The images illustrate life and culture as expressed through fashion over the past 40 years. The exhibit will be displayed in select Nordstrom stores and at www.nordstrom.com throughout the month of February.

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A new addition to the Nordstrom exhibit this year, Kamoinge is a group of New York City-based photographers whose work has been featured in books, museums, newspapers and magazines throughout the United States. Kamoinge (a Swahili word meaning "a group of people acting together") was established in 1963 in Harlem to alleviate the sense of photographic isolation generally felt by black photographers. Today their mission has evolved to produce visual images of time that reflect human relationships, political and social interactions and the spiritual world of imagery. Nordstrom has honored Black History Month over the past four years with in-store exhibits.

"We are honored to celebrate Black History Month with the Kamoinge photography exhibit," said Delena Sunday, Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Diversity Affairs. "Through this exhibit, our customers will see a wonderful mix of old and new photographs that reflect culture and spirit through the evolution of fashion. We are excited to share the work of this impressive group of photographers."

The exhibit will feature 12 photographers: Salimah Ali, Anthony Barboza, Mark Lee Blackshear, Adger Cowans, Gerald Cyrus, Russell K. Frederick, John Pinderhughes Herbert Randall, Radcliffe Roye, Jamel Shabazz, Ming Smith, and Shawn Walker.

Exhibit Locations

The exhibit will be on display at Nordstrom: San Francisco Centre; Arden Fair, Sacramento, Calif.; Fashion Valley, San Diego; Park Meadows, Littleton, Colo.; King of Prussia, Pa.; Michigan Avenue, Chicago; Circle Center, Indianapolis; Southpoint, Durham, N.C.; Dallas Galleria; Perimeter Mall, Atlanta; Pentagon, Arlington, Va.; Lloyd Center, Portland, Ore.; Southcenter and Downtown Seattle.

Boxed sets of 20 note cards featuring images from the exhibit will be available at Nordstrom stores hosting the exhibit. Each set is \$8. Quantities are limited.

About Nordstrom

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