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## SANTA FE ART INSTITUTE presents

### Jane Bernard and Polly Brown *American Route 66: Home on the Road*

#### Slide Presentation and Booksigning: Monday, November 10, 2003

Santa Fe Art Institute is pleased to host a slide presentation and booksigning by Jane Bernard and Polly Brown, authors and photographers of *American Route 66: Home on the Road*, on Monday November 10, 2003. This event is organized in collaboration with Museum of New Mexico Press, who published the recently released book. Following the slide presentation at 6 p.m. in Tipton Hall on the College of Santa Fe campus, there will be a booksigning and reception at Santa Fe Art Institute.

A combination of black-and-white portraits, color images of Route 66 landmarks, and interviews with people who live and work along the legendary road, *American Route 66: Home on the Road* is a contemporary account of America's first highway, which John Steinbeck named "the Mother Road." Michael Wallis, author of the forward to *American Route 66*, as well as his own book, *Route 66: The Mother Road*, says "Jane Bernard and Polly Brown have produced a book unlike any other.... This book shows us people living in secret corners and hidden towns that can still be found if travelers merely dare to exit the interstate highway. To do that, they have to believe that life begins at the off-ramp. Then, with the windows rolled down and the radio playing, they can open their eyes to the past and, just maybe, discover something of themselves. It is a journey worth taking."

Jane Bernard is a documentary and editorial photographer whose work has appeared in *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Outside*, *U.S. News & World Report*, and the *Los Angeles Times*. Polly Brown is a social-documentary photographer whose photo essays and editorial work have been published in *Mother Jones*, *Psychology Today*, and *New York Times Magazine*. She was associate professor of photography at the Art Institute of Boston and taught at the International Center of Photography and the University of Hawaii. Bernard and Brown both live and work in Santa Fe.

Lecture tickets are \$5 and are available at the door. For more information on this event, please call Santa Fe Art Institute at 505-424-5050. Additional information on *American Route 66: Home on the Road* is available through Daniel Kosharek at the Museum of New Mexico Press, 505-827-6455. The Santa Fe Art Institute is located at 1600 St. Michael's Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505.