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SUTTON STUDIOS ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF THE BIG BOOK OF BABIES

*David Sutton's Black and White Portraiture
Featured In Latest Release by J. C. Soares*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Chicago, IL (April 23, 2008) – Sure to bring a smile on Mother's Day, or delight any mother or grandmother-to-be is **THE BIG BOOK OF BABIES** (May; \$24.95; Welcome Books), a lively, illustrated book that captures the wonder and excitement of babies' first years.

Images by Evanston-based photographer, David Sutton, are among the collection of more than 230 black and white photographs featured in **THE BIG BOOK OF BABIES** designed and edited by J.C. Soares.

Sutton, a widely recognized professional photographer whose distinctive black and white work has earned him an international reputation, was approached for the project by Welcome Books, a New York-based publisher of visual books.

"I am strongly drawn to those photographic subjects that offer the greatest challenges, because that's where I find the greatest rewards," states Sutton. "I also adore children and enjoy watching a person to whom every moment is a wondrous moment of new discovery. That keeps me young."

THE BIG BOOK OF BABIES is a 384-page collection – printed in duotone – that features a baby’s best behavior, or their very worst: from the expressions of amazement that come from discovering their new surroundings to the incredible messes they can get themselves into.

The images are complemented by the whimsical drawings of J.C. Soares, and by hilarious and touching stories from parents, and poems and quotes from such beloved writers as Louise Erdich, Mark Twain, Carl Sandburg, Walt Whitman, E.B White and more.

Sutton’s next project is a photo book of dogs with extraordinary life stories.

About David Sutton:

David Sutton is a widely recognized professional photographer, whose distinctive black and white work has earned him an international reputation and numerous accolades over more than thirty years, including the unique honor of being named the best pet photographer in America by *Forbes FYI*.

From his state-of-the-art, 2000 square foot professional studio north of Chicago, David is called upon regularly by a wide spectrum of clients, including advertising agencies, publishing companies, and other corporations—and for a broad range of private clients. David’s commissioned portraits of people and their pets are collected worldwide and have been featured extensively in national media outlets, including NBC’s *Today Show*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *Forbes FYI*, *Denver Post*, *Ft. Worth Star*, *Chicago Sun-Times*, and *Crain’s Chicago Business*, among others.

To learn more or schedule a sitting, please call 847.679.8090 or visit www.suttonstudios.com.

About the Author:

J.C. Soares is a designer of books, magazines, and newspapers, presently working with clients including *Inc.*, *Fast Company*, *Variety* and *Publisher’s Weekly*. He has edited and designed *The Big Book of Dogs*, *The Big Book of Cats* among other titles.

About Welcome Books:

Welcome Books®, an imprint of Welcome Enterprises, Inc., is a publisher of distinctive, exquisitely crafted visual books on a variety of subjects including art, photography, fashion, nature, travel, history, religion, sports, and parenting. Distributed by Random House, Welcome Books is among the premier publishers of illustrated books in the United States and offers formats ranging from anthologies and journals to elegant photographic volumes and lavish Limited Editions.

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