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PHOTOGRAPHS BY FAMED ACTOR JERRY LEWIS TO BE ON DISPLAY AT THE UNLV BARRICK MUSEUM

LAS VEGAS - The UNLV Marjorie Barrick Museum is pleased to announce the opening of *PAINTED PICTURES*, an **exhibition of more than 200+ framed original photographs** by famed actor/director/comedian/singer/ philanthropist, Jerry Lewis. The legacy of Jerry Lewis is undeniable in the history of film and entertainment; his influence has been multi-generational. An avid and obsessive photographer throughout his entire lifetime, Jerry Lewis created this unique body of work during the 50's, 60's and 70's. "The photographs are as engaging and contemporary as any photographic work that might be created today" explains the exhibition curator Michele C. Quinn, MCQ Fine Art. Known to always have a camera by his side, his knowledge and use of the camera as a vehicle for expression is notably extraordinary. It is the strength of these works that allows this multi-talented entertainer to add the title of "artist/photographer".

As a complement to this extraordinary event, the Barrick Museum will also host the **Jerry Lewis Film Festival**. The museum will present weekly screenings of films by Jerry Lewis. *The Nutty Professor*, commemorating the 50th Anniversary Blu-ray release, will kick-off the Festival on Thursday, May 15 at 6p in the UNLV Barrick Museum Auditorium. Each week a different film will be viewed, the full schedule to be announced separately. A retrospective of original film posters that document the history of the more than 50 films by Jerry Lewis, will also be on view. The films are free to the public. Popcorn and light refreshments will be available.

Private VIP Opening Reception:	Thursday May 8, 2014 6-8pm
Exhibition on view to the public:	May 9 – September 27, 2014
Film Festival kicks-off	May 15, 6pm

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ABOUT THE BARRICK MUSEUM: The UNLV Marjorie Barrick Museum, a public arts unit under the UNLV Department of Art and the College of Fine Arts, strives to provide a welcoming environment in which students, members of the University community, southern Nevada residents and the public in general can study and learn by directly experiencing works of art. Our goal is to enhance the visitor's understanding of art as an enduring human endeavor and to promote visual literacy for all patrons. To this end, the Museum acquires, exhibits, interprets and preserves works of art representative of past and present cultures, and artistic creativity.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY: UNLV is a doctoral-degree-granting institution of 28,000 students and 3,300 faculty and staff. Founded in 1957, the university offers more than 220 undergraduate, master's and doctoral degree programs. UNLV is located on a 332-acre campus in dynamic Southern Nevada and is classified in the category of Research Universities (high research activity) by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

BARRICK MUSEUM INFORMATION: For current program and exhibition information, call 702-895-3381 or visit barrickmuseum.unlv.edu

Hours: Mondays - Fridays: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Thursdays until 8 p.m. Saturday: 12 p.m.–5 p.m.

Closed Sundays and state and federal holidays.

Cost: Free. Suggested voluntary contribution: \$5 for adults; \$2 for children and seniors.

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