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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## LACMA TO COMPLETE TRANSPORT OF BOULDER FOR MAJOR ARTWORK, LEVITATED MASS, BY ARTIST MICHAEL HEIZER

340-TON MEGALITH IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT LACMA ON SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 10, COMPLETING 105-MILE JOURNEY FROM RIVERSIDE COUNTY

WHAT: The 340-ton megalith that is to be part of artist Michael Heizer's
monumental artwork, Levitated Mass, is scheduled to arrive at the Los
Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA) early in the morning of Saturday,
March 10.

The boulder will begin the last leg of its journey from its final planned stop in downtown Los Angeles (at Figueroa Street, between 63rd and 65th Streets), passing such landmarks as the Coliseum, Exposition Park, Wiltern Theater, La Brea Tar Pits, and LACMA's own Urban Light as it travels down Wilshire Boulevard to arrive at the museum.

Due to its massive size, the boulder has required a complex and thoroughly reviewed transportation process from the quarry in Riverside County to the museum, with movement happening only at night. Once complete, its transportation (made possible by Hanjin Shipping) will have taken place over the course of eleven nights, traveling through four counties and twenty-two cities. For the current boulder location, route map, and most up-to-date information regarding the transport, visit lacma.org/levitatedmass

The boulder is one component of the greater artwork, *Levitated Mass*, which features a 456-foot-long concrete slot constructed on LACMA's campus, over which the boulder sits. As visitors walk along the slot, it gradually descends to fifteen feet deep, running underneath the megalith, before ascending back up. For more information on *Levitated Mass*, download the backgrounder document online at lacma.org/press

- WHEN: Saturday, March 10, 2012 Media check-in 1AM
- WHERE: 5905 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90036

Parking for media will be available in the Pritzker Parking Garage located off 6th Street, just east of Fairfax Avenue.

Access for news vans will be made available. Contact LACMA Communications Department in advance.

For media credentials for the arrival and more information, please contact the LACMA Communications Department at press@lacma.org or 323 857-6522.