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WHAT IS THE CHANGING ROLE OF THE MODERN DAD?

THE INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM OF WOMEN PRESENTS <u>PAPA</u> LATEST GALLERY OPENING AS PART OF NEW ONLINE EXHIBITION

June 24, 2012 – San Francisco, CA - The International Museum of Women (IMOW) today launched "Papa," the newest Gallery of its online exhibition MAMA: Motherhood Around the Globe at mama.imow.org.

As gender roles are redefined in countries and cultures around the world, "Papa" asks what is the changing role of the modern dad?

"Papa" presents global art and stories from and about fathers, as well as interviews with mothers about what they expect from fathers today. The gallery features:

- **'Mr Mom':** A video documentary from Hungary by Zsuzsanna Geller-Vargas, exploring the challenges and successes of a family where the father is staying home to care for a young son while the mother is the primary breadwinner
- **Fatherhood:** An essay by award-winning American author Jeremy Adam Smith about how fatherhood today differs from previous generations
- Changing Traditions: An interview with Hatungimana Sylvestere, a Burundian father
 who is embracing non-traditional duties and roles in his family, serving as an example to
 other men in Burundi

<u>MAMA: Motherhood Around the Globe</u> is an online exhibition that showcases original creative works, including art, film, music, photography, essays and video interviews, reflecting the stories, visions and voices of motherhood from more than 60 countries. "Papa" is one of the eight individual topic galleries to be launched monthly as part of the exhibition.

As part of the exhibition, IMOW is presenting an online visitor pledge for maternal health rights along with Christy Turlington Burns' organization Every Mother Counts. With a goal of 10,000 signatures, the pledge will be delivered to governments and policy makers, culminating with a special presentation in conjunction with the UN General Assembly in September 2012. Visitors can take direct action by signing the pledge at <a href="mainto-m

The International Museum of Women is an innovative online museum that inspires creativity, awareness and action on vital global issues for women. For more information on IMOW, go to www.imow.org



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