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Two of Britain's top post-war sculptors housed together at The Lightbox

EXHIBITION: Collection in Focus: Anthony Caro and Eduardo Paolozzi

DATES: Friday 23rd January – Sunday 26th April 2009

THE LIGHTBOX, WOKING

Two giants of Modern British Sculpture – Anthony Caro and Eduardo Paolozzi – are to share a retrospective this winter at The Lightbox in Woking, winner of The Art Fund Prize 2008. The exhibition opens to the public on Friday 23rd January 2009.

Now in his eighties Anthony Caro is widely recognised as Britain's greatest living sculptor. The late Eduardo Paolozzi's work is acclaimed worldwide and has adorned both the Tottenham Court Road tube station and the forecourt of the British Library, London.

The exhibition will house some 40 pieces which will include sculpture, drawing, collage and paper work. The exhibits have been contributed in part from the Ingram Collection, owned by Woking businessman Chris Ingram, as well as by the Arts Council with whom this represents a first collaboration. Other pieces in the Caro collection include work from the artist's personal collection.

For Michael Regan, Exhibitions Manager and curator at The Lightbox, the exhibition represents another exciting step forward in the award winning gallery's aim to bring the best of 20th Century and contemporary British art to the Surrey town of Woking.

The exhibition is organised by decade, tracking the development and influences of both artists. "The aim of the exhibition is to create a mini retrospective of both artists

work” said Michael Regan. Visitors will be able to see Caro’s progression from early figurative work towards his abstract style, dispensing en route with the traditional plinth. Paolozzi can be seen as an artist who constantly reinvented himself throughout his career, producing sculpture, collage and many other art forms, including the vibrant exuberant screen prints of the 60’s that brought him public recognition.

The Lightbox is open Tuesday – Saturday, 10.00am – 5.00pm and Sunday, 11.00am – 5.00pm. Entrance is free.

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NOTES TO PRESS:

- The Lightbox gallery and museum opened in Woking, Surrey, on 15 September 2007. The silver, gold and cedar timber clad building was designed by Marks Barfield, the architects behind the London Eye. In 2008 it has already won The Art Fund Prize for museum and galleries, a Civic Trust Award for community design and a RIBA South East Award for architecture.