**ABRAMS CENTRALIZES MANAGING EDITORIAL AND BOOK DESIGN**

**IN NEWLY CREATED PUBLISHING SERVICES GROUP OVERSEEN BY JOSH WEISS**

**New York, NY [October 10, 2023] –** Abrams has hired **Josh Weiss** as **Senior Vice President, Publishing Services,** overseeing managing editorial and book design, which are newly centralized across all imprints and divisions, Mary McAveney, President and CEO, announced today.

Weiss joins Abrams from HarperCollins, where he built a strong reputation as a skilled, collaborative, and high-performing team leader. Weiss successfully established systems, best practices, and effective workflows, including the company’s long-term metadata improvement project, increasing backlist sales by delivering high-quality metadata for Harper’s extensive list ofprint and ebooks.

“Publishing is evolving at a fantastic rate. New tools, techniques, and business practices dictate substantial structural change. Josh and his team will help us create an agile, smart, and more streamlined operation," McAveney said.

Newly reporting to Weiss are the design teams of **Deb Wood**, Vice President, Creative Director, Adult Art & Design and **Pam Notarantonio**, Creative Director, Abrams Children’s Books. Managing editorial staff will also report to Weiss under **Lisa Silverman**, Senior Managing Editor for Adult, and **Marie Oishi**, Senior Managing Editor for Children’s Books.

“I could not be more excited to join Mary McAveney and the incredible team at Abrams Books,” noted Weiss. “The goal is to build on existing strengths in design and managing editorial as we develop a shared team that delivers the highest possible level of service to the organization.”

**About Abrams**

Founded in 1949, ABRAMS was the first company in the United States to specialize in publishing art and illustrated books. The company continues to publish critically acclaimed and bestselling works in the areas of art, photography, cooking, craft, comics, interior and garden design, entertainment, fashion, and popular culture as well as narrative nonfiction and new works of fiction for adults; children’s books ranging from middle grade to young adult fiction to picture books to board books. ABRAMS creates and distributes brilliantly designed books with the highest production values under the following imprints: Abrams; Abrams ComicArts; Megascope; Surely Books; Abrams Image; Abrams Press; The Overlook Press; Cernunnos; Cameron + Company; Abrams Books for Young Readers; Amulet Books; Abrams Appleseed; and Magic Cat. ABRAMS also distributes books for Booth- Clibborn Editions, Bungie, Alain Ducasse Édition, Éditions de La Martiniére, Editions BPI, Enchanted Lion Books, Familius, Getty Publications, Global Golf Group, Lucky Spool, Milky Way Picture Books, The Museum of Modern Art, SelfMadeHero, Skittledog, Tate Publishing, V&A Publishing, and The Vendome Press.

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