



making fine art accessible to all 

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### **Pacific Art Group Partners with Costco.com to Offer Finished Fine Art Photography**

Emeryville, CA (November 28, 2006) -- Pacific Art Group, (PAG) the first exclusive fine art brand for the national retail and hospitality industries announced that warehouse club store giant, Costco Wholesale Corporation is offering an exclusive line of PAG's fine art photography on Costco's e-commerce website, Costco.com. Better known for appliances, clothing and grocery sections, Costco has continually expanded the presence of fine art merchandise in its stores and website to become one of the nation's largest distributors of fine art reproductions and originals.

"Our goal is to make finished quality fine art accessible to all through major specialty, mass retailers and hoteliers. Our partnership with Costco allows us to reach a broader market of art enthusiasts with our exclusive trend and home décor-relevant imagery unmatched in the industry for style, quality and affordability", said Helen Bulwik, founder and president, Pacific Art Group.

Drawing from its vast collection of private label fine art images, Pacific Art Group is providing Costco an exclusive line of finished fine art photography from the celebrated artist and photographer, Cappagi. Costco.com visitors can select

from eight distinctive Cappagi-signed photographic works depicting the artist's distinguished flower bloom images, appreciated for their narrative quality that is at once exciting and peaceful.

With her fine art background and eye for dramatic chiaroscuro, this Texas born artist's photographs embody the illusionary and sensual quality in lighting that evokes a sense of strength and passion. Cappagi's photographs have been described as containing a "mysterious light with such magnetism that each petal glows". The following Cappagi-signed works available at Costco.com are each wood mounted and protected with a smooth lacquer finish that is highly durable and water resistant with UV filters. The two color double moulding creates a dramatic contemporary piece that can be cleaned with a damp cloth.

- "Love Begets Love I & II" -- Blushing blooms are lured toward a mysterious light with such magnetism that each petal glows. 36x36 framed dimensions, 29x29 unframed dimensions
- "Suspended I & II"-- Sepia tinted tulips in an audible silence of light and shadow. 39x31 framed dimensions, 32x24 unframed dimensions
- "Je Pense Que/Je T'Aime" -- Translated "I Think That / I Love You" Golden Calla Lilies reflect the gentle confession between two lovers before a kiss. 39x31 framed dimensions, 32x24 unframed dimensions
- "Heavens Glow I & II" -- Honest lilies repose in the gleaming afterglow of celestial light. 31x43 framed dimensions, 24x36 unframed dimensions

### **About Pacific Art Group**

Pacific Art Group is redefining the way art is sold by making it accessible and affordable to all who want to brighten their environment with fine art. PAG creates and produces finished fine art for distribution to the national retail, specialty home furnishings and hospitality industries. With its team of more than 130 talented artists, merchants and framers, PAG partners with major retailers and hoteliers to

deliver exclusive trend and home décor-relevant imagery unmatched in the industry. More information can be found on [www.pacificartgroup.com](http://www.pacificartgroup.com)

### **About Costco**

Costco (NASDAQ:COST) headquartered in Issaquah, Washington, operates an international chain of membership warehouses that carry quality, brand-name merchandise at substantially lower prices than typically are found at conventional wholesale or retail sources. The warehouses are designed to help small-to-medium-sized businesses reduce costs in purchasing for resale and for everyday business use. Qualified individuals also are allowed to purchase for their personal needs. Costco began its online presence in 1995 with an informational Web site and in November 1998 began conducting e-commerce at [costco.com](http://costco.com). The Web site offers a wide selection of brand-name merchandise and services. Some of the product categories include computers, electronics, floral delivery, fine jewelry, clothing, books, CDs and DVDs, travel packages and products. With more than 33 million Costco cardholders worldwide and 80,000 employees, the company's sales for fiscal year 2000 exceeded \$31 billion. Costco currently operates 332 warehouses, that includes 237 in the United States, 59 in Canada, 10 in the United Kingdom.

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