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# **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **CHINESE SCROLL PRESENTED IN HONOR OF CFA CENTENNIAL**

MANASQUAN, NJ – August 10, 2006 – The Hong Kong Cat Lover's Society has presented a hand painted scroll to The Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA) in celebration of the CFA centennial in 2006. At the recent cat show in Hong Kong, International Division Chair Darrell Newkirk and CFA Foundation President David Mare accepted the scroll on behalf of CFA and assisted with the unveiling of the 27 foot long painting.

Mr. Mare, a longtime collector of important Chinese antiquities, said "The watercolor on silk scroll, depicting 100 cats dancing and playing amid the forsythia, lotus and plum blossoms, is done in a classical Ming fashion." He continued, "It was painted by a skilled artist, Mr. Li Yuekai, who understood the techniques necessary to paint with one of the most difficult mediums (watercolor). A delightful story of cats, and of the scroll itself, is depicted in Chinese by the famous Chinese calligrapher, Mr. Zhao Pengnian."

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The scroll will be housed and maintained by the CFA Foundation, and will be on exhibit at important CFA events. Mr. Mare is currently in discussions with the important American museums about the possibility of displaying the scroll. Plans are underway to show it to the public first at the CFA International Cat Show to be held in San Mateo, CA on November, 17-19, 2006.

**About The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.**

Founded in 1906 as a non-profit association of member clubs, The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. (CFA) is the world's largest registry of pedigreed cats. To date, CFA has registered more than 2 million pedigreed cats throughout the world. CFA's mission is to preserve the uniqueness and beauty of the pedigreed breeds of cats, and to enhance the well being of ALL cats. CFA promotes education, responsible cat ownership and proper care to the owners of millions of cats worldwide. The CFA, headquartered in Manasquan, New Jersey, administers rules for the management of cat shows and promotes the interest of breeders and exhibitors of pedigreed cats. CFA breeders, exhibitors, judges and fans span the globe, annually hosting over 450 competitions on four continents. CFA and its affiliates work nationally with local shelters, at a grassroots level, to help improve the problem of stray cats and abuse, and to encourage neuter/spay programs. CFA has been instrumental in the development of several international charitable organizations such as CFA Disaster Relief and The Winn Feline Foundation. To learn more about the Cat Fanciers' Association, the pedigreed breeds of cats, or to find the nearest CFA cat show, visit [www.cfa.org](http://www.cfa.org).

**NOTE:** Hi-res photos available upon request to [CFA@cfa.org](mailto:CFA@cfa.org).

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