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Radius Books Publishes Mark Klett's SAGUAROS on inaugural list

Radius Books is pleased to announce the publication of **SAGUAROS**, by renowned photographer Mark Klett. Klett's rephotography work has been featured in a number of books, including **YOSEMITE IN TIME: *Ice Ages, Tree Clocks, Ghost Rivers***, which he did with Byron Wolfe and Rebecca Solnit, and which was a San Francisco Chronicle Notable Book of the Year for 2005. But he also has been photographing the deserts of the American West for years, in particular the beauties and tragedies of the Sonoran desert, which sprawls across southern Arizona and the northern Mexican state of Sonora and of which saguaro cacti are one of the most recognizable features.

Klett is known for teasing out the implications of man's presence—both historical and recreational—in the landscape. His portraits of these giant cacti, made from the beginning of his career to the present, are straight-forward and frontal, objective yet inspired. Here we see the full range of these eerie, yet compelling plants whose often anthropomorphic forms inspire awe as well as amusement.

This handsome, over- sized book presents a selection of these portraits, coupled with an essay by Gregory McNamee. The work featured in *Saguaros* has been exhibited widely and was published in part in **REVEALING TERRITORY** (now out-of-print).

Mark Klett photographs the intersection of cultures, landscapes and time. His background includes working as a geologist before turning to photography. Klett has received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Buhl Foundation, and the Japan/US Friendship Commission. His work has been exhibited and published both nationally and internationally for over twenty-five years, and is held in over eighty museum collections worldwide. He is Regents' Professor of Art at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona, and the author of thirteen books.

A longtime citizen of the Sonoran Desert, Gregory McNamee has written more than twenty-five books, including **GILA: *The Life and Death of an American River***, a classic work on the natural and human history of the Southwest. He is a contributing editor and consultant in world geography to Encyclopaedia Britannica and a regular contributor to many other publications.

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SAGUAROS

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