



Little Sun wins Best Social Enterprise Act at the 2018 Billion Acts Hero Awards

Monte Carlo, June 18 – Chosen from over 10 million acts of peace worldwide, social business Little Sun was honored with the prestigious Billion Acts Hero Award in the Best Social Enterprise category last night in Monaco during the Monte Carlo TV Festival.

The One Billion Acts of Peace Campaign, originally launched by the PeaceJam Foundation, is led by 14 Nobel Prize winners, including the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu, and aims at inspiring one billion acts of peace by 2020. The awards are held every year, honoring global citizen movements designed to tackle the most important challenges facing our planet today. Little Sun was voted Best Social Enterprise Act in a public online voting, for its global engagement and for promoting entrepreneurship within local communities in sub-Saharan Africa.

The ceremony took place last night in Monaco during the Monte Carlo TV Festival, and Little Sun's Head of Press and Communications Rabea Koss was there to receive the prize from Nobel Prize Winner Betty Williams:

"We are very happy to be represented among such a fantastic array of changemakers. Little Sun is all about global togetherness for a better planet. With PeaceJam and the Billion Acts, we can spread our mission further and raise awareness for sustainability and the need for global action."

Betty Williams premiered her documentary "Contagious Courage" at the Monte Carlo TV festival, a film directed and produced by Peace Jam's co-founders Dawn Engle and Ivan Suvanjiëff.

About Little Sun

Artist Olafur Eliasson and engineer Frederik Ottesen launched Little Sun to bring clean, reliable and affordable light to the 1,1 billion people living without electricity. The project's solar products are sold all over the world. Purchasing Little Suns in areas of the world with electricity makes the products available in off-grid areas at reduced, locally affordable prices, where they provide a clean alternative to toxic and expensive fuel-based lighting and a steadfast and clean alternative to relying on the electrical grid.

Little Sun addresses the need for energy in a sustainable way that benefits off-grid communities by working with local entrepreneurs, creating local jobs, and generating local profits.

The Little Sun project was officially launched in July 2012 at London's Tate Modern. Since then, more than 600,000 Little Sun lamps have been distributed worldwide, with more than half going to off-grid areas.

Globally Little Sun inspires people to take action. Through the power of creativity and art, the global project provides a way to make sustainable energy tangible and raises awareness for the UN Sustainable Development Goals- especially for energy access, good health and well-being, quality education, gender equality, and climate action.



About the Billion Acts Campaign

The Billion Acts, originally envisioned by PeaceJam, and represented by 14 Nobel Prize winners has logged over 50 million Acts of Peace since May 2014 in more than 151 countries -- motivating people around the world every day to actively work to create a more sustainable and peaceful world.

For this year's Hero awards, 6 winners were selected in the following categories:

Best Non-Profit Act: Rotary International

Best Youth Act: Rethaka

Best University Act: Student Action for Refugees

Best Social Enterprise Act: Little Sun

Best Community Act: Peace is a Lifestyle

Best Up and Coming Peacemaker Acts: Ba Futuru / Domin Nakloke & We Dine Together

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