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MARIO BARTH'S "UNDER THE SKIN" WINS ACCOLADE COMPETITION

(New York, July 2008)—Legendary tattoo artist Mario Barth of Starlight Tattoo has won a prestigious Award of Excellence from The Accolade Competition. The award was given for Barth's exciting new documentary, "Under the Skin" which examines the underground world of tattoo rituals.

"We are extremely honored to accept this prestigious award," says Mario Barth, CEO and founder of Starlight Tattoo. We are very proud of the film and thrilled to be acknowledged by The Accolade Competition." "The purpose of the documentary was to raise awareness and educate the public about Japanese festivals and rituals never-before-seen on television," added Producer and Director Billy Burke. The Accolade recognizes film, television and videography professionals who demonstrate exceptional achievement in craft and creativity, and those who produce standout entertainment or contribute to profound social change. Entries are judged by highly qualified professionals in the film and television industry. Information about The Accolade and a list of recent winners can be found at www.theaccolade.net

In winning an Accolade, Mario Barth joins the ranks of other high-profile winners of this internationally respected award. Thomas Baker, Ph.D., who chairs the Accolade, had this to say about the latest winners, "The Accolade is not an easy award to win. Entries are received from around the world. The Accolade helps set the standard for craft and creativity. The judges were pleased with the exceptionally high quality of entries. The goal of The Accolade is to help the winners achieve the recognition they deserve."

About Starlight Tattoo:

[Starlight Tattoo](#) is the premier international tattoo organization with six high-end tattoo studios and the online tattoo supply company called, The Tattoo Super Store. Starlight Tattoo sells merchandise in 28 countries on six continents. CEO and inventor Mario Barth has a vast and impressive celebrity clientele including: Sylvester Stallone, Tommy Lee, Lenny Kravitz, Jason Kidd, members of the New York Giants, Nikki Sixx, members of My Chemical Romance, Fieldy of KoRn, Ja Rule and many others.

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