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## Restoring the Lost Photos of Jimi Hendrix

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Kickstarter project to restore and produce Fine Art prints from recently discovered photo shoots of Jimi Hendrix, taken by photojournalist Jim Cummins

Jim Cummins is an American photojournalist whose work is best known for the iconic photographs he took of legendary musicians during the 1960s and '70s. More than 900 music albums from that era, many of which went Gold, Platinum, or Diamond, used Jim's photos as their album covers. His photos of celebrated musical performers were also published as concert posters, and in magazines like Newsweek, Rolling Stone, and Life.

Jim's body of work includes never-before-seen photos of Jimi Hendrix. Hendrix was photographed in studio while recording his hit "Izabella" for the album Rainbow Bridge, in performance at the Fillmore East on New Year's Eve 1969, and at the Madison Square Garden performance on January 28, 1970 (made famous by the fact that Hendrix walked off the stage after performing just two songs).

As part of a Kickstarter crowd-source fund-raising project, each of the original 35mm negatives and slides from Jim's shoots of Jimi Hendrix will be manually restored by the imaging team at Image Fortress of Westford, Mass., who have become world-renowned for their restoration of art and photography for libraries, museums, and universities.

Each 35mm frame will be scanned on a Durst Sigma Scanner at 4223 pixels per inch and 16 bit color depth. After scanning, each raw digital photo file will be manually "cleaned" and the image restored to its dust-free and scratch-free state. It will then be color corrected and "exposure" adjusted to compensate for changes to the film stock that occurred due to aging. Jim Cummins will oversee the restoration and have final approval on each restored photo.

An appropriately graduated menu of donor rewards will appear on the Kickstarter campaign site.

Please watch this space for further details and links to the project.

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