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Evi Abeler ***Family Project***

February 11 – March 6, 2008 (Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Opening Reception: Monday, February 11, 2008, at 6 p.m.

To attend the opening, please RSVP to german-consulate-ku@nyct.net or by phone: 212.610.9759 (automated RSVP-Line).

The Consulate of the Federal Republic of Germany is pleased to announce *Family Project*, an exhibition of color photographs by Evi Abeler.

The installation consists of snapshots from the artist's childhood juxtaposed with restaged photographs featuring her family today. In one of the photographs, she sits cozily on her father's lap. This once close and intimate pose is now filled with awkwardness. The viewer quickly discovers that much more is visible in the re-creations than the same old green bathroom tiles, namely the many tangled layers of ever-changing family relationships. As time passed, childhood friends disappeared, grandparents perished and relationships became distant. There is humor, loss, awkwardness and tension, all in one picture.

Evi Abeler received an MFA in Studio Art in 2006 from The City College of New York, CUNY and has been an artist-in-residence at the Atlantic Center for the Arts in Florida. Her photographs have recently been shown at the Kenkeleba Gallery and the Henry Street Settlement in New York City and at the Atlantic Center for the Arts in Florida.

Ms. Abeler was born and raised in Germany and resides with her husband and their nine-month-old daughter in New York City.