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Graphiti Debutes at Kennedy Center in our Nation's Capitol

WASHINGTON, DC. (September 1, 2017) – The American Printing House for the Blind is pleased to announce that a prototype of the Graphiti™, a product APH is developing with Orbit Research, was recently featured at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in an exhibition entitled *Artful Innovation: Inclusive Design and Technology*.

The Office of VSA (formerly Very Special Arts) and Accessibility at the Kennedy Center sponsored the exhibition, which spotlighted how technology is expanding the boundaries of human endeavors. Items featured in the exhibition each represented creativity of people with diverse abilities, ages, and backgrounds. Graphiti and the other items illustrated how art, design, and technology can come together to demonstrate the possibilities of our creative future.

The Graphiti is a tactile display with hundreds of moving pins of various heights that people who are blind can use to access images and graphical information as well as draw their own graphics. A prototype of this device drew worldwide attention recently when people who are blind used it to experience the solar eclipse in real time. APH plans to release this life changing product in 2018.

About American Printing House for the Blind

American Printing House for the Blind is a worldwide leader in designing innovative lifelong learning solutions for children and adults who are blind or visually impaired. In this fast-changing world, we believe in the power and necessity of learning to open the doors to educational success, satisfying employment, social inclusion, active citizenship, and personal well-being. We level the learning playing field by providing specialized technology, materials, products, and services that are essential for education and life. American Printing House for the Blind is headquartered at 1839 Frankfort Avenue in Louisville, Kentucky. For more information, please visit www.aph.org.

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