

**The Ethics Center is working with Artemis Joukowsky
on a book and an award for moral courage.**

What causes moral courage? Why do so many of us stand by doing little or nothing in the face of injustice and prejudice while a few find the strength to speak out and act to help others?

Artemis Joukowsky, social activist and film maker, learned first-hand about moral courage from his grandparents, Waitskill and Martha Sharp, two of only five Americans to be awarded the prestigious Yad Vashem Medal by Israel, for their work rescuing Jews and others persecuted by the Nazis. Artemis and Ken Burns produced a moving documentary – *Defying the Nazis* – about the moral courage of the Sharps. (See Defyingthenazis.com.)

Now, as the world once again faces challenges requiring moral courage, the Ethics Center is cooperating with Joukowsky in his establishment of an award for moral courage to honor, document and encourage others to act courageously. We encourage you to send us the names of people we might interview about their acts of moral courage, from standing up against bullying on the playground to whistle-blowing or taking principled political stands against injustice. Nominees of all political persuasions and nationalities are welcomed.

Send all nominations to KRMonroe@UCI.Edu or Artemis@joukowsky.com.

You may send in an interview of the person you are nominating or send their name and contact information and we will arrange to interview them. The best interviews will be published in a book, to be edited by Kristen Monroe, Center Director.

Both winners and nominators of the winners of the Sharp-Joukowsky Award for Moral Courage will receive a cash award.