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ABOUT LAGOSPHOTO FESTIVAL

Launched in 2010, LagosPhoto is the first international arts festival of photography in Nigeria. For a month long duration, exhibitions, workshops, artist presentations and large scale installations are dotted throughout the city, with the aim of reclaiming public spaces and telling multifaceted stories about Africa. LagosPhoto presents a contemporary and historical visual essay on the African continent to a global audience. Additionally, it serves as a community for contemporary photographers, uniting local and international artists through images that depict individual experiences and identities throughout the continent.

In 2010, LagosPhoto held its inaugural edition titled No Judgment: Africa Under the Prism at the Eko Hotel & Suites, which saw over a thousand guests in attendance on the opening night. Subsequently in 2011, the theme was What's Next Africa? The Hidden stories and the edition featured the works of over 42 artists from within Africa and the diaspora. The 3rd edition of LagosPhoto in 2012 had Seven Days in the Life of Lagos as its theme and it featured twenty-nine local and international photographers covering various aspect of Lagosian life.

It was followed in 2013 by The Megacity and the Non-city, which explored the development of urban centers in Africa and how influential the technical advancement of photography has been sense to our sense of global connectivity. Staging Reality, Documenting Fiction was the theme in 2014. It considered how artists imagine different futures, using photography as a catalyst in investigating the changing realities of Africa today. This was succeeded in 2015 by Designing Futures, whereby 35 photographers, spanning 21 different nationalities, narrated how African designs serve as platform to discuss our past, present and future intentions.

In 2016, the festival themed Rituals and Performance captured the act of posing as a repetitive act that constructs an image or images, which morph into an idea or identity as an act of courage for both the subject and photographer. In 2017, the festival was themed Regimes of Truth. It explored the pursuit for and presentation of truth in contemporary society, gleaning inspiration from the writings of some of the 19th and 20th centuries. Last year's edition was themed Time Has Gone which explored the configurations by which the past, the present and the future interact within the photographic medium. Time was approached from different angles, highlighting matters of momentum, documentation and preservation, taking into consideration the intimacy of stories as well as the breadth of the concept itself.

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PASSPORT

Imagine there's no countries
It isn't hard to do
Nothing to kill or die for
'Imagine', ~ John Lennon

The digital world plays home and host to the greatest migration in the history of humanity. As human existence shifts from physical geographies to screens and digital media the prospect of globalization appears egalitarian and desirable, however once cosmopolitanism assumes physical dimensions, the inequity of possessing a privileged or non-privileged travel document becomes evident. Traveling the world freely, without being a subject of scrutiny or suspicion is still -and maybe more than ever -impossible for a large percentage of the world population, because "the value" of a passport is measured by calculating its "visa-free score" (VFS). Though globally, we often anticipate shared, though not identical core values, we commonly encounter comparable challenges, irrespective of regions and climate zones, we still live in a narrow and immobile world that prevents fluctuating lifestyles and existences outside of the digital space.

Historically the passport was a document that was designed to enable individuals safe passage across foreign ports/territories it entitles the holder to enter and leave a territory. The data page within the contemporary passport, reduces our identities to a single page with a single image. It formally claims to certify who we are, but humans are not reducible and our identities are constantly shifting, mixing and changing. What we are left with

automatically fosters stereotypes in terms of sex, race, and credibility. Recent scientific knowledge in genetics makes a mockery of this reduction in identification. Excellence in science, sports, literature, fashion and so on further indicates the absurdity of a one page method of identification and, indeed segregation. Within an African context the entire idea of a national passport takes on an even more absurd and pathetic twist. The idea of African nationality-which is a complete colonial construct- fulsomely embraced by citizens to discriminate and oppress other Africans as seen in xenophobic attacks and lazy language makes one wonder if, as Africans, we have understood this recent history.

Passports is the theme of the 10th edition of LagosPhoto Festival and it intends to delve into the constraints and prospects of the most important official document a human being holds. This year's edition aims to bring alive, an alternative global environment in which artists of different nationalities are invited to explore options of creating a fluid and permeable world, where nationality, gender and historical imbalances are secondary. Through the course of a decade, the festival has proven to be a space where artists can meet on neutral ground to share ideas, innovation and capacities. Thus, the jubilee edition especially concentrates on the reciprocal energies the festival has experienced in past years and will open the discussion of how we can create a flexible and more egalitarian world within the existing global restrictions. What are the options of living freely in a world that will be determined by borders?

LagosPhoto invited artists consider the festival platform as a laboratory for ideas and a safe space for experimentation with open and transformative forms of identity, creating new categories of an international identity that allows for diversity. What kind of passport could certify and authorize these overarching values? The 10th edition of LagosPhoto presents artists who are able to raise relevant questions and propose possible answers or sustainable alternatives and who believe in a versatile world that is not based on utopias but routed in the way we already live.

The Curatorial Team







EXHIBITING ARTISTS

Aàdesokan (Nigeria) Halima Abubakar (Nigeria) Tolu Adekuorove (Nigeria) Isabella Agbaje (Nigeria) Margaret Agbaje (Nigeria) Taibat Ajiboye (Nigeria) Jenevieve Aken (Nigeria) AnAkA (USA) Nelly Ating (Nigeria) Olavinka Babalola (Nigeria) Jamil G. Baldwin (America) David Baptiste (Haiti) Magda Biernat & Ian Webster (Poland/USA) Flávio Cardoso (Angola) Joana Choumali (Ivorv Coast) Ella Eduozor (Nigeria) Vanessa Endeley (Nigeria) Philip Fagbeviro (Nigeria) Alexia Fiasco (France) Byron Gago (Italy/Ecuador) Rahima Gambo (Nigeria) Maimouna Guerresi (Italy) Kelvin Haizel (Ghana) Dan Halter (Zimbabwe) Chibueze Hermes Ivele (Nigeria) Mahmood Hojejj (Lebanon) Klein (Nigeria) Benedicte Kurzen (France) Mous Lamrabat (Morocco) Loviso Mkize (South Africa) Rubén Martín de Lucas (Spain) Johnny Miller (South Africa) William Moore (Nigeria) Christina Nwabugo (Nigeria)

Nengi Nelson (Nigeria) Somi Nwandu (Nigeria) Chukwuka Nwobi (Nigeria) Joseph Obanubi (Nigeria) Daniel Obasi (Nigeria) Anthony Obayomi (Nigeria) Eniola Odunuga (Nigeria) Ife Ofulue (Nigeria) Uzoma Orji (Nigeria) Adeolu Osibodu (Nigeria) Gaelen Pinnock (South Africa) Tabita Rezaire (France) Stephen Tayo (Nigeria) Dustin Thierry (Curacao) Maya-Ines Touam (France/Algeria) Sanne de Wilde (Belgium) Nguher Zaki (Nigeria)

SPECIAL EXHIBITION

Fast Forward Women in Photography Wellcome Trust Prize Portrait of Humanity Sideluck Editorial Tecno "Camon 12" The Women Amongst Us



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October 28th Canon DSLR Filmmaking Workshop

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October 30th Canon DSLR Filmmaking Workshop

October 30th Canon Hands on Camera Workshop

October 31st Canon DSLR FIlmmaking Workshop (Class Day)

November 1st Canon DSLR Filmmaking Workshop (Class Day) November 4th AnAka Workshop

November 5th AnAka Workshop

November 6th AnAka Workshop

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

October 28th 12:00 pm - 02:00 pm Shifting Beyond Identity. Is it time? Alliance Francaise 9 Osborne road, Ikoyi, lagos

October 28th 05:30 pm - 05:00 pm Borders & Migration Creating New categories in a permeable world Red Door Gallery 51 Bishop Oluwole Street Victoria Island, Lagos

October 29th 02:00 pm - 03:00 pm Appropriation Collaboration Ellaboration Federal Government Press Liaison Office 9 Broad Street, Lagos Island

October 30th 04:30 pm - 05:00 pm Language and Its' Effects on Cultural Identity Moneda Investment Ltd 6 Abike suleiman street, Lekki, Lagos October 31st 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Panel Discussion How Habits Form Identity? African Artists' Foundation 3b Isiola Oyekan Close, Victoria Island, Lagos

November 2nd 02:30 pm - 03:00 pm | Artist Presentation COMMUNITY & IMPACT : IBRAHIM MAHAMA ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE LAGOS 9 OSBORNE ROAD IKOYI, LAGOS





EXHIBITION OPENINGS

October 27th 4:00pm LagosPhoto Grand Opening Federal Govt Press Liaison Office 9 Broad Street, Lagos Island.

Exhibiting Artists:

Según Adefila| David Baptiste | Rahima Gambo | Dan Halter | Kelvin Haizel | Rubén Martín de Lucas | Mous Lamrabat | Johnny Miller | Mahmoud Hojeij | Byron Gago

October 28th 3:00pm The Arrival Red Door Gallery Opening 51 Bishop Oluwole St, Victoria Island, Lagos

Exhibiting Artists:

Aadesokan | Isabella Agbaje | Margaret Agbaje | Obayomi Anthony | Phillip Fagbeyiro | Chukwuka Nwobi | Somi Nwandu | Joseph Obanubi | Daniel Obasi | Ife Ofolue | Uzoma Orji | Adeolu Osibodu

October 29th 7:00pm Land of Ibeji Nimbus Gallery Opening 9 Maitama Sule St, Ikoyi, Lagos

Exhibiting Artists: Sanne De Wilde & Benedicte Kurzen | Stephen Tayo October 30th 4:00pm Terminal Moneda Opening 9 Maitama Sule St, Ikoyi, Lagos

Exhibiting Artists: AnAkA | Flavio Cardoso | Tabita Rezaire | Dustin Thierry | Women through the Lens

November 2nd 2:00pm The Check-In Mike Adenuga Centre Opening 9 Osborne Road, Ikoyi Lagos.

Exhibiting Artists: Portraits of Humanity Wellcome Photography Prize



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