

CV

Eric Gitonga
Photographer

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Summary

Skilled professional with 10 years experience in documentary and commercial photography. Assignments have included NGO event and project coverage, corporate and government project and event coverage and editorials. Publications include local and international magazines and public exhibitions.

Professional assignments and experience

Freelance Photographer

2010 - Present

ICIPE project coverage

Assumption Sisters of Nairobi Upendo Village profile (<http://bit.ly/1vRaBQi>)

Kofi Annan Foundation (<http://bit.ly/1m1OooX>)

Team4Tech Thika laptop project coverage (<http://bit.ly/1t3gyUF>)

Embassy of Sweden SIDA projects documentary photography

Clinton Health Access Initiative project photography (<http://bit.ly/1GrYXLY>)

Novo Nordisk diabetes case studies and programme launch photography

GIZ Afrika Kommt Assessment Centre coverage

GIZ project coverage

Media Associates International conference coverage (<http://on.fb.me/1pgWAWP>)

American Society of Mechanical Engineers iShow workshop coverage

Water and Sanitation for the Urban Poor project launch coverage

Personal Projects

Documenting the art scene in Kenya. Photographs can be seen on my Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/photoegem>. Videos can be seen on my YouTube channel at <http://bit.ly/259n8O8>.

Arthropods of Kenya. Photographs can be seen on my site at <http://egmgem.com/arthropods>.

Exhibitions and Conferences

June 2014 - Sweden Kenya 50 years of Friendship and Cooperation

June 2014 - Presented a paper with a video demonstration on Photography and ICT as Tools for Public Education to Show the Value of Pollinators at the National Pollination Management Conference held at the then Kenya Agricultural Research Institute (KARI)

July 2014 - Bugging: A Macro Journey. A group exhibition at Alliance Francaise of photographs of arthropods. Also conducted a training for those interested in taking such photographs at the Nairobi National Museum in conjunction with their Invertebrate Zoology department.

June 2015 – Pollinator Week exhibition at National Museum Zoology Department.

November 2015 – Exhibited at the ICIPE Science Day showcase.

March 2016 – Solo show, Digital Archival Dudu Prints at Purdy Arms, Karen

May 2016 – Solo show, Dudus of Brackenhurst at Muna Tree Cafe, Limuru.

Awards

Winner of the 2015 Kenya Art Fair Digital Competition in the Interactive Hardware Installation category. The installation involves a setup to photograph water drop splashes.

A microcontroller is used to coordinate the release of the drop and the capture of the resulting splash on camera.

Photographs published in:

Pocket Guide Insects of East Africa by Dino J. Martins March 27th 2015

Pocket Guide Butterflies of East Africa by Dino J. Martins and Steve Collins June 21st 2016

Sophie Walbeoffe - Painting With Both Hands 2017 ISBN: 9781910787540

Illustration published in:

The African Middle Class; Who are they by Joseph Victor Ikawa February 13th 2018

Hardware Design Engineer at General Electric Company Billerica, MA 2001 - 2007

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Performed failure analysis on customer returns from various product lines resulting in ECOs aimed at fixing design deficiencies
- Managed component obsolescence issues in various products, with some of the tasks involved including identifying alternate parts and verifying them in current designs or redesigning boards to accept the alternates.
- Using six sigma tools, was able to improve quality on products suffering low yield issues in production. I gathered data from various products on failure modes at different production steps and analyzed it and came up with solutions based on this that resulted in a better manufactured product with high yield.
- Interfaced with manufacturing engineers in transitioning products from the development group to manufacturing. This involved writing build and test procedures, overseeing pilot run alongside the manufacturing engineers and initial support during first production lot.

Education

June 2001 Northeastern University, Boston, MA
BSc. (Magna Cum Laude) Electrical Engineering.

Languages

Fluent in English and Kiswahili

Referees:

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