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BLACK QUEENS PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION In PARIS

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An Exhibit can reveals photography´s Role as a Tool or Weapon when investigating Identity and Empowerment. Uncovering the Beauty of African Women and their Worlds within fractured and layered Colonial Histories demands a Special Attention to Detail. To counter uninformed portrayals of African women as servile or sexual figures, this Original/Beautiful Exhibit exalts their Beauty on their Own Terms. Digging into History and offering a Glimpse of a Future Narrative, the Show features some Portraits reminding Previous and Famous African Queens : Princess Esther Kamatari, Queen Nanny, Mami Wata, Kimpa Mvita, Queen Nzinga Mbande, Queen Yaa Asantewaa, Nefertiti, Queen Kassa, Quen Nandi (Mother of Shaka Zulu), Ranavalona III, The Loneliness mulatto, Futuristic African Queen, Aja, Bessie Coleman.

The Black Woman has been for a Long Time underrepresented. Here we are Today and we are still looking at Black Women a bit negatively. The Exhibit held on January 23, 2019 at A2Z Galery in Paris, wanted to show their Beauty and Power through Black & White / Color Portraits of "Black Queens". It might show also that Black Women, who have mostly been objectified in the Media, have actually made a Major Mark on Society that really can´t be quantified but has gone unrecognized.... The Term "Black" is used Worldwide and has Different Meanings in Different Places. It is used to describe those of African and Afro-Diaporic Descent. The Term "Black Wome"n is both a Multi-Faceted Cultural Identity and a Powerful Social Construct with Different Meanings in Different Places...

The Event was sponsored by Princess of Burundi Esther Kamatari, who was present. She was the First Black Model in FRANCE, the First Black Model to work for Lanvin, Dior, Paco Rabanne and the First Black Model wearing the Wedding Dress. Today, she is the Ambassador of the Maison Guerlain. Figurehead of the Fight in Favor of Women and Children Rights, through this Exposure Works of Art, she wanted to emphasize the Beauty of Africa, inspiring and generous.

During that Event was organized a Collect of Educative Toys and the Sale of Calendars 2019 to benefit "Centre Niali Of Gao" in MALI (Association A.S.F.E.D), offering an Educative Environment to Orphans and also giving a Significant help to Families in Need.

Source : Vernissage "Black Queens" at A2Z Galery in Paris, on January 23, 2019. Opening to The Public : January 24 - 27, 2019 (12 rue des Fontaines du Temple ,75003 Paris)
With the Presence of :
* Princess Esther Kawatari
* Hair Stylist Nadeen Mateky
* Photographer Andrew Kumi
* Ivorian Jeweler Kareem Fadika
* Designers Amany Gogo & Assina Obela.

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