









## Resident Uche Okpa-Iroha

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#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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#### **EDUCATIONATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Bachelors of Technology Degree in Food Science and Technology, Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria (1997)

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Under The Table Pan African Photography Collective (2010 – Date)

Member, BlackBox Photography Collective (2006 - Date) Member, Education Sub Committee, International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF) (2003 - 2007) Member Board of Directors, International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF) (2001 - 2003)

#### **CURRENT PROJECT/RESIDENCY**

Rijksakademie Van beeldende Kunsten, Amsterdam (2011)

#### TRAINING ATTENDED

Passages Residency, Musee Des Confluences and Jean Paul Blachere Fondation, Lyon (2010)

On Independence and the Ambivalence of promise Residency,

Centre for Contemporary Art, Lagos, 2010 Photojournalism Workshop, Facilitated by Jide Adeniyi-Jones and organized by Timbuktu Media, Lagos,

Apprenticeship at Uche James Iroha Photography, Lagos (2005)

Internship at World Kidney Fund (WKF), National Kidney Foundation (NKF), Singapore (2001)

#### **AWARDS/PRIZES**

2010 Nominee 'Growth' Prix Pictet Award, Paris, France.

2009 The Seydou Keita Prize for the Best Photographic Creation, Bamako Encounters, Mali.

2009 Recipient, Fondation Jean Paul Blachere Prize, Lyon, France.

2007 First Runner up, Life in My City Art and Photography Competition, Enugu, Nigeria.

#### RECENT EXHIBITIONS/PROJECTS

- 2010 The Idea of Africa (re-invented) #1, Kunstualle, Bern, Switzerland.
- 2010 Africa: See You, See Me! Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2010 Uprooting the Gaze: Foreign Places, Familiar Patterns. Brighton Photo Fringe, Brighton, England.
- 2010 Bamako in Toronto Ryerson Gallery and Research Centre, Luminato, Toronto Festival of Arts and Creativity, Autograph ABP and The Gladstone Hotel, Toronto, Canada.
- 2010 Invisible Borders Road Trip Lagos –Dakar Group Project.
- 2010 'Under Bridge life': Exhibition of Bamako Encounters, Morocco.
- 2010 'Under bridge life': Exhibition of Bamako Encounters, Johannes Burg, South Africa.
- 2010 'Under Bridge Life': Exhibition of Bamako Encounters, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2010 'Under Bridge Life': Exhibition of Bamako Encounters, Antwerp, Belgium.
- 2009 8th Bamako Encounters, Biennial of African Photography, Bamako, Mali.
- 2009 Invisible Borders Road Trip Lagos-Bamako Group Project
- 2009 Second Photo Africa Contest, Exhibition, Tarifa, Spain.
- 2009 10th Havana Biennial (BlackBox Photography Collective Group Exhibition), Havana, Cuba.
- 2009 Pride! Portrait Photography Exhibition, Goethe Institut, Lagos.
- 2008 Portrait Photography workshop, Goethe Institut, Lagos.
- 2008 Energy of the City, A CORA Exhibition, Lagos.
- 2008 Loving Lagos, Exhibition, Berlin, Germany.
- 2008 First Photo Africa Contest, Exhibition, Tarifa, Spain.
- 2008 Body landscapes Photography Workshop at the Goethe Institut, Lagos.

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2008	Paris-Lagos Exchange Project, Workshop and
	Exhibition, Lagos.
2007	Life in My City Art and Photography Exhibition
	and Competition, Enugu.
2007	Lagos - City at Work (A group Book Publication)
2007	Nocturnal Vibrations (Black Box Photography
	Collective) at the Goethe Institut, Lagos.
2006	Football Worlds: A Photography workshop/
	exhibition organized by the Goethe Institut,
	Lagos.

#### **REFEREES**

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