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THE UGANDA PRESS PHOTO AWARD 2012

KAMPALA, August 9th - Ugandan photojournalists can win brand new Nikon camera, a scholarship to study a journalism degree at Victoria University, an Apple iPad, and a chance to have their work exhibited in Kampala, in the first ever Uganda Press Photo Award.

The organisers, the Foreign Correspondents Association of Uganda, have announced the Award open for entries. The Award is open to Ugandan photographers and photojournalists 18 years of age or above, and is produced in partnership with Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Victoria University, US Mission in Uganda, Tangerine, and Definition.

"There's already a lot of excitement amongst Uganda's community of photojournalists, and we're receiving more entries every week," said Michele Sibiloni, one of the organisers, and a photojournalist working for The New York Times and AFP. "The judges are really looking forward to seeing all the best images taken in Uganda over the last year."

The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony in Kampala later in 2012. All the winning photographs will be exhibited later in 2012 at Victoria University and Makerere University Art Gallery.

PRIZES

Main prizes include a Nikon D7000 DSLR camera and a scholarship to study a BA Media, Communication and Journalism at Victoria University, sponsored by Victoria University, and an Apple iPad from the US Mission in Uganda. Other prizes include Internet data sticks from Tangerine and definition t-shirts.

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Joan Pereruan – Photo Editor, Daily Nation, Kenya Ben Curtis – East Africa Chief Photographer & Photo Editor, The Associated Press Goran Tomasevic – Chief Photographer East Africa, Reuters Carl De Souza – Chief Photographer East Africa, Agence France Presse

SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: 1st SEPTEMBER 2012. Entries must be submitted online from the FCAU website: www.fcau.org/index.php?id=uppa2012

To stay informed about the competition and related events please join the Facebook event (www.facebook.com/events/125905354218895/) or follow FCAU on Twitter (@FCAUganda).

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There are still some more sponsorship opportunities available. For any enquiries or interviews please contact Anna Kucma, the project coordinator, at anna.kucma@fcau.org or +256 775 835 324