

PRESS RELEASE

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KAMPALA, 16th October 2014 - **The winner of the Uganda Press Photo 2014 is Abu Mwesigwa. He took the overall prize with a photo of a bride in wedding dress and her entourage, including soldiers in uniform, crammed into a saloon car, following a military mass wedding.**

Mwesigwa's winning image can be seen here:

<http://www.fcau.org/uppa/home/winners-2014/>

Mwesigwa selected by the jurors as the overall winner from 29 winners across seven categories (full list below). He works for Vision Group, and has a degree in fine art from Makerere University, majoring in photography.

All the winners were announced at an awards ceremony held at Makerere University Art Gallery, and the winners' exhibition, including all the winning images, was launched at the same occasion.

The Uganda Press Photo Award (UPPA) is organised by the Foreign Correspondents' Association of Uganda (FCAU), in partnership with Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and the US Mission in Uganda, and with support from Definition Africa. The Uganda Press Photo Award started in 2012, and 2014 is the third.

FCAU's co-chair, Malcolm Webb, who is also a correspondent for Al Jazeera English TV, said, "The Awards have gone from strength to strength each year. This year over 700 images were submitted, which is more than double what we received last last year. Also the standard of the entries is high, and growing higher."

Edward Echwalu, a FCAU member and one of Uganda's most renowned photojournalists, who works for Reuters and other publishers, said, "The Uganda Press Photo Award provides a unique platform that recognises the creative work of photojournalists in Uganda, something that was previously lacking."

All of the winning images can be seen on FCAU's Facebook page (links below).

The Uganda Press Photo Award has been trending on Twitter with the has tag #UPPA14

The exhibition of winning images will run at the Makerere University Art Gallery until 8th November.

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Definition Africa

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FULL LIST OF WINNERS (images can be seen here: <http://www.fcau.org/uppa/home/winners-2014/>)

Category: News

1st: Colleb Mugume

2nd: Abubaker Lubowa

3rd: Richard Sanya

Honourable mention: Drake Ssentongo

Honourable mention: Godfrey Ojore

Category: Daily Life

1st: Abu Mwesigwa (this image also the overall winner of UPPA 2014)

2nd: Oscar Kibuuka Mukisa

3rd: Joel Nsadah Isababi

Honourable mention: Daudi Murungi

Category: Portrait

1st: Peter Tera

2nd: Daudi Murungi

3rd: Papa Shabani

Honourable mention: Wagner Wabire

Category: Nature

1st: Matthisa Mugisha

2nd: Drake Ssentongo

3rd: Faiswal Kasirye

Honourable mention: Kennedy Oryema

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Category: Sport

1st: Micheal Nsubuga

2nd: Norman Katende

3rd: Daniel Bwette

Honourable mention: Johnson Mubiru

Category: Creative

1st: Matthias Mugisha

2nd: Joel Nsadah Isababi

3rd: Wasswa James

Honourable mention: Darlyne Komukama

Category: Story

1st: Daniel Edyegu Enwaku

2nd: Colleb Mugume

3rd: Joel Nsadah Isababi

Honourable mention: Drake Ssentongo