



Recaptioning Congo

African Stories and Colonial Pictures

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- Congolese fiction and memoir writers, and everyday voices revisit the photographic archives of the colonial Congo
- With contributions from celebrated authors such as Sinzo Aanza, Jean Bofane and Annie Lulu, e.a.
- Based upon the extensive research of the colonial Congo's photographic history by Dr. Sandrine Colard
- Short-listed in the Photography Catalog of the Year category at the Paris Photo–Aperture PhotoBook Awards 2023

Recaptioning Congo places the colonial Congo's photography history in new perspectives. Six writers and everyday Congolese urban voices take an African-centered look at imperial archival images and provide them with creative, contemporary and/or literary 'captions'. The book, linked to an exhibition in the photography museum FOMU Antwerp, is based upon the extensive research of the photographic history of colonial Congo (1885 – 1960), conducted by Dr. Sandrine Colard. It contains a wealth of revealing images that highlight the relationship between past and present, Africa and Europe and Belgium and Congo.

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