## ANA MASCARENHAS - THE ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Photographing with creative freedom—where emotions, stories, and spaces take on new life. I reject labels and genres: I explore both the raw strength of a tribe and the abstraction of a still life, the dynamism of movement, and the serenity of nature. My Art is a meeting point between imagination and reality, where each image is an instant immortalized to provoke emotion and reflection.

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

#### 2025

• "Brave Future" - Participates in the fundraising event, a non-profit organization that supports education (November 26).

#### 2023

• "Seven Immortal Pleasures" — Solo exhibition of photography and poetry at Instituto Guimarães Rosa (Centro Cultural Brasil Angola), Luanda (16 Feb — 11 Mar).

#### 2021

• "Olhares Cruzados" – Europe in Angola" – Group exhibition at Camões – Institute for Cooperation and Portuguese Language, Luanda. Selected photograph on the theme "Environment".

#### 2017

• "Iceberg Angola" – Solo exhibition of about 20 photographs at Casa de Angola, Lisbon, together with the launch of the homonymous book.

#### 2016

- "Africas" Participates in the group exhibition at Estação Cabo Branco Science, Culture and Arts (work by Oscar Niemeyer), João Pessoa, Brazil (April).
- "VêSó Project" Participates in the group exhibition in Miami, in Luanda, Angola (February).

#### 2015

• "VêSó Project" – Participates in the collective exhibition in the Kinaxixi Forest, Luanda, Angola (December).

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### 2025

• "Angels without Wings" – Book of photography and poetry by Gog Publishing. A moving portrait of childhood in contexts of vulnerability, published on March 22.

#### 2017

• "Iceberg Angola" – First photography book, published by Editora Omega. Visual record of the life and customs of the musseques of Angola.

### AWARDS AND HONORABLE MENTIONS

#### 2021

• "Crossed Looks – Europe in Angola" – Selected photograph on the theme "Environment". Promoted by the Camões Institute – Institute for Cooperation and the Portuguese Language.

#### 2016

• 3rd Place in the VEA Photography Contest – Vivre en Angola, promoted by Petrolífera Total (June).

# INTERVIEWS AND MEDIA APPEARANCES

#### 2025

- "Letter to the Reader" in Volta ao Mundo Magazine (July). Wrote an article sharing her experience with the Himba tribe in Angola.
- "Arts and Spectacles" Program RTP África (30 August). Interview about the exhibition "Seven Immortal Pleasures".
- Cultural Program with Jaime de Carvalho RDP Internacional (16 March). Interview focused on the book of photography and poetry "Angels without Wings".

#### 2023

• "Manhã de Prosas" Program – Rádio Cultura Angola (31 March). Interview with Rosa Lemos about the exhibition "Seven Immortal Pleasures" and the photographic path.

# BEGINNING OF THE ARTISTIC JOURNEY

#### March 2015

• Beginning of the photographic activity with the invitation to join the "VêSó" project, dedicated to the documentary record of the musseques of Angola.