

Ideas of Africa: Portraiture and Political Imagination



Air Afrique

Balafon n°1

1964

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune,
Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

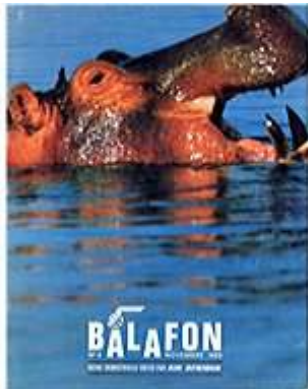
Balafon n°3

1965

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°4

1965

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

PILOT PIN

1965

Metal pin

1 15/16 × 1 3/16" (5 × 3 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°5

1966

Magazine, softcover

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Air Afrique

KEY RING

1966

Metal key ring

1 9/16 × 1 3/16" (4 × 3 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°10

1968

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

DJIMA RECORDS

1969

Vinyl 45tour Mono

7 1/16 × 7 1/16" (18 × 18 cm)

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Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

MEMOIRE DE L'AFRIQUE [MEMORY OF AFRICA]

1970

Box of four books, hardcover

12 3/16 × 9 1/16 × 1 15/16" (31 × 23 × 5 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune,
Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

HISTOIRE GENERALE DE L'AFRIQUE [GENERAL HISTORY OF AFRICA]

1970

2 boxes, 6 volumes in each (12 volumes, total)

7 7/8 × 5 1/2 × 2 3/4" (20 × 14 × 7 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune,
Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

MATCHBOX

1970s

Matchbox

1 15/16 × 1 3/8" (5 × 3.5 cm)

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Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

Air Afrique Suitcase

1970s

Vintage suitcase

11 1/4 × 17 1/8 × 4 5/16" (28.5 × 43.5 × 11 cm)

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Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

Balafon n°24

1972

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune, Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

PLAYING CARDS

1980

54 cards

3 9/16 × 2 3/16" (9 × 5.5 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°73

1985

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°119

1994

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

Balafon n°127

1996

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

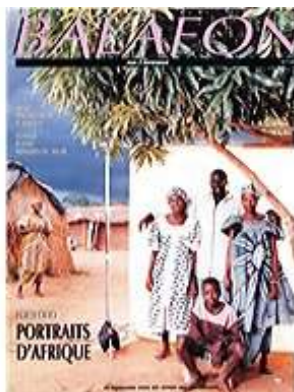
Balafon n°128

1996

Magazine, softcover

10 5/8 × 8 1/4" (27 × 21 cm)

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Air Afrique

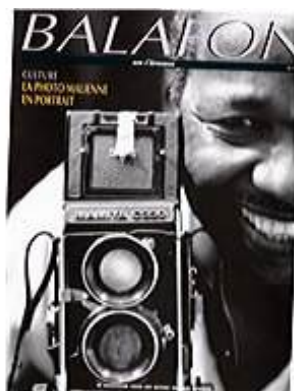
Balafon n°138

1998

Magazine, softcover

11 1/4 × 8 11/16" (28.5 × 22 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune, Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Air Afrique

Balafon n°142

1998

Magazine, softcover

9 13/16 × 5 7/8" (25 × 15 cm)

Air Afrique Collective, courtesy of Lamine Diaoune, Ahmadou-Bamba Thiam, Djiby Kebe, Jeremy Konko



Felix Akinniran Olunloyo (Nigerian)

Untitled

c. 1950-70

Gelatin silver print

5 1/2 × 3 7/16" (14 × 8.7 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection. Gift of Jean Pigozzi



Felix Akinniran Olunloyo (Nigerian)

Untitled

c. 1950-70

Gelatin silver print

5 7/16 × 3 7/16" (13.8 × 8.7 cm)

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Felix Akinniran Olunloyo (Nigerian)

Untitled

c. 1950-70

Gelatin silver print

5 1/2 × 3 1/2" (13.9 × 8.9 cm)

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Felix Akinniran Olunloyo (Nigerian)

Untitled

c. 1950-70

Gelatin silver print

5 1/2 × 3 9/16" (13.9 × 9 cm)

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5 1/2 × 3 9/16" (13.9 × 9 cm)

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Njideka Akunyili Crosby (Nigerian, born 1983)

And We Begin to Let Go

2013

Acrylic, acetone transfers, charcoal, pastel, marble dust, and collage on paper

Sheet: 84 × 105" (213.4 × 266.7 cm)

Promised gift of Jerry I. Speyer and Katherine Farley



James Barnor (Ghanaian, born 1929)

Ever Young Studio, Accra

c. 1954-59

Gelatin silver print, printed 2018-20

9 1/2 × 9 1/2" (24.1 × 24.1 cm)

Acquired through the generosity of Heidi and Richard Rieger



James Barnor (Ghanaian, born 1929)

Portrait of Evelyn Abbew, Ever Young Studio, Accra

c. 1954-59

Gelatin silver print, printed 2018-20

9 1/2 × 9 1/2" (24.1 × 24.1 cm)

Acquired through the generosity of Ruth Nordenbrook



Kwame Brathwaite (American, 1938–2023)

Untitled (Photo shoot at a school for one of the many modeling groups who had begun to embrace natural hairstyles in the 1960s)

1964-68

Inkjet print, printed 2024

30 × 30" (76.2 × 76.2 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Kwame Brathwaite (American, 1938–2023)

Untitled (Sikolo with Carolee Prince Designs)

1964-68

Inkjet print, printed 2024

30 × 30" (76.2 × 76.2 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Kwame Brathwaite (American, 1938–2023)

Untitled (Nomsa with Africa)

1964-68

Inkjet print, printed 2024

15 × 15" (38.1 × 38.1 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Kwame Brathwaite (American, 1938–2023)

Untitled (Nomsa with Earrings)

1964-68

Inkjet print, printed 2024

15 × 15" (38.1 × 38.1 cm)

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Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

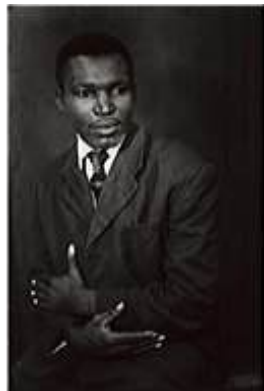
Una Moziki

c. 1960

Gelatin silver print, printed later

23 × 19" (58.4 × 48.3 cm)

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Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

Un Jazzeur (Jazzman)

1960

Gelatin silver print, printed later

23 × 19" (58.4 × 48.3 cm)

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Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

Untitled

ca. 1960

Original vintage print

3 1/2 × 4 9/16" (8.9 × 11.6 cm)

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Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

Untitled

ca. 1960

Original vintage print

3 9/16 × 4 11/16" (9 × 11.9 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

Le Progrès (The Progress)

1975

Gelatin silver print, printed later

15 3/4 × 11 13/16" (40 × 30 cm)

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Jean Depara (Congolese, born Angola, 1928–1997)

Les musiciens (The Musicians)

1975

Gelatin silver print, printed later

19 11/16 × 23 5/8" (50 × 60 cm)

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Samuel Fosso (French and Central African, born Cameroon 1962)

Untitled from the series African Spirits

2008

Gelatin silver print

64 1/8 × 48 1/16" (162.8 × 122 cm)

The Family of Man Fund



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Janet Jackson (American, born 1966)

Joni Mitchell (American, born 1943)

Q-Tip (American, born 1970)

Got 'Til It's Gone

1997

Single-channel video

Item Duration: 4 min., 10 sec.

Courtesy of Janet Jackson and Universal Music Group



Oumar Ka (Senegalese, 1930–2020)

Untitled (Two Women with Thatched Roof House)

1959-68

Gelatin silver print, printed 2024

17 × 17" (43.2 × 43.2 cm)

Gift of Bernard Lumpkin and Carmine Boccuzzi in honor of Darren Walker



Seydou Keita (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

c. 1952-56

Gelatin silver print

7 1/8 × 5 1/8" (18.1 × 13 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection. Gift of Jean Pigozzi



Seydou Keïta (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

c. 1952-56

Gelatin silver print

7 1/8 × 5 1/8" (18.1 × 13 cm)

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Seydou Keïta (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

c. 1955

Gelatin silver print

7 3/16 × 5 1/8" (18.2 × 13 cm)

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Seydou Keïta (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

1954

Gelatin silver print, printed later

46 15/16 × 65 7/8" (119.2 × 167.3 cm)

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Seydou Keïta (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled (Bamako)

1956-57

Gelatin silver print, printed 1997

15 9/16 × 22 1/8" (39.5 × 56.2 cm)

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Seydou Keita (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

1956

Gelatin silver print

7 1/8 × 5 1/8" (18.1 × 13 cm)

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Seydou Keita (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

1956-1957

Modern gelatin silver print

Image: 16 × 22 9/16" (40.6 × 57.3 cm)

Sheet: 19 7/8 × 23 13/16" (50.5 × 60.5 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Seydou Keita (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

1956

Modern gelatin silver print

Image: 22 3/8 × 15 11/16" (56.8 × 39.8 cm)

Frame: 30 3/16 × 23 7/16" (76.7 × 59.6 cm)

Sheet: 23 7/8 × 19 15/16" (60.7 × 50.7 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Seydou Keita (Malian, 1923–2001)

Untitled

1956-1957

Modern gelatin silver print

Image: 21 1/4 × 15 3/16" (54 × 38.5 cm)

Frame: 30 5/16 × 23 1/4" (77 × 59 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Ambroise Ngaimoko, Studio 3Z (Congolesse, born Angola 1949)

Petit Londa et son ami L Groupe Odeon

1974

Gelatin silver print, printed 1998

23 5/8 × 19 11/16" (60 × 50 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection. Gift of Jean Pigozzi



Ambroise Ngaimoko, Studio 3Z (Congolesse, born Angola 1949)

Untitled

1974

Gelatin silver print, printed 1998

23 5/8 × 19 11/16" (60 × 50 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection. Gift of Jean Pigozzi



Ambroise Ngaimoko, Studio 3Z (Congolesse, born Angola 1949)

Untitled

1976

Gelatin silver print, printed 1998

23 5/8 × 19 11/16" (60 × 50 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection. Gift of Jean Pigozzi



J.D. 'Okhai Ojeikere (Nigerian, 1930–2014)

Fro Fro

1970

Two gelatin silver prints

Each 11 × 8" (27.9 × 20.3 cm)

The Family of Man Fund



J.D. 'Okhai Ojeikere (Nigerian, 1930–2014)

Two in One Piko

1971

Two gelatin silver prints

Each 11 × 8" (27.9 × 20.3 cm)

The Family of Man Fund



J.D. 'Okhai Ojeikere (Nigerian, 1930–2014)

Brush Eko Bridge

1973

Two gelatin silver prints

Each 11 × 8" (27.9 × 20.3 cm)

The Family of Man Fund



Silvia Rosi (Togolese and Italian, born 1992)

Disintegrata che aspetta (Disintegrated Waiting)

2024

Inkjet print

31 1/2 × 31 1/2" (80 × 80 cm)

Carl Jacobs Fund



Silvia Rosi (Togolese and Italian, born 1992)

Disintegrata con foto di famiglia (Disintegrated with Family Photos)

2024

Inkjet print

31 1/2 × 31 1/2" (80 × 80 cm)

Carl Jacobs Fund



Silvia Rosi (Togolese and Italian, born 1992)

Disintegrata di profilo (Disintegrated in Profile)

2024

Inkjet print

31 1/2 × 31 1/2" (80 × 80 cm)

Carl Jacobs Fund



Silvia Rosi (Togolese and Italian, born 1992)

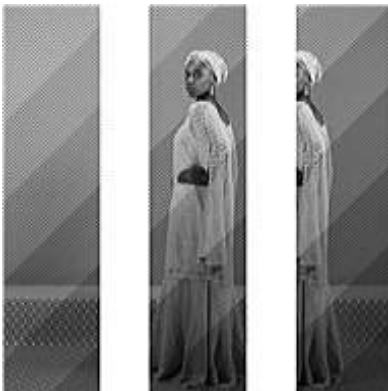
Sposa italiana disintegrata (Disintegrated Italian Wife)

2024

Inkjet print

31 1/2 × 31 1/2" (80 × 80 cm)

Carl Jacobs Fund



Silvia Rosi (Togolese and Italian, born 1992)

Sposa togolese disintegrata (Disintegrated Togolese Wife)

2024

Inkjet prints (triptych)

Each 31 1/2 × 7 7/8" (80 × 20 cm)

Carl Jacobs Fund



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Regardez-Moi [Look at Me!]

1962 (printed January 2006)

Gelatin silver print

Image: 39 3/8 × 39" (100 × 99 cm)

Sheet: 47 1/4 × 47 1/4" (120 × 120 cm)

Frame: 52 3/16 × 52 3/16 × 1" (132.5 × 132.5 × 2.5 cm)

Courtesy The Walther Collection, New York / Neu-Ulm



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Nuit de Noël (Happy Club) [Christmas Eve]

1963 (printed January 2006)

Gelatin silver print

Image: 39 × 39" (99 × 99.1 cm)

Sheet: 47 1/4 × 47 1/4" (120 × 120 cm)

Frame: 53 9/16 × 53 9/16" (136 × 136 cm)

Courtesy The Walther Collection, New York / Neu-Ulm



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Msele Kadiatou Touré avec mes verres fumés (Miss Kadiatou Touré with My Dark Glasses)

1963

Gelatin silver print

Frame: 17 1/16 × 16 7/16 × 9/16" (43.4 × 41.7 × 1.5 cm)

Image: 10 11/16 × 10 11/16" (27.2 × 27.2 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Boxeur (Boxer)

1966

Gelatin silver print

Frame: 27 9/16 × 27 9/16 × 9/16" (70 × 70 × 1.5 cm)

Image: 16 15/16 × 16 15/16" (43 × 43 cm)

The Jean Pigozzi African Art Collection



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Tiep Mariage

November 5, 1967

Nineteen gelatin silver prints mounted on paper

12 5/8 × 18 7/8" (32.1 × 47.9 cm)

Judith and Wm. Brian Little Fund



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Les Caïds (Big Shots)

July 19, 1970

Twenty-two gelatin silver prints mounted on paper

12 5/8 × 18 7/8" (32.1 × 47.9 cm)

Judith and Wm. Brian Little Fund



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Nuit du 10 octobre 1970 (Night of October 10, 1970)

1970

Twenty-two gelatin silver prints mounted on paper

12 3/4 × 19 3/4" (32.4 × 50.2 cm)

Judith and Wm. Brian Little Fund



Malick Sidibé (Malian, 1936–2016)

Untitled

July 28, 1973

Twenty-four gelatin silver prints mounted on paper

12 3/4 × 19 3/4" (32.4 × 50.2 cm)

Judith and Wm. Brian Little Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

3 × 4 9/16" (7.6 × 11.6 cm)

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Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 9/16 × 3 1/16" (11.6 × 7.8 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 3/4 × 3 5/16" (12.1 × 8.4 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 1/2 × 3 1/8" (11.4 × 7.9 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 1/4 × 3 3/16" (10.8 × 8.1 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 1/2 × 3" (11.4 × 7.6 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 1/8 × 3 1/16" (10.5 × 7.8 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

3 3/16 × 4 1/2" (8.1 × 11.4 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



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1970-85

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3 1/8 × 4 9/16" (7.9 × 11.6 cm)

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Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

3 1/8 x 4 5/8" (7.9 x 11.7 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

Untitled

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

4 1/2 x 6 9/16" (11.4 x 16.7 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

L'Homme à la guitare (The Man with a Guitar)

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

8 1/16 x 8 1/8" (20.5 x 20.6 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)

L'Américain (The American)

1970-85

Gelatin silver print

8 1/8 x 8 1/8" (20.6 x 20.6 cm)

Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)
L'Intellectuel (The Intellectual)
 1970-85
 Gelatin silver print
 8 1/8 × 8 1/8" (20.6 × 20.6 cm)
 Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)
Le Pistolero (The Gunman)
 1970-85
 Gelatin silver print
 8 1/8 × 8 1/16" (20.6 × 20.5 cm)
 Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)
Le Voyageur (The Traveler)
 1970-85
 Gelatin silver print
 8 1/8 × 8 1/8" (20.6 × 20.6 cm)
 Committee on Photography Fund



Sanlé Sory (Burkinabé, born 1943)
Prends garde! (Look out!)
 1970-85
 Gelatin silver print
 8 1/8 × 8 1/16" (20.6 × 20.5 cm)
 Committee on Photography Fund