

Gorée Island Catalog

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Twenty years ago we filmed Return To Belaye about a manhood initiation in a Diola village in the remote Casamance region of Senegal. There I was introduced to Senegal at a very intimate level. We lived the village life. Belaye is a small rice farming community without electricity or running water. The land, the quality of the light, the vibrant colors and warmth of the people moved me deeply. So familiar, so exotic, always alive.

Over the next fifteen years I made many production trips for various projects in Senegal and Gambia. I've visited numerous locations in both countries: urban capitals, isolated villages, forests, rivers, homes and mosques. I always carried a still camera but those images were only for me. No one saw them. We were making moving pictures. Every trip included time on Gorée Island that was savored as a chance to rest after long working trips.

Then one sunrise in 2015 on Gorée I picked up just a still camera and went for a long walk. On yearly trips since then I have concentrated on photographing this place that moves me so. The result is an archive of 10,000 or so images of Senegal. The pictures cover time and space in the Sub-region. Each trip draws me deeper.

Trips in 2017 and 2018 were mostly in the west, south and central parts of the country. I've been lucky enough to capture some cherished scenes. I plan to return to St Louis in the north the summer of 2019 and go to see the Futa Toro.

The collection prior to 2015 is in the Library of Congress.

Almost everyone has a vision of Africa inside of them.
My vision of one small part of Africa I can share with others.

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1506_Gorée3_3403 Fort d'Estrées, Harbor of Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3405 Fort d'Estrées, Harbor of Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3412 Le Port, Gorée Island.



1506_Gorée3_3429 Le Port w/ pirogue Gorée Island



0801_Senegam_286 Pirogue and Beach, Gorée, Senegal



1506_Gorée3_3540 At the Harbor, Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3408 The Memorial Gorée-Almadies



0801_Senegam_281 Musée de la Mer, Gorée Island



0801_Senegam_282 Mairie, Gorée Island



0801_Senegam_275 Palais du Gouverneur, Gorée



0801_Senegam_276 Ancien Hôpital, Gorée Island.



0801_Senegam_278 Maison des Esclaves Porte du voyage sans retour. Gorée Island.



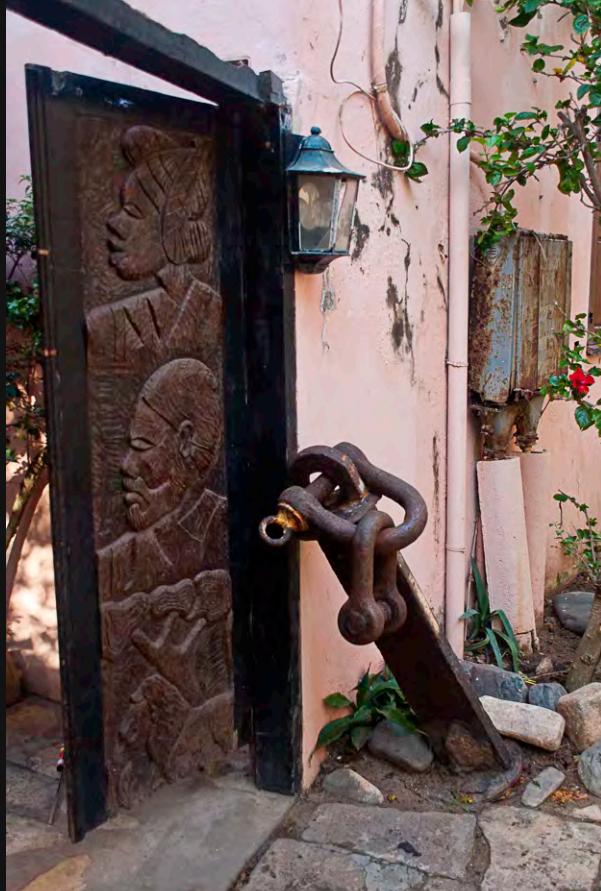
1506_Gorée3_3420 Musée de la Mer, Gorée Island, Senegal.



1012_Gorée_1455 La Plage, Gorée Island



1012_Goree_1470 Street scene, Gorée Island.



1012_Goree_1471 The Doors of Gorée Island- Anchor.



1012_Gorée_1473 The Doors of Gorée Island- Curve..



1012_Gorée_1474 The Doors of Gorée Island -Glass.



1012_Goree_1479 The Doors of Gorée Island- textured stone.



1012_Goree_1481 Rue de Batteries, Gorée Island



1012_Gorée_1484 Rue GO-36, Gorée Island



1012_Gorée_1488 Man in the portal, Gorée Island



1012_Goree_1501 La fontaine publique, Ile de Gorée, Sénégal, 2010



1701_Sene17_4746 La fontaine publique, Ile de Gorée, Sénégal 2017



1012_Goree_1509 Doors of Gorée Island, Home.



1012_Goree_1580 Tawny eagle, Rue des Batteries, Gorée Island.



1012_Goree_1585 Rue de Hann, Gorée



1012_Goree_1591 Rue de Dakar.Gorée Island.



1012_Goree_1612 Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3441 Musée de la Femme Henriette Bathily, Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3525 Musée de la Femme Henriette Bathily Gorée Island Built by Vidtoria Albis in 1777



1701_Sene17_4668 Musée de la Femme Henriette Bathily, Gorée Island.



1506_Gorée3_3448 Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3450 Maison d'Education Mariama Ba, Gorée Island.



1506_Gorée3_3463 Gorée Island



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1506_Gorée3_3491 St Charles Borromée, Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3493 Memorial to yellow fever victims,Gorée Island.



1506_Gorée3_3498 Bust of Blaise Diagne, Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3503 Hostellerie du Chevalier de Boufflers, Gorée Island



1506_Gorée3_3510 Street green, Gorée Island.



1506_Gorée3_3523 Rue Castel, Gorée Island



1701_Sene17_8717 Feral Cats, Gorée Isalnd



1701_Sene17_4860 Pirogue, beach and the Musée de la Mer, Gorée Isalnd



1701_Sene17_8731 Homeward, Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4596 Detail, Gorée Island



1701_Sene17_4687 A Lamp, Gorée Island



1701_Sene17_4689 Night on Gorée Island



1701_Sene17_4703 Tea vendors. Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4722 Soccer Practice, Gorée Island.



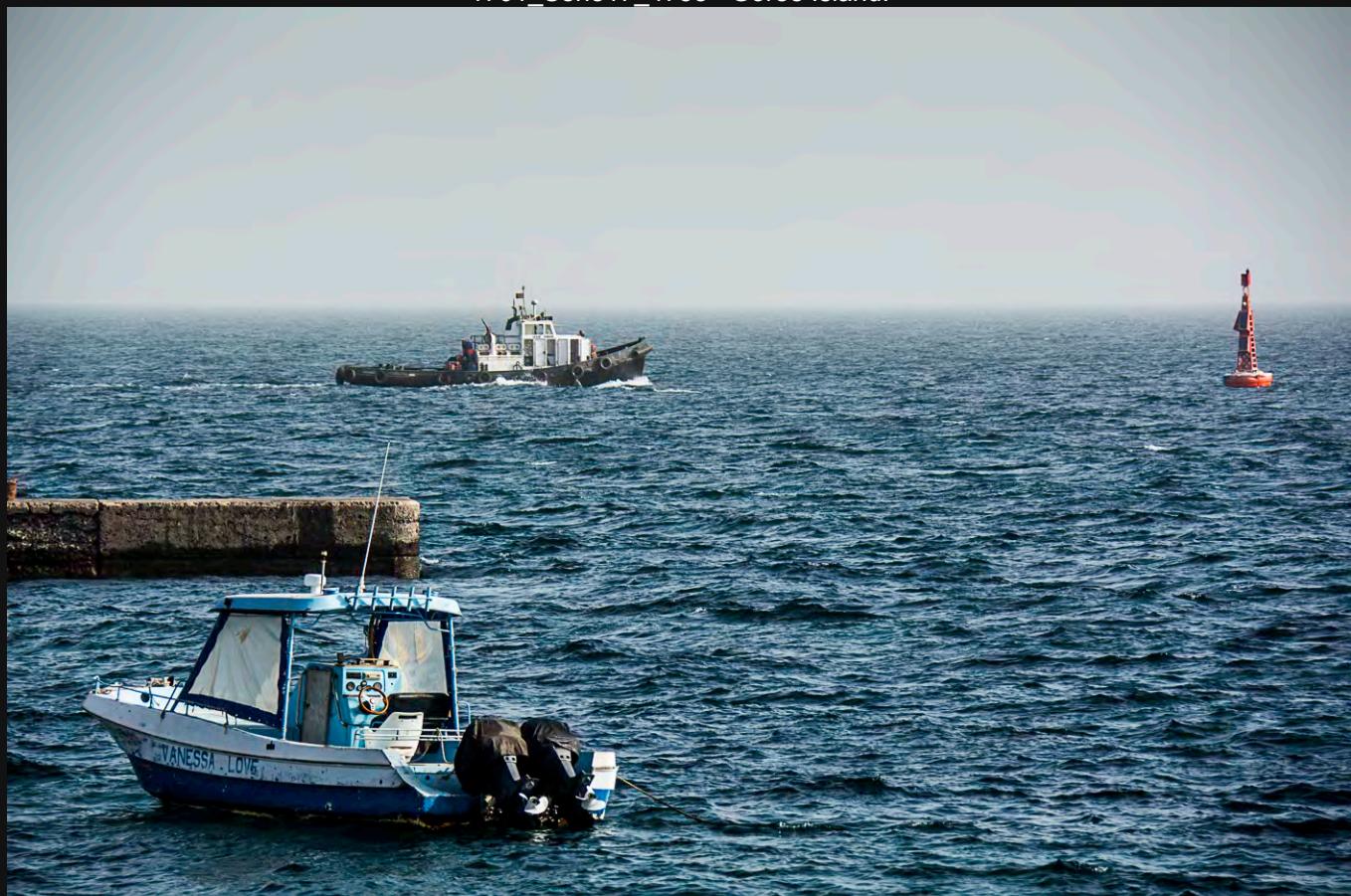
1701_Sene17_4736 Home, Gorée Island



1701_Sene17_4751 Yellow Eyed Cat on Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4758 Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4775 Harbor of Gorée, Wreck buoy of the SS Tacoma.



1701_Sene17_4787 Doors of Gorée- Cultural Center,



1701_Sene17_4796 Doors of Gorée- Blue.



1701_Sene17_4797 Doors of Gorée- Brown



1701_Sene17_4802 Rue de Bambaras, Gorée, Senegal.



1701_Sene17_4823 Rue Boufflers, Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4858 Rue St Germain.Gorée Island.



1801_Gorée_7937 Children, Gorée Island, Senegal



1801_Gorée_7926 Pirogue off Gorée.



1801_Gorée_7938 Yellow Eyed Cat on Gorée, 2018.



1801_Gorée_7947 Garden on Gorée



1701_Sene17_5587 Gorée Island.



1701_Sene17_4817 New friends, Gorée



1701_Sene17_4891 Arrival of the chaloupe. Gorée



1701_Sene17_5590 Gorée Island