



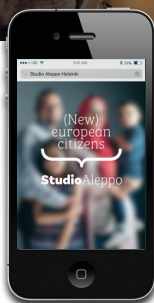
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International project

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Photo studio

Pop-up photo studio on location, where prominent photographers portray current and new citizens.

Website

The complete collection of portraits from all over Europe: www.studioaleppo.eu.

Exhibition

Found glass plates, negatives and prints from Aleppo. Local portrait gallery.



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Studio Aleppo

Picturing (New) European Citizens

A project with an international scope, collecting portraits and stories of (new) European citizens. In every participating city the project follows a similar concept. Locals and newcomers are invited to have their portrait taken in a pop-up photo studio, by a prominent photographer. Following the studio session, everyone takes part in a short interview.

As a welcoming gesture, local residents pay for two portraits: their own and a newcomers' portrait. The outcome is showed in a local portrait gallery, local or national media outlets and is collected online at studioaleppo.eu.

All portrayed subjects are presented in an equal manner. The project aims to contribute to a change in the perception of refugees and stimulate a feeling of recognition and inclusion.

Studio Aleppo is named after the remains of an archive of glass negatives and prints from a ruined photo studio, found by Syrian photographer Issa Tuma on the streets of Aleppo in 2015. At that moment, the city had been a war zone for over three years. *Studio Aleppo* presents these images from the past today, in order to honour the lost people of Aleppo. However, the project is not limited to Syria and Syrian refugees. Aleppo symbolises a society whose fabric has been ripped apart, but sadly is not an exception.