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# Ami Vitale



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**P**hotojournalist, filmmaker and *National Geographic* magazine contract photographer Ami Vitale has traveled to more than 90 countries to document civil unrest and violence as well as surreal beauty and the enduring power of the human spirit.

Her images are exhibited around the world in museums and galleries and are part of numerous private collections. She has garnered awards from World Press International, received the International Photographer of the Year prize and was named Magazine Photographer of the Year by the National Press Photographers Association.

Ami was the subject of a ten-part series on the National Geographic Channel and is a founding member of Ripple Effect Images, a collective of scientists, writers, photographers and filmmakers dedicated to creating powerful stories illustrating specific issues faced by women in developing countries.

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*To view more of Ami's photography, visit her website at [www.amivitale.com](http://www.amivitale.com) and blog at [www.amivitale.com/blog/](http://www.amivitale.com/blog/).*

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