

Children documenting language and culture: Games and toys in Ikakumo

An exhibition showcasing photographs and videos taken by participants of the Ikakumo Photography School 2013 run by [Asya Gefter](#) and [Sophie Salfner](#)

We have all played some form of football at some point in our lives, but what is your favourite game and what toys did you use to play with? Do you know the games ames, ligo, ayo, ekpe, okuto, cashew, locker, abas, ludo, tyre, ring or whot? Have you ever raced a bamboo car down the road?

In this exhibition, you see photos of games and toys taken by children in Ikakumo and videos of parents reminiscing about the games they used to play when they were small. You also see photos of the village where the children live and of the animals that people keep, photos of how the children help at home, and photos of what goes on in the village.

You can also find out how such photos and videos shot by the children help linguists with documenting a language and a culture, and how a linguist might put an exhibition and the materials to go with it into an archive.



Endangered Languages Week 2013 - SOAS, London, 20-28 May 2013

Monday 20th May 2013 - [ELDP Africa Day](#) / Room G03 (43 Gordon Square) 12 - 5pm

Tuesday 21st May 2013 - [The Endangered Languages Archive Open Day](#) / Room 346 (SOAS, Russell Square) 12-4pm

PICS Festival 2013 at the RichMix (35 - 47 Bethnal Green Road, E1 6LA) organised by PhotoVoice

Saturday 8th June 2013 - 12-6pm (£7.5/£5 conc), after-party 6-10pm - all welcome and free!

Irepodun Comprehensive High School, Ikakumo-Akoko, Nigeria, 20-27 July 2013

West African Linguistics Conference 2013, the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, 29 July - 2 August, 2013