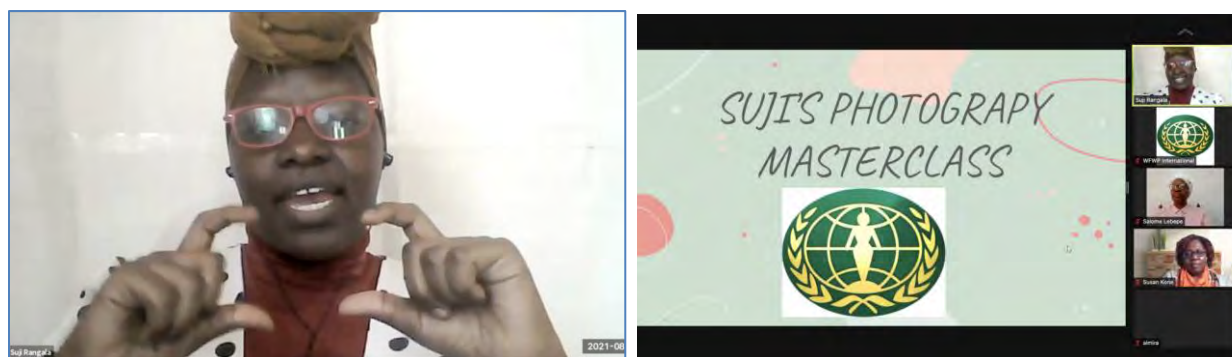


## WFWPI Virtual Cafe Photography Masterclass

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On August 20, 2021, Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWPI) held its bi-monthly Virtual Café, an informal gathering of intergenerational participants from around the world. Since 2020, WFWPI has been conducting Virtual Cafés as a hospitable space for leaders, members and guests to explore important issues and questions, encourage contributions from all, connect diverse perspectives, listen together for insights and share collective discoveries.



The theme of this month's event was "Photography Masterclass" and the objective was to learn how to take great photos with a smartphone or camera in order to create profitable images and to "stand out from the crowd." Photography seems to have emerged as a popular lockdown activity over the months and many photographers are using their social media accounts to help amateurs improve their skills.

84 people registered for this session and 51 leaders, members and guests from around the world attended. The course instructor was Ms. Suji Rangala, a young professional photographer from Nairobi, Kenya. She is an accomplished photographer and also an upcoming amateur voice-over artist and a martial arts enthusiast. She is currently interning at WFWP Africa and is also a member of the WFWPI Young Professionals' Team.

The masterclass consisted of a one-hour online session and a live QandA session, where Ms. Rangala shared the basic knowledge of photography using her own experiences while showing photos taken at various events and projects. "A picture is worth a thousand words," said Ms. Rangala. She explained how to take high-quality photos to express not only the facts but also the "emotions" behind them. Ms. Rangala also explained some important tips on how to store large-size photos onto the online cloud as well as how to transfer them.

All the participants were delighted and inspired by the practical course to improve their creative skills. WFWPI plans to hold more self-development sessions in the future to empower more people to embrace their creative nature.