



## Girma Berta's Colourful Pictures Celebrate Everyday Life In Addis Ababa

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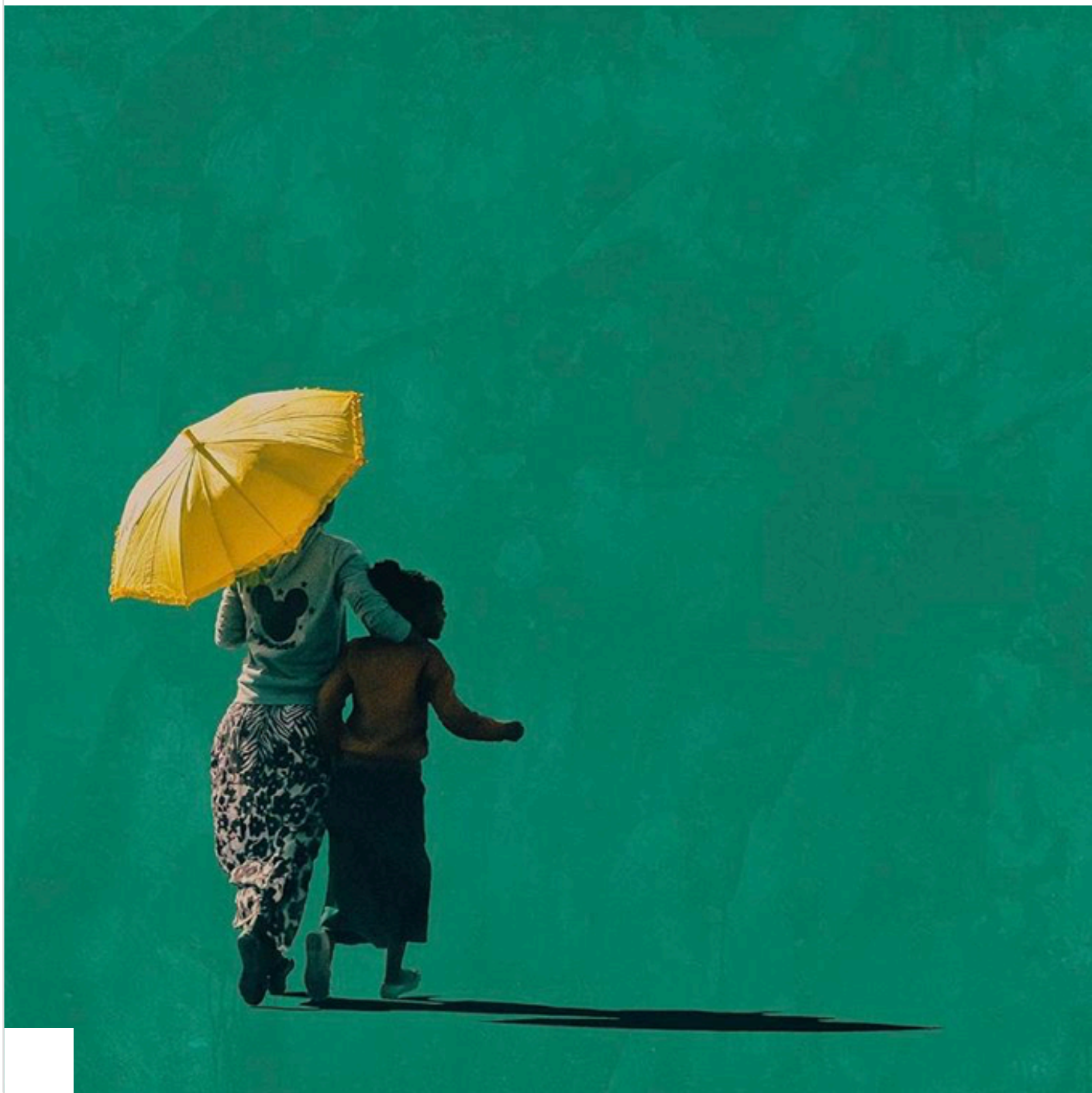
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Armed with only his iPhone and his keen eye, 26-year-old Ethiopian photographer and graphic designer, **Girma Berta**, is capturing the beauty of **everyday life** in the second largest city in Africa, **Addis Ababa**.

In his recent and most acclaimed series titled ***Moving Shadows***, Girma imposes the ordinary people he photographs onto colourful, digitally-manipulated backdrops; thereby shining a light on the mundane.



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Like most young artists, social media has provided Girma with a platform to share his work with the world. Just last year, he was awarded a Getty Images grant in support of photographers who use Instagram to share stories about underrepresented communities.

Speaking with [Nataal](#) about his work, Girma said:

**"Through my work on Instagram, I wish the world stares into the eyes of a face of Addis Ababa, the city where I was born and where I grew up. The beautiful, the ugly and all that is in between."**

You can check out the rest of his work on his [Instagram](#) or see it in person at ART X Lagos.



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To learn more about ART X Lagos you can visit [their website](#). You can also discover a bunch of other artists who will be exhibiting at the fair alongside Girma, like the talented Polly Alakija. Watch her interview below: