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Ako Salemi was born in 1981 in Bukan, Kurdistan, **Iran**. Since 2006 he has worked as a photojournalist for several Iranian newspapers. He is working as freelance photographer now. He has documented several stories in the fields of social, environmental and street photography in countries such as Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan and Ivory Coast. His works have been published in many famous international outlets and he win some International grants and awards during last few years. He is one of the founder members of an inspirational photography group called '[Hikari Creative](#)'.

Publications

- **Time:** [The Visible Effects of Climate Change in Iran](#), 2017
- **Time:** [On the streets of Tehran with Ako Salemi](#), 2014
- **Time:** [Exclusive: 29 Instagrams That Defined the World in 2014](#), 2014
- **The New Yorker:** [A Witness to Iran's Intensifying Struggle with Climate Change](#), 2017
- **The New York Times:** [The Nuclear Deal, Through Iranians' Eyes](#), 2016
- **The New York Times:** [Will Iran Descend into Chaos](#), 2017
- **VOX:** [This is what Climate Change is doing to Iran](#), 2016
- **Arte TV:** [Ako Salemi: Street Photography Iran#NoFilter \(2/10\)](#), Short movie directed by Nathalie Masduraud & Valerie Urrea, 2016
- **The Guardian:** [Getty Images Instagram grant-in pictures](#), 2015
- **Marie Claire:** [Ako Salemi, photographe en Iran](#), 2017
- **Pulitzer Center:** [2016: A Year in Photos](#), 2016
- **MSNBC:** [Life in Iran, beyond the headlines](#), 2014
- **Konbini:** [Video: Ako Salemi, One Minute Portrait](#), 2017
- **Lens Culture:** [Collectives Spotlight #1: Hikari Creative](#), 2016
- **Lens Culture:** [Afghanistan: The Color Awakens](#), 2015
- **Lens Culture:** [Tehran, City of Hope and Despair](#), 2016
- **Daily Mail:** [Sony Mobile Photography Awards](#), 2015
- **Pulitzer Center:** [Meet the Journalist: Ako Salemi](#), 2017

Awards

- **Pulitzer Center Persephone Miel fellow**, 2016, USA
- **Getty Images-Instagram grant**, 2015 & 2016, USA
- **Sony Photography Awards**, Mobile section 2015, UK
- **Kuwait Photography Contest**, 2016, Kuwait
- **HeadOn Photo Festival**, 2016, Australia
- **Florida Museum of Photographic Arts Awards**, 2016, USA
- **HIPA International Photography Awards**, 2016, UAE

Books

- **Mobile Street Photography**, *Groupe Eyrolles*, 2017, France
- **Life on Instagram**, *Penguin Random House*, 2017, UK
- **The Best of Lens Culture VOL. 1**, *Schilt Publishing*, 2017, Netherlands
- **Hikari Creative**, *Out of the Phone*, 2016, France
- **Tehran**, *Out of the Phone*, 2016, France
- **Hikari Creative Chance Encounters**, *Nazar Art Publication*, 2015, Iran
- **1 Camera 100 Photographers**, *Out of the Phone*, 2014, France

Exhibitions

- **Hikari Creative Chance Encounters**, *No.6 Art Gallery*, 2015, Iran
- **Getty Images Instagram Grants**, *Photoville Festival*, 2016, USA
- **Winners of Photography Competition**, *Florida Museum of Photographic Arts*, 2016, USA
- **HeadOn Photo Awards**, *Sydney Living Museums*, 2016, Australia
- **Sony Photo Awards**, *Somerset House*, 2015, UK
- **Mobile Solo Exhibition**, *No.6 Art Gallery*, 2014, Iran
- **Hikari Creative in FLAMOB Festival**, *Museu da Imagem e do Som*, 2017, Brazil