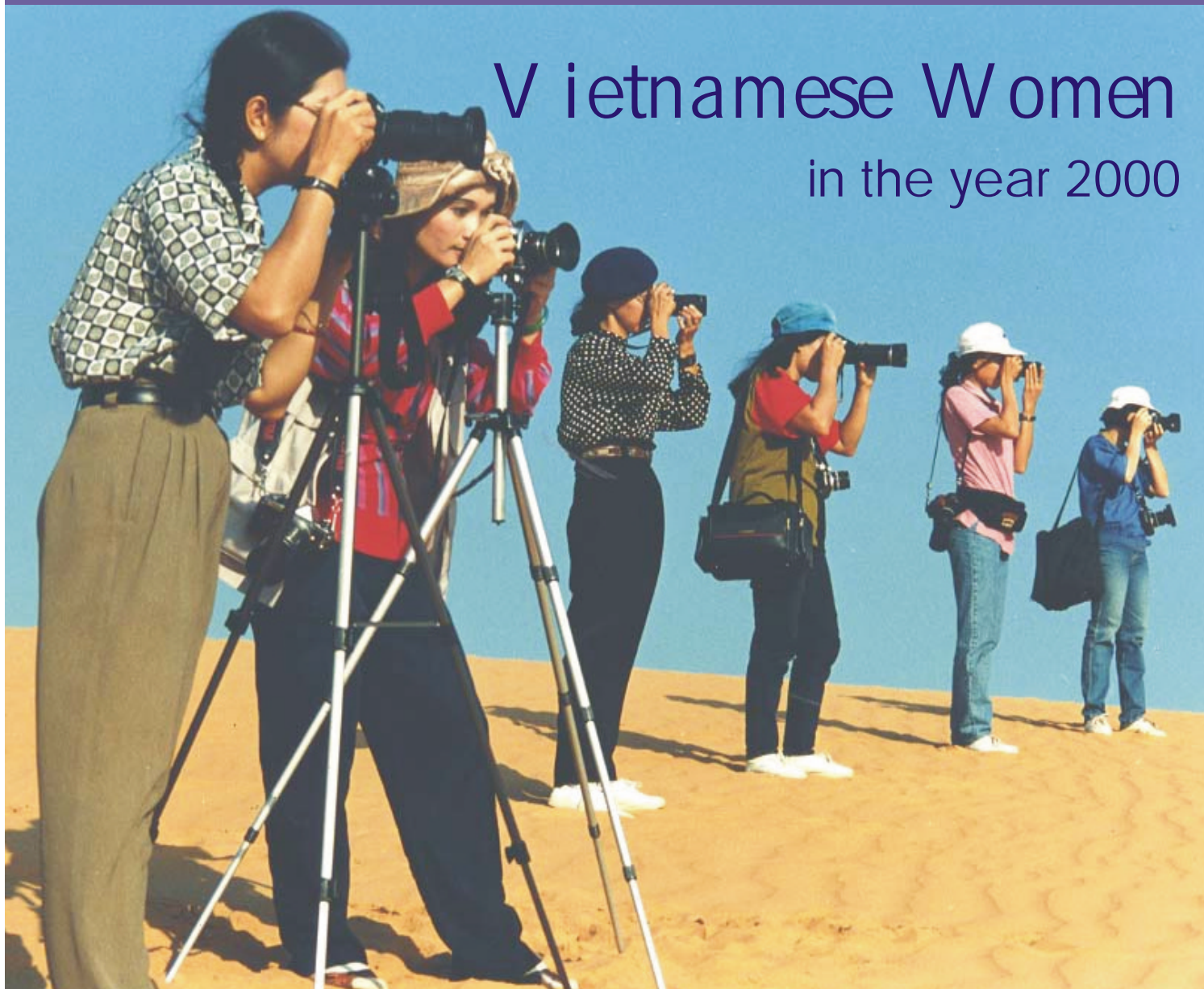


National Women's Photographic Competition

Vietnamese Women in the year 2000



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Foreword

*Vietnamese women play an important role in the history of the country – in the development and the protection of Viet Nam. However, their contribution has not been always adequately recognized. To draw in the talent of women and their positive and diverse roles in development, the United Nations in Viet Nam organized the national women's photographic competition, **Vietnamese Women in the Year 2000**.*

By highlighting the important roles of women in society, through positive photographic images, the United Nations in Viet Nam aims to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women, both of which are crucial elements for the sustainable development of the country.

The twelve categories of the competition depict the role of women in development fields in which UN agencies work in Viet Nam. These broad fields are: poverty reduction, HIV/AIDS prevention, child protection, family planning and reproductive health, agriculture and food production, cultural preservation, industrial development, returnee reintegration, unpaid and voluntary work, migration, health care and drug prevention.

The competition has received over 1,000 photographs from all over the country. This catalogue introduces the top 22 of the 82 winning photographs, including special, first and second prizes from all of the categories.

I am delighted that all UN agencies in Viet Nam, including FAO, IOM, UNAIDS, UNDCP, UNDP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNIFEM, UNV, WHO and WFP have funded and supported this important initiative.

I would like to thank all the women who participated in this competition and congratulate the various winners. I would like also to thank the Au Co Women's Photography Club, the Viet Nam Women's Union and the Viet Nam Association of Photography for their enthusiastic participation in this inspiring activity, and Nikon Corporation for their generous sponsorship.

I am delighted to introduce this catalogue and hope that it serves to reinforce the appreciation of women – dynamic actors in economic and society life, who actively contribute to a strong, developing Viet Nam.

Edouard A. Wattez
UN Resident Coordinator

Women's role in agriculture and food production

Grand Prize of the competition and First Prize of the category



Simple happiness

Nhat Nam - Bac Lieu

Food and Agriculture Organization

Women's role in agriculture and food production

Second Prize of the category



Early morning market

Diem Chieu - Ho Chi Minh City

Food and Agriculture Organization

Women's role in industrial development

First Prize of the category



Golden thread

Nguyen Thi Vang - Nam Dinh

United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Women's role in industrial development

Special Award for the depiction of women in non-traditional roles and
Second Prize of the category



The look of a welder

Luong Thien Thanh - Ha Noi

United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Women's role in HIV/AIDS prevention

Special Award for the most innovative image and First Prize of the category



Educating children on the epidemic

Do Thuy Mai - Ca Mau

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

Women's role in HIV/AIDS prevention

Second Prize of the category



Keeping away from HIV/AIDS

Luong Thien Thanh - Ha Noi

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

Women's role in poverty reduction

First Prize of the category



Making tapioca powder

Nguyet Anh - Ha Noi

United Nations Development Programme

Women's role in poverty reduction

Second Prize of the category



Preparing chillies for export

Tuyet Non - Bac Ninh

United Nations Development Programme

Women's role in poverty reduction

Special Award for technical merit



Silent night, working night

Pham Thi Xuan Hoa - Kien Giang

United Nations Development Programme

Women's role in returnee reintegration

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)



Climbing on a coal mountain

Nguyen Thi Sin - Ho Chi Minh City

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Women's role in child protection

First Prize of the category



Teaching disadvantaged children

Do Thi Ngoc Minh - Tien Giang

United Nations Children's Fund

Women's role in child protection

Second Prize of the category

Intimacy

Pham Thi Ai Nghia - Vung Tau

United Nations Children's Fund



Women's role in cultural preservation

First Prize of the category



Sharing old melody

Pham Thi Ai Nghia - Vung Tau

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Women's role in cultural preservation

Second Prize of the category

Traditional games:
Rice cooking competition

Tuyet Non - Bac Ninh



United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Women's role in unpaid and voluntary work

First Prize of the category



Flood season

Do Thi Ngoc Minh - Tien Giang

United Nations Volunteers

Women's role in unpaid and voluntary work

Second Prize of the category



Volunteers inspecting a mangrove forest

Do Thi Ly - Nam Dinh

United Nations Volunteers

Women's role in health care

First Prize of the category

Life time caring for each other

Pham Thi Thu - Ho Chi Minh City



World Health Organization

Women's role in health care

Second Prize of the category



Night shift

Truong Thi Hien - Ho Chi Minh City

World Health Organization

Women's role in drug prevention

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)



Withdrawal

Tran Thi Can - Ha Noi

United Nations Drug Control Programme

Women's role in drug prevention

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)

Counselling

Tuyet Phuong - Ha Noi



United Nations Drug Control Programme

Women's role in migration

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)



Settling down together

Van Anh - Hoa Binh

International Organization for Migration

Women's role in migration

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)



Well earned rest

Diem Chieu - Ho Chi Minh City

International Organization for Migration

Women's role in family planning and reproductive health

Second Prize of the category

(No First Prize awarded)



Satisfaction

Tuyet Minh - Ha Noi