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Travelling the Known and the Unknown: how literature and photography change the world we see

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How literature and photography change the world we see

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Who am I?

Journalist

Lonely Planet, CNN, Huffington Post, France Today, National Geographic Traveler & more

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Who am I?

Blogger

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Who am I?

Medical Doctor

Swapped a career as a hospital doctor for a life with words and pixels.





Photo Credit: Timothy Allen – Travel Photographer of the Year Awards





Traditional Ways to See the World

- Sales brochures perfection
- Art provocative & emotional
- The news destruction



Social Media

A New Way to See the World

- People now spend more time online than watching television¹
- 100 million people log on to Facebook at least once a day²
- Social networks and blogs are the most popular online category, followed by online games and instant messaging³



The difference?

- Realism
- Immediacy
- Recovery
- Context



Examples

- The tsunami in Japan
- The earthquakes in New Zealand
- Sanctions in Iran
- Violence across the Middle East
- Peace across the Middle East



The Discussion

 How literature and photography change the world we see

How literature and photography change the world



Thank you

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Sources: 1 - Ipsos Reid 2 - Facebook 3 - Nielsen Report

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