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Geiko & Maiko of Kyoto

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ABOUT THE BOOK

This is an intimate, intricately researched observation of Geiko and Maiko culture in Kyoto. The elegance and sophistication of these increasingly rare traditional Japanese artists is reflected in the meticulous design, respectful prose and gorgeous photographs.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Robert van Koesveld makes photo books, leads photo tours and writes about photography. He is the co-author, with his wife Libby Lloyd of *Bhutan Heartland* (Fremantle Press, 2010), a book that was well received in Bhutan and internationally. Together the pair lead small group photo tours of Bhutan and Robert leads photo tours for all levels of photographers to Japan, China and India. All these creative activities enable Robert to fulfill his motto: 'always learning to see'.



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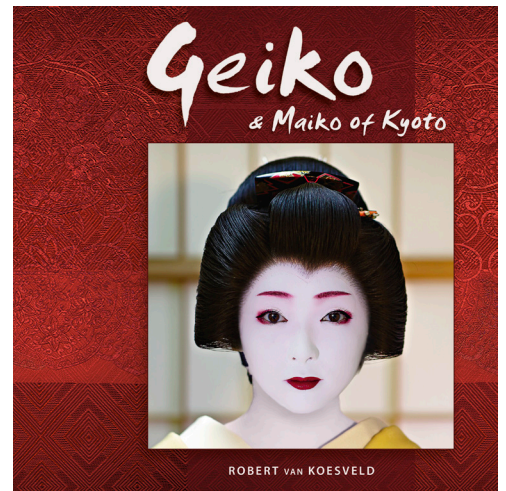
- *Geiko and Maiko of Kyoto* was awarded the Canon Photography Book of the Year (2015) by the Australian Institute of Professional Photographers.
- During many visits to Kyoto, Robert has been able to gain the trust of some of these young women and the strong women who manage their training and performances, giving us a rare insight into the hidden world of the Geiko and Maiko.
- High resolution images are available on request.

PRAISE FOR *BHUTAN HEARTLAND*

'outstanding photo journal [with] breathtaking scenery and fascinating stories.' *The Sunday Times*

'a book of brilliant and evocative photographs and stories ...'
Courier Mail

'this album-style series of brilliant photographs captures life in one of the least-known and most inaccessible of holiday destinations.' *Weekend Australian*



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