

Call of THE WILD!

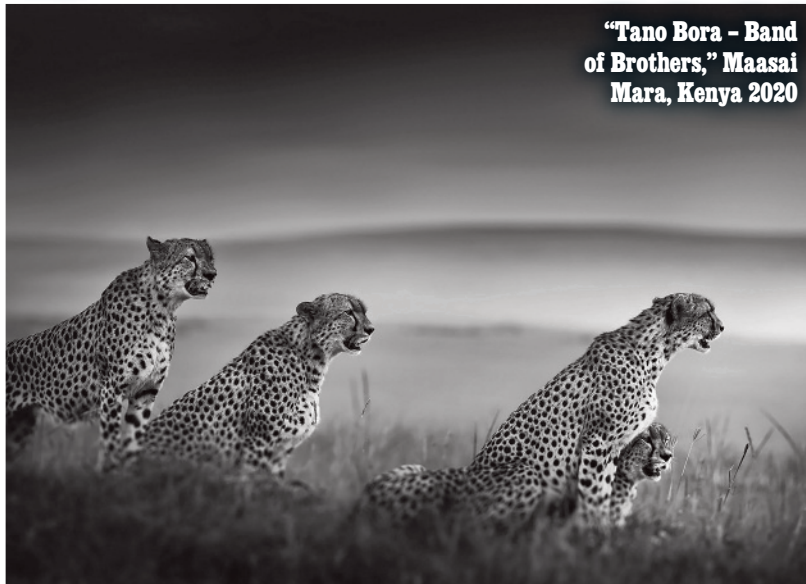
PROUD PORTRAITS OF BEASTLY BEAUTY



"Lionheart,"
Maasai Mara,
Kenya 2020



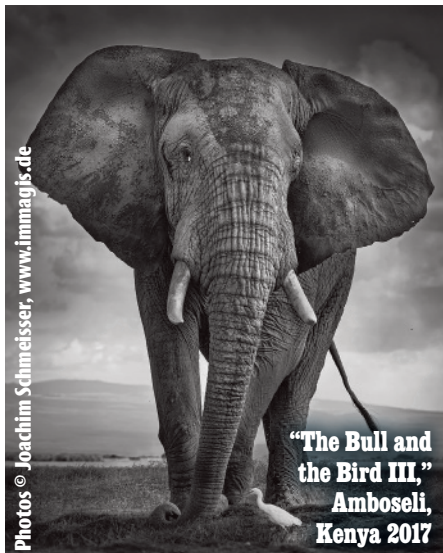
**"Giant Black
Rhino Bull,"**
Solio, Kenya
2019



**"Tano Bora - Band
of Brothers,"** Maasai
Mara, Kenya 2020



**"Giraffe
Couple,"** Solio,
Kenya 2019



**"The Bull and
the Bird III,"**
Amboseli,
Kenya 2017



**"Elephant
Herd in
Storm,"**
Amboseli,
Kenya 2019

IN A moving tribute to the unique beauty of endangered African wildlife, photographer Joachim Schmeisser has dedicated his second book to them. Every day, about 150 species disappear forever from this planet. The loss of biodiversity on such an unprecedented scale is even more threatening than climate change, because biodiversity is the basis of our existence — without it we cannot survive.

The book, called "Last of Their Kind," highlights some of the largest and most wonderful creatures in Africa who have grown particularly close to his heart in the many years of his work: elephant, rhino, giraffe, lion, cheetah, leopard and mountain gorilla — all utterly fascinating creatures and all of them endangered.

These are intimate portraits of the beauty of creation and its transience. Born in Germany in 1958, Schmeisser started his career as a professional photographer in the early eighties. He is best known for his exceptionally intimate and touching portraits of the most endangered species in Africa. In 2012, he was awarded with the prestigious Hasselblad Masters award for his series on African Wildlife. His intention is to show the beauty and uniqueness of our planet Earth.



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