## Fabio Bucciarelli | In Brief

Fabio Bucciarelli is an Italian photographer, journalist, and author known internationally for his documentation of conflicts and humanitarian crises. His photography is characterized by an empathetic approach and authorial vision that goes beyond simply documenting historical moments. Bucciarelli's evocative images not only capture the human experience but also engage viewers on a visceral level, encouraging deep reflection on the complexities of the modern world.

Recognized as one of the most influential photojournalists of our time, Bucciarelli collaborates with leading editorial platforms, including *La Repubblica*, *Die Zeit*, and *The New York Times* and his work has earned international awards, such as the Robert Capa Gold Medal, multiple World Press Photo Awards, the Visa d'Or News, the Lucie Impact Award, and the Prix Bayeux-Calvados for War Correspondents. He has also won thirteen Picture of the Year International awards, including the title of Photographer of the Year in 2019.

Beyond his photographic achievements, Bucciarelli has been a reporter for *Il Fatto Quotidiano* since 2009. In recent years, he has expanded his role to include curator and artistic director, with his works showcased in museums, galleries, and international fairs. He also serves as a lecturer and is actively engaged in educational initiatives. He is a Canon Ambassador.

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# Fabio Bucciarelli | In Depth

Fabio Bucciarelli is an international photographer, journalist, and author renowned for his coverage of global conflicts and the dire humanitarian fallout they entail. With a career spanning over 15 years, he has documented major international events, capturing images that reflect his unwavering empathy and commitment to telling the stories of those affected by war, climate change, and other human rights crises. His work is a powerful call to action, advocating for those whose lives have been upended by these devastating issues. He's reported from conflict zones across the Middle East, including Libya during the civil war and the fall of Gaddafi, and Syria during the battle of Aleppo, Iraq, Gaza, Iran, Egypt, Turkey, and Ukraine since the start of the conflict in 2014. Bucciarelli has also documented the humanitarian crises in Africa, including South Sudan and Mali. In addition to his coverage of conflicts and humanitarian crises, he has reported on a range of global events, including the devastating wildfires in Brazil, the protests against the neoliberal economic system in Chile, and the mass migration of Central Americans to the United States. In 2020 and 2021, he covered the COVID-19 pandemic at its epicenter in Italy for The New York Times. Most recently, he returned to Ukraine to document the Russian invasion as a special correspondent for Italian TV News TG3/Rai3 and on assignment for leading international publications, including Die Zeit and Il Fatto Quotidiano. After October 7, 2023, Fabio's long-standing interest in the region led him to spend several months between Israel and the West Bank, documenting the war in Lebanon, flying over Gaza, and returning to Syria to cover the fall of Assad's government after more than 50 years in power and 13 years of civil war. Additionally, in 2024, he traveled to Haiti on assignment for La Repubblica to document the takeover of power by the gangs.

Fabio Bucciarelli's unwavering commitment to telling important stories through vivid imagery and detailed reporting has earned him widespread recognition and respect within the industry. His reporting on the Syrian War earned him the prestigious Robert Capa Gold Medal from the Overseas Press Club of America. He has won 13 Picture of the Year International awards, 2 World Press Photo awards, 2 Sony World Photography Awards, the Prix Bayeux-Calvados for War Correspondents, VISA d'Or News of Perpignan, Lucie Foundation, Yannis Behrakis International Award, Premio Ponchielli, World Report Award, Best of Photojournalism, Days Japan International, Kuala Lumpur International PhotoAwards and Getty Images Editorial Grant among others accolades. He was named Photographer of the Year in 2019 and Photographer of the Year Award of Excellence in 2023 for his work covering the war in Ukraine and the devastating impact of the climate crisis in South Sudan.

Today Bucciarelli contributes to leading news outlets, including The New York Times, La Repubblica, Die Zeit, Il Fatto Quotidiano, La Stampa, Yahoo News, Newsweek, L'Espresso, Time Magazine, Al Jazeera, Paris Match, M Le Monde, and Internazionale, among others. Additionally, he collaborates with several NGOs and international agencies, including UNHCR, ICRC, Emergency, Intersos, and Soleterre.

In 2006, Fabio Bucciarelli earned an MS in Telecommunication Engineering from the Politecnico of Turin before his photography career. The following year, he was selected for the "Master dei Talenti" engineering grants program, which enabled him to work in Barcelona. In 2009, he left his engineering job to pursue photography full-time and joined the wire agency La Presse/Ap in Italy as a staff photographer. However, he soon became a freelancer, focusing on documentary photography.

In 2015, he co-founded MeMo, a cooperative of photojournalists dedicated to pushing the boundaries of digital storytelling. Working alongside coders and graphic designers, MeMo developed apps, interactive exhibitions, and educational programs until 2017. MeMo Magazine was

awarded the Derechos Humanos de España Prize as the 1st Prize Winner, recognizing the commitment to telling stories of human and social relevance through digital innovation.

In 2016, Bucciarelli successfully crowdfunded and published his book, 'The Dream', in partnership with New York-based publisher FotoEvidence. The project was a long-term endeavor that began in 2011, covering the refugee crisis in over 11 countries. The Dream is a poignant exploration of the human condition, a narrative experiment that blends photojournalism with conceptual photography. The book was recognized by Time Magazine as one of the best photo books of the year.

After covering the "Great March of Return" in Gaza in 2018, he shifted his focus to Central and South America, documenting the migrant exodus to the United States, the Amazon wildlife fires, and the Chilean struggle against the Neoliberal system. These projects earned him the 2019 POYi Photographer of the Year and the 2020 World Press Photo awards, respectively. In 2020 and 2021, Bucciarelli covered the COVID-19 epidemic in its European epicenter in Italy for The New York Times, bringing global attention to the effects of the coronavirus and the resilience of families with multiple covers in the American newspaper. His story "We Take the Dead From Morning Till Night" was recognized by the Visa d'Or News in Perpignan, the Lucie Impact Award, and the Yannis Behrakis International Award.

Fabio's images have been exhibited worldwide in solo and group exhibitions at museums and galleries, and his artworks are part of several collections. His photographs have also been featured in international art fairs, including Photo London, AIPAD New York, MIA Milano, ArtVerona, Photo Basel, and Zona Maco Mexico.

Over the past ten years, Fabio has dedicated himself to spreading information and expanding his journalistic reach to engage an ever-growing audience. He has taught at Italian universities and led international photojournalism courses and masterclasses. His expertise in conflict zones has been shared through conferences and lectures at significant national and international festivals. Fabio has spoken at events such as the International Journalism Festival in Perugia, Repubblica delle Idee, the Turin International Book Fair, the Bronx Documentary Center in New York, Visa pour l'Image in Perpignan, and various cities around the world including Copenhagen, Sofia, Kuala Lumpur, and Vilnius. Alongside his projects as a photographer and reporter, he has been assigned to work as a curator and Artistic Director by several museums and institutions, including the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In November 2023, Fabio Bucciarelli became a Canon Ambassador, aligning himself with a distinguished group of the industry's renowned photojournalists. In 2024, Fabio Bucciarelli published the book 'South Sudan: The Identity of the World's Youngest Country' with Dario Cimorelli Editore. This work compiles photographs taken between 2012 and 2022, capturing the essence of South Sudan as it seeks to establish its identity following decades of conflict. The book offers a poignant testimony to the human costs of war and the resilience of people facing immense challenges in their journey toward building a new nation.

#### SELECTED AWARDS & GRANTS

- 2025: **Istanbul Photo Awards** 3rd Prize Winner, Daily Life Story
- 2025: **BOP\_Best of Photojournalism** Photographer of the Year, HM
- 2025: Picture of the Year International Finalist, Issue Reporting Story
- 2025: Picture of the Year International Award of Excellence, Spot News
- 2025: Picture of the Year International Award of Excellence, General News
- 2024: Bartur Photo Award Highly Commended
- 2023: UNICEF Photo of the Year Honorable Mention
- 2023: Picture of the Year International Photographer of The Year, Award of Excellence
- 2023: Picture of the Year International War in Ukraine 1st Prize Special Recognition
- 2023: Sony World Photography Award 3rd Prize Winner, Landscape
- 2022: UNICEF Photo of the Year Honorable Mention
- 2022: Picture of the Year International (POYi) 1st Prize World Understanding Award
- 2021: Istanbul Photo Awards 1st Prize Winner, News Story
- 2021: Lucie Professional Impact Award 1st Prize Winner
- 2020: Visa d'Or News (Perpignan) 1st Prize Winner
- 2020: Yannis Behrakis International Photojournalism Award 1st Prize Winner
- 2020: Getty Images Editorial Grant Recipient
- 2020: World Press Photo 2nd Prize Winner, General News Story
- 2020: **Premio Amerigo** 1st prize Winner
- 2020: Premio Anima per il Sociale 1st Prize Winner
- 2019: Picture of the Year International (POYi) Photographer of the Year
- 2019: Picture of the Year International (POYi) 1st Prize, News Story
- 2019: Picture of the Year International (POYi) 2nd Prize, News Story
- 2019: Focus on The Story Awards 1st Prize Winner
- 2019: Prix Bayeux-Calvados des correspondants de guerre Finalist
- 2018: Days Japan International Photojournalism Award Public Prize Winner
- 2017: Best of Photojournalism (BOP) Honorable Mention
- 2017: Leica Oskar Barnack Award Finalist
- 2017: Picture of the Year International (POYi) Award of Excellence
- 2016: Best PhotoBooks of 2016 by TIME Magazine The Dream
- 2016: Picture of the Year International (POYi) 1st Prize Winner, General news
- 2015: Premio Derechos Humano de España 1st Prize Winner, MeMo Magazine
- 2015: NPPA Best of Photojournalism (BOP) Contemporary Issue
- 2015: Pictures Of the Year International (POYi) Award of Excellence
- 2015: Fotoevidence Book Award Finalist
- 2014: Best of Photojournalism (BOP)
- 2014: **PDN's 30 –** recipient
- 2013: The Robert Capa Gold Medal 1st Prize Winner
- 2013: **World Press Photo** 2nd Prize Winner, Spot News Story
- 2013: Prix Bayeux-Calvados des correspondants de guerre 1st Prize Winner
- 2013: Pictures Of the Year International (POYi) 2nd Prize Winner, News Story
- 2013: World Report Award (Master Award) 1st Prize Winner
- 2013: **Premio Amilcare Ponchielli** 1st Prize Winner
- 2013: **Sony World Photo Award** 3rd Prize Current Affairs
- 2013: Leica Oskar Barnack Award Finalist
- 2013: Fotoevidence Book Award Finalist
- 2012: **IPA** & Top Pics by Country 1st Prize Winner war/conflict category
- 2012: Kuala Lumpur International PhotoAwards 1st Prize Winner, Portrait Category
- 2012: **Professional Photographer of the Year** 1st Prize Winner, Editorial News

#### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025: Occupied Territories | Gallerie di Piedicastello, Trento, Italy
- 2024: Ukraine: The Russian Invasion | Pont-Saint Martin, Italy
- 2024: The World We Live In | Palazzo Todesco, Vittorio Veneto
- 2022: INDIFFERENZE: Street exhibition | Conversano, Italy
- 2022: Ukraine: The Russian Invasion | Villa Filiani, Pineto (TE), Italy
- 2022: Memories of War / WARM Festival, Manifesto Gallery, Sarajevo
- 2021: The Border Wall | Tina Modotti gallery, Bolzano, Italy
- 2021: When Everything Changed: Covid-19 | Porto, Portugal
- 2021: When Everything Changed: Covid-19 | Ferrara, Italy, Riaperture
- 2021: When Everything Changed: Covid-19 | Sala De Cidade, Coimbra, Portugal
- 2021: When Everything Changed: Covid-19 | Melina Cultural Center, Greece, Athens
- 2019: EVIDENCE | Gallerie Piedicastello, Museo Storico del Trentino, Trento
- 2018: No War No Peace | MAG Alto Garda, Italy
- 2017: The Dream | Mudima Lab Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 2017: South Sudan | Festival Fotografia Etica, Lodi, Italy
- 2016: The Dream | Street Art Installation, Pineto, Italy
- 2016: The Dream | De Chirico Contemporary, Turin, Italy
- 2016: The Dream | Synthesis Gallery in Sofia, Bulgaria
- 2016: The Dream / Bronx Documentary Center, New York
- 2015: Battle to Death | Fondazione Carispezia Spazio32, La Spezia, Italy
- 2015: Maiores Nostri | Ron Lang Art Gallery, Amsterdam
- 2014: Maiores Nostri | De Chirico Contemporary, Torino, Italy
- 2014: EVIDENCE, Palazzo Eccheli-Baisi, Brentonico (Trento), Italy
- 2014: Battle to Death | Belvedere Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 2013: EVIDENCE at Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo, Torino
- 2013: Battle to Death | Museo dell'Emigrante, San Marino
- 2012: EVIDENCE White Gallery Trento (Museo Storico del Trentino)
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra | Palazzo Medici, Firenze
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra | Premio Ilaria Alpi, Riccione, Italy
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra I Spazio Morini & Arezzo Wave 2012, Arezzo, Italy
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra I Gallerie di Piedicastello, Trento, Italy
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra | Rovereto, Italy

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS & INTERNATIONAL ART FAIRS

- 2023: Sony World Photography Award Touring Exhibit
- 2023: Padova Imp Festival | Ukraine War Crime
- 2022: Focus on Future | Palazzo Reale, Torino, Italy
- 2019: FotoEvidence | Aveiro Museum de Arte Nova, Porto, Portugal
- 2019: ArtVerona, Art Fair, Italy
- 2019: MIA Art Fair, Milan, Italy
- 2018: MIA Art Fair, Milan, Italy
- 2018: MareNostrum | Madrid Photo Fest, Spain
- 2017: MareNostrum | Niemeyer Centre, Spain
- 2017: Biennale Democrazia, Esodi e Conflitti | Turin, Italy
- 2017: Photo Basel International Art Fair
- 2017: PhotoLondon, London, UK
- 2017: AIPAD Fair, New York
- 2017: MIA Art Fair, Milan, Italy
- 2016: MareNostrum, Museo Pablo Serrano, Zaragoza
- 2016: MIA Art Fair, Milan, Italy
- 2016: Zona Maco, Mexico City, Mexico

- 2015: Fondazione Studio Marangoni, Firenze, Italy Ponchielli Prize winners
- 2015: Fabio Bucciarelli & Manu Brabo SIRIA Niemeyer Centre Spain
- 2015: BUKRA INSHALLAH curator & photographer, Blue Project Foundation, ES
- 2015: MIA Art Fair, Milan, Italy
- 2014: FIRST GLOBAL WAR curator & photographer, White Gallery Trento, Italy
- 2013: Battle to Death, VII Gallery, NY
- 2013: Battle to Death, Festival della Fotografia Etica, Lodi, Italy
- 2012: A World Elsewhere: Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) UK 2012: Foto8 Gallery, London, UK
- 2012: Wherehouse Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2012: Uprising in Athens, Somerset House, London, UK
- 2012: The Print Space, London, UK

#### **BOOKS**

- 2024: South Sudan: The Identity of the World's Youngest Country | Dario Cimorelli Editore
- 2024: UKRAINE: War + Love by FotoEvidence | Collective Book
- 2023: UKRAINE: A War Crime published by FotoEvidence | Collective Book
- 2016: The Dream published by FotoEvidence
- 2015: The Gold Medals published by Contrasto | Collective Book
- 2015: 10 fotografi, 10 storie, 10 anni. Premio Ponchielli. Edited by Contrasto
- 2012: L'Odore della Guerra, published by Aliberti

#### SELECTED LECTURES & TEACHING

- 2025: LiberFestival | Bari
- 2024: Oltreconfine Festival
- 2024: Canon Student Dev Program | Mentor
- 2024: Salone del Libro I Torino
- 2024: Teatro Conegliano
- 2024: Ad Com Masterclass, Bologna, Italy
- 2023: Repubblica delle Idee | Bologna
- 2023: Canon Ambassador Lectio Magistralis | Roma, Italy
- 2023: TEDx Milano | Teatro del Verme
- 2023: Ad Com Masterclass, Bologna, Italy
- 2022: TG3 News | RAI3 Tv
- 2022: TG3 Mondol RAI3 Tv
- 2022: Oggi è un altro giorno | RAI1 Tv
- 2022: Che Tempo Che Fa | RAI3 Tv
- 2022: FFR & Frontline Club | Lecture
- 2022: Pineto, Villa Filiani | Lecture
- 2021: Piazza Pulita | La7 Tv
- 2021: Biennale e Democrazia | Conference
- 2020: Canon Europe | Documenting Coronavirus
- 2020: Canon Europe, Canon Student Program & Danish School of Media | Lecture
- 2020: Canon Europe, Canon Student Program & New Old Camera | Lecture
- 2020: Canon Europe, Canon Student Program & Sint Lucas Antwerpen | Lecture
- 2020: Picture of the Year | Lecture
- 2019: Propaganda Live | La7 Tv
- 2019: Screening "The Border Wall" at Visa pour l'image, Perpignan
- 2019: Screening "The Dream" book, FotoEvidence, at Visa pour l'image, Perpignan
- 2018: Workshop IED, Torino, Italy
- 2018: Turin Book Fair | Jury at La Stampa Photo Award

- 2018: Lectio Magistralis at World Press Photo | Turin, Italy
- 2018: Atlantide | LA7 TV
- 2018: Scuola Holden | Turin, Italy
- 2017: Kilimangiaro | RAI3 TV
- 2017: Masterclass Photojournalism | Turin, Italy
- 2017: Workshop IED, Torino, Italy
- 2017: Biennale Democrazia | Turin, Italy
- 2016: TEDx Milano | Teatro del Verme
- 2016: Talk Ca'Foscari University, Venice, Italy
- 2016: Workshop IED, Torino, Italy
- 2016: Talk Salone Internazionale del Libro di Torino, Italy
- 2016: Bronx Documentary Center, New York
- 2015: Memory in Motion. Frontline Club, London
- 2015: Workshop IED, Torino, Italy
- 2014: Che Tempo Che Fa | RAI3 TV
- 2014 Entrepreneurs for Social Change 2014 by UNAOC & Fondazione CRT
- 2013: Screening "Battle to Death" at Visa pour l'image, Perpignan
- 2013: Photojournalism: World Press Photo & Magnum Photo | Teatro Regio, Torino, Italy
- 2013: Syria: Changhing Media Coverage? | Frontline Club, London
- 2013: "The Human cost of News Gathering" | American University of Paris
- 2013: "A Day Without News" VISA pour l'image, Perpignan
- 2013: Panel at John Cabot University the new role of the photojournalist (Nppa)
- 2012:L' Odore della Guerra, a book write with Stefano Citati, Edited by Aliberti
- 2012: Lecture "War Journalism" at Festival della TV e dei New Media, Dogliani
- 2012: "War Journalism" at Festival della TV e dei New Media, Dogliani

## ART DIRECTION

- 2023: WARS 2023 International Photo Award
- 2021: WARS 2021 International Photo Award
- 2019: WARS 2019 International Photo Award
- 2019: WARS Exhibition, Galleria Piedicastello, Trento
- 2019: WARS Exhibition, Internazionale Festival, Ferrara, Italy
- 2018: CO[OPERA] Exhibition, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation