



# A PLACE CALLED WAHALA

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## SYNOPSIS

Every year the War Cemetery Memorial of Wahala / Chra in Togo (West Africa) hosts the 11th November Remembrance Day Ceremony in memory of the First World War and of the African colonial soldiers who died here in August 1914. The first German surrender in WWI was signed in Togo, on the soil of the Reich's cherished "model colony", shortly after the Battle of Chra. It marked the end of German "Togoland". But Wahala's history and its name point to another painful past. Wahala / Chra: a place where the voice of the ancients resonates with present day pictures...

## FESTIVALS

- 2021 SOLE LUNA International Documentary Film Festival, Palermo / Italy (premiere)
- 2021 LIMA ALTERNA Festival Internacional de Cine, Lima / Peru
- 2021 AHRFF Africa Human Rights Film Festival, Johannesburg / South Africa
- 2021 Festival Internacional de Cine Africano, Buenos Aires / Argentina
- 2021 INTERFÉRENCES Documentary Film Festival, Lyon / France
- 2021 SCFF The Sabira Cole Film Festival, Pittsburgh, PA / USA: Sabira Cole Award Feature-Length Film Category
- 2021 Festival Écrans Noirs, Yaoundé / Cameroon
- 2021 SFP Sharjah Film Platform / United Arab Emirates
- 2021 FICS Salerno International Film Festival / Italy
- 2021 Festival International de Cinéma Les Écrans de Tombouctou, Timbuktu / Mali
- 2021 FIFSAV Festival International du Film des Savanes, Mango, Barkoissi / Togo
- 2021 FICA Festival Internacional de Cine Austral, Ciudad de Córdoba / Argentina:

Awards for Outstanding Documentary Screenplay, Outstanding

Germany, Togo, France 2021  
56 min

### ORIGINAL TITLE

Un lieu nommé Wahala, Ein Ort namens Wahala

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

History, Conflicts, War/Peace, Human Rights, Politics

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

French, German, Arabic

### PREMIERE

Palermo, Italy (2021)

### WORLD SALES

[AndanaFilms](#)

300, route de Mirabel  
07170 Lussas

France

<http://www.andanafilms.com>

### SUPPORTED BY

[Kida Studios](#)

Quartier Djidjolé

8 Lomé

Togo

<http://NULL>

### FILM LOCATION

Togo (Wahala)

### LINKS / REFERENCE

VOD

<https://videos.harmattantv...>

(French OV)

FILM TRAILER

<https://vimeo.com/760632518>