

SCRIPT BONE JEWELRY KIBERA KENYA

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INTRODUCTIE

Money doesn't smell, the old Romans already said that, and it also applies to the work of a group of artisans in the Kibera slum in the Kenyan capital Nairobi. They make jewelry from cow and goat bones. They take them from the garbage which can be found everywhere in the estate, and which normally imposes a big problem. The men who call themselves the 'Victorious Youth Group', found a positive way to use the garbage. They make their living with it, and also help the environment. This is the second report in a series on good things coming from Kibera.

BETA LENGHT 1'54"

SHOTS

- *table with exhibited jewelry*
- *garbage dump site with dog*
- *train passing through dump site*

VOICE OVER

If you see this exhibit it's hard to imagine it originates from garbage. That can be found here along the railway through Kibera in Nairobi.

SOUNDBITE TRAIN PASSING BY

SHOTS

- *close garbage in dump site*
- *wide houses Kibera with garbage, mother walking with child*
- *child seated in dumpsite*
- *signboard Victorious Youth Group*
- *men holding cow bones in his hand*

VOICE OVER

Tons of garbage just rot away since there is no garbage collection; while Kibera has a population of 200,000. When it's hot weather the stench is horrible. The Victorious Youth Group uses the bones from the garbage to make artifacts.

QUOTE KENNEDY OCHIENG

This bone I am holding here is a cow bone.

SHOTS

- *group of men carving bones*
- *man chopping bones with machete*
- *close man chopping bones with machete*

VOICE OVER

According to these men they are the best since they're versatile.
The job starts with chopping the bones in the right size.

SOUNDBITE CHOPPING

QUOTE CHARLES OWIGO

I'm shaping them, after splitting them.

SHOTS

- *man stirring through pan with boiling water*
- *close stirring bones in boiling water*

VOICE OVER

The pieces of bone are then boiled in peroxide.

SOUNDBITE STIRRING BONES IN BOILING WATER

QUOTE JACK ODUNDO

For us to decorate these bones we have to make them natural white

SHOTS

- *man who draws design on bone*
- *close drawing on bone*

VOICE OVER

The drawing of the design is done after the bone has been polished.

QUOTE KEVIN MAROWE

After it I come out and I draw the exact nature of the animal I want to draw.

SHOTS

- *wijd workshop in Kibera*
- *Jackie behind table with exhibition of artifacts*

VOICE OVER

13 people work in this workshop, which was opened 4 years ago by Jacky.

He learned the job from his in-law.

QUOTE JACK ODUNDO

I came to visit him with my sister during the holidays when the school was closed, and I learned slow by slow when the school was closed.

SHOTS

- *medium jewelry on table*
- *man drawing design on bone*
- *super wide workshop in Kibera*
- *wild garbage next to railway*

VOICE OVER

Now he sells them himself for 3 to 4 Dollars each. It is making the people here earn some 150 Dollars monthly. Which is enough to live on in Kibera, and it also benefits the environment.

QUOTE Zebra

So all the bones we're not using or are being thrown away. They can still do something good.

SHOT

- *close jewelry on table*

VOICE OVER

The jewelry is sold in shops in Nairobi, and can be ordered through Internet.

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