

G to G COLLECTION

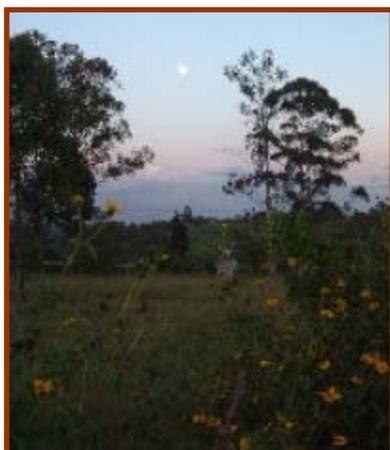
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Type of activity: **professional education**



GtoG Collection (meaning **Get Together Girls**) is a professional tailoring school for the girls who were hosted at **Anita's Home**, on the Ngong Hills, around 25km out of Nairobi city centre.

This project was started and implemented by an Italian girl, **Grace Orsolato**, who, after visiting Anita's Home in 2002, realized that the girls would have been the need of a professional education in a way that they might find a job and get economically self-sufficient to provide to their own needs and the needs of their families. Therefore, thanks also to her friendship with an Italian designer, **Roberta Vincenzi**, Grace inaugurated the school on 2010, February 25th.



nowadays the girls are 6, between 19 and 24 years, some of them being mother; they get a salary of around 3,5 euro a day. They are periodically trained by Roberta and other European designers, both on the tailoring techniques and on the models; they prepared a female clothing collection (bags, dresses, skirts and trousers) both for the Kenyan market and for the international one; they use the wonderful and colorful textile from Africa.



They create their clothes on demand, and they have a collection exposed in a small shop hosted at **Shalom House**; moreover **GtoG Collection** is exposing the collection to various fashion exhibitions in Europe and orders are coming.



Among the **future projects**, a new training by Roberta in 2012, January, a more functional arrangement of the room where they cut and saw and expose their creations, a new machine for cutting and sawing. Moreover, they are looking for a new shop closer to Nairobi, exposing their clothes.



How to help

If you want to support the initiative promoted by **GtoG Collection** you may either make a **donation** or **buy their items**: in both cases Grace will give you all the required infos.

Contacts

The tailoring school is hosted at Anita's Home, on Ngong Hills. To get there from Nairobi downtown by public transport, take the matatu (or the City Hoppa or the bus) #111 which heads to Ngong; from here you have to walk (or find a pick-up) along a trek on the hills for around 30'

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