ABSTRACT

This photography project, "Losing a Father's Guidance," examines the profound individual experience of coping with paternal loss, an event significantly impacting identity formation and life direction. The study aims to visually represent how the absence of a father not only triggers sadness but also initiates a search for new meaning and identity, and to foster audience empathy towards the psychological repercussions of this loss. The central problem addressed is how photography can effectively portray the complexities of paternal loss through the creative use of visual archives, narrative, and symbolism.

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