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Childrens Book Illustrator

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ABOUT



Vivian Uwakwe is a Nigerian visual artist and illustrator whose practice reexamines African oral histories through illustration and visual storytelling. Grounded in artistic research, her work translates inherited folktales into contemporary visual forms, treating storytelling as a living archive of cultural memory. She centres African characters, environments, and narrative traditions to challenge their absence in children's visual culture.

Her illustrated folktales have been presented through publications, public readings, and cultural activations in Nigeria, including at Alliance Française Port Harcourt. Through her practice, she explores questions of representation, narrative ownership, and how oral knowledge can be preserved and carried across generations.

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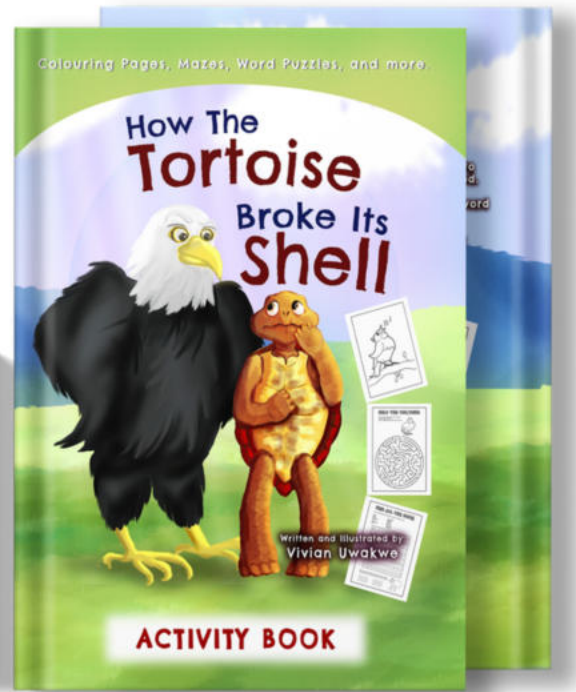
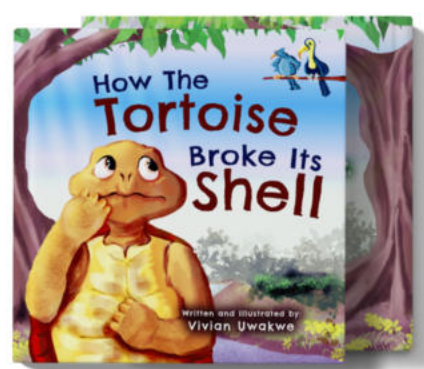
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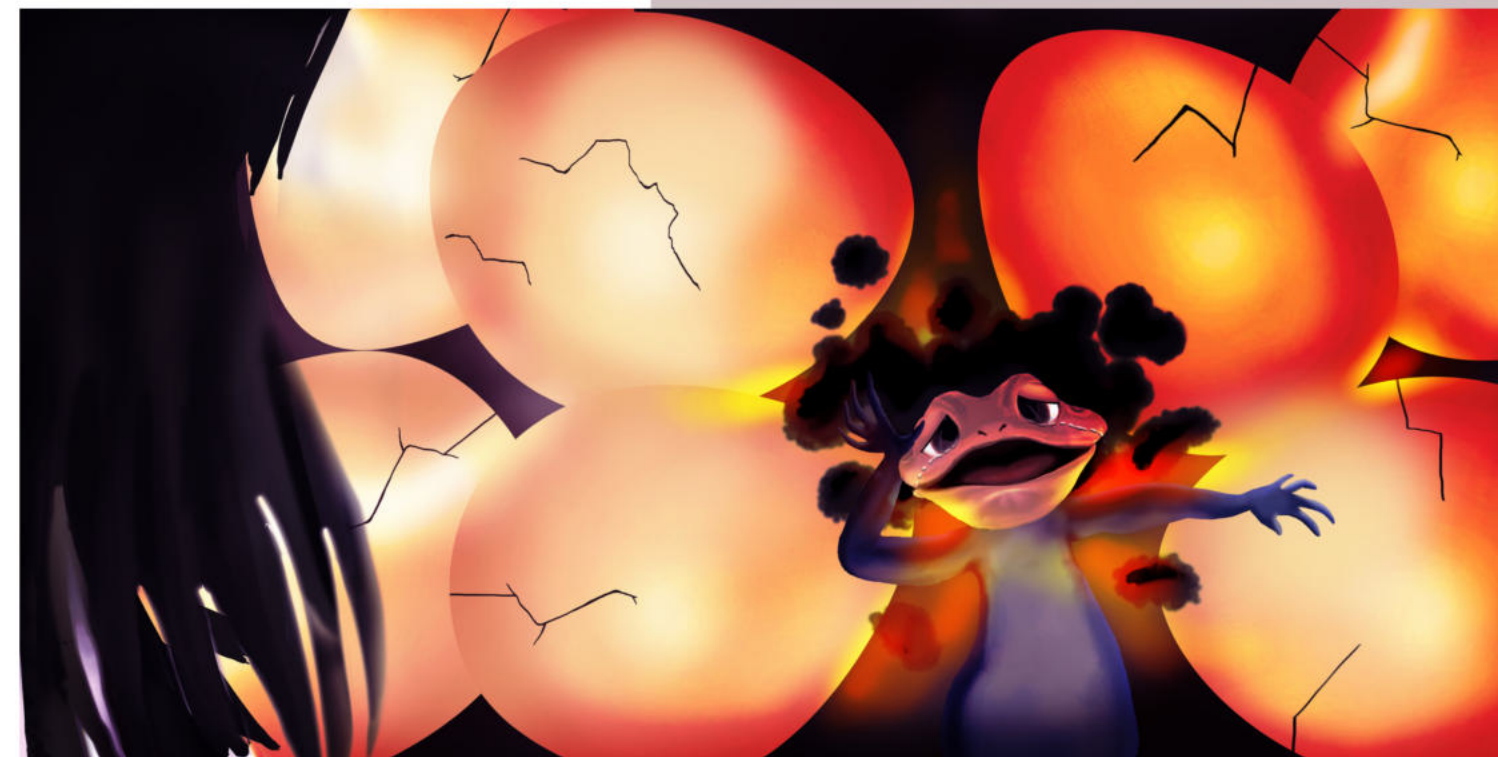
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How The Lizard Lost Its Hair



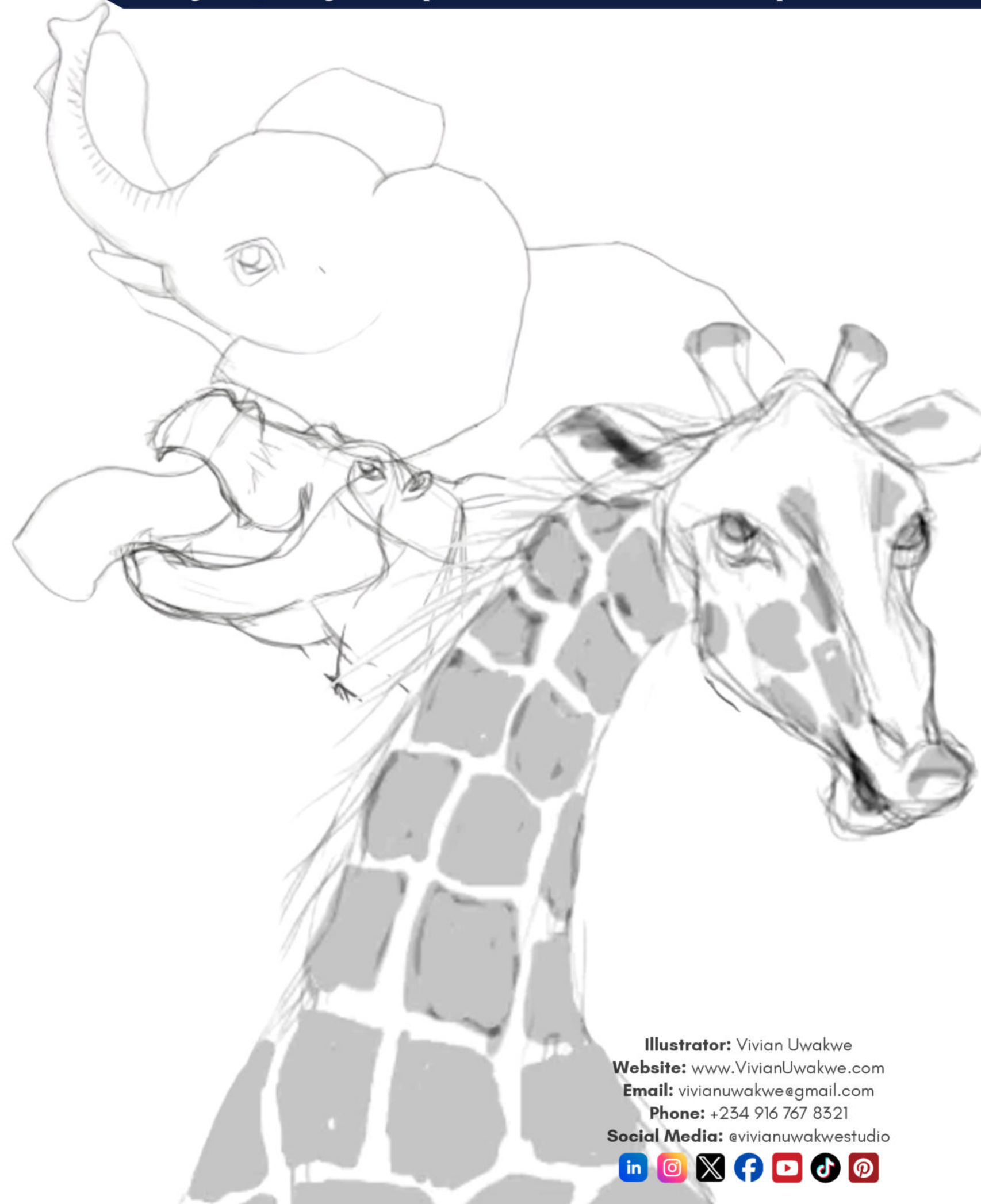
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A detailed illustration of a giraffe's head and neck, rendered in a sketchy, line-art style with light grey shading. The giraffe is looking towards the right. To its right is a small, golden, stylized human figure icon with a round head and four thin legs.

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