

Curatorial Statement

In celebration of our grand opening, **De's Art Den** is thrilled to present “**Flicker of Desire**”, the inaugural exhibition of our newly established gallery. This solo showcase features the emerging talent *Tam Ka-yau, Kary*, a distinguished fashion photographer and designer based in Hong Kong. A proud graduate of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University School of Design, *Tam* invites us into a world where the interplay of light and space ignites a conversation about human desire and identity.

This exhibition features a curated selection of 15 photographs, created between 2022 and 2024, that illuminate *Tam's* profound interest in fashion and the complexities of the human experience. Rich in vibrant hues, particularly the striking presence of red, these works evoke a sense of vitality, dynamism, and sophistication. Each image acts as a visual dialogue, urging viewers to explore their own interpretations of desire—a universal craving that often eludes definition.

Tam's artistic vision is deeply influenced by her dual cultural background and her passions for Chinese aesthetics and abstract expressionism. Her unique aesthetic is characterized by a painterly quality, masterfully orchestrated through her adept use of color, emotion, and composition. Utilizing both film and Canon digital cameras, *Tam* captures moments that are at once sensational and introspective, encouraging us to confront our innermost longings.

“Flicker of Desire” not only marks a significant milestone in *Tam's* career but also serves as a testament to the power of photography to provoke thought and inspire dialogue. We invite you to immerse yourself in this compelling exploration of desire, where each piece resonates with the potential for personal reflection and emotional connection.

Join us for the virtual exhibition of our gallery and engage in a shared experience that celebrates the art of seeing and the desire that flickers within us all.

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Founder of *De's Art Den*
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