

PRESS RELEASE



An exhibition by The Guild of Erotic Artists

Prepare to be seduced – The Guild of Erotic Artists is coming to town. For three days only, 20 members of The Guild of (unashamedly) Erotic Artists hit on Brighton with an artistic feast for the senses. So whether the thermostat in your passion pit needs resetting, or you simply want a gorgeous feature piece to mellow the mood to midnight, don't miss this exhibition at Brighton Media Centre's Basement Gallery in Middle Street.

Art for sale ranges from very affordable art prints and photographs, to original paintings in oil and acrylics and sensual sculptures and body casts. Mostly figurative work, this is softly sensual to classy erotic, so please leave the kids at home. This is art for grown-ups.

Don't expect a sedate stroll around a quiet gallery. Guild exhibitions bustle with artists and their models running daily demonstrations of their talents including painting, glamour photography and body casting. This is a great opportunity to meet and talk to a variety of artists specialising in different media.

If you'd like to inject some of your own personality and ideas into a piece, The Guild artists are happy to discuss and arrange future dates for private commissions. And what gift could be more romantic than to have your lover preserved in photographs, pencil, paint or plaster? Don't be shy, artistic licence will be exercised with discretion if required!

If you and your partner want to get in on the act, Hove-based Petra Joy (aka The Strawberry Seductress) specialises in intimate portraits of couples. Award-winning photographer, Mike Crawley will capture you in colour; John Keedwell or Douglas E will shoot you in moody black and white; and Dave Davies, a PADI qualified diver, can arrange to shoot you underwater... or profer your best features to Ken Clarke and have them cast in 3-D... the possibilities are endless.

A collective of artists, with some 100 members drawn from all over the UK, The Guild has a base and permanent gallery space at Beaumont Hall Studios – a converted fifteenth century barn near St. Albans. Practised exhibitors, they also have a large presence at Erotica's London and Manchester shows, The Festival of Erotique in Edinburgh and numerous small galleries and exhibitions throughout the country.

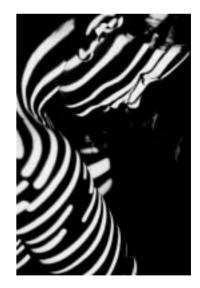
The first book by The Guild of Erotic Artists was published this year, featuring the work of 25 of its artists. Buy a copy at the exhibition and have it signed by your favourites. Enjoy a glass of wine and discover where your tastes in figurative art lie. Whether you are deeply romantic, feisty and fetish or brazenly burlesque, you will find it here. Me, I'm just dying to shock my interior decorator...

(by Carol Milligan)

Sensual Seduction, 13–15 May 2005 (12.00pm – 8.30pm), Friese Greene Gallery, Brighton Media Centre, 15-17 Middle Street, Brighton BN1 1AL

Adults only! Admission Free.









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Artists taking part: Angelica Paul John Ballard Wayne Bracey Chris Christoforou Ken Clarke Mike Crawley Dave Davies Petra Joy (Hove) John Keedwell Ray Leaning (Brighton) **Richard Murrin** CJ Munn Tessa Paul Vivian Pedley Raychel Perks Pete Rigsby Douglas E Silvee Georgina Tier Barry Tyler

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