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adies and Gentlemen, if I may have your attention please the stage show is about to commence! The entertainment today is brought to you by the multi-talented, theatrical troupe Torture Garden - all dancers and performers extraordinaire! And sharing the limelight on stage are the gorgeous Fantasy Boys, whose name says it all. Let them entertain you!

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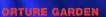
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- 19–21 November 2004, Grand Hall, Olympia, London



HE FANTASY BOYS. Following their raucous reception at last year's show, The Fantasy Boys have been invited back. Purely for reasons of aesthetic balance, you understand. Well, it simply doesn't do to have scantily clad maidens looking fetching all over the place without giving our female visitors something pleasing to view with subtle discernment! 07774 667354, www.thefantasyboys.com



are producers of Erotica's spectacular stage show. Their erotic, humourous, cutting-edge performances are legendary. They also organise the Erotica catwalk, showcasing the best from our fashion designers. When not at Erotica, TG run the world's largest fetish club and their own latex fashion label (see p24). Find out more at TG Stand F56. 020 7613 4733, www.torturegarden.com

SHOWTIMES

MAIN STAGE Four shows daily: 1.30pm 3.30pm 5.30pm 7.30pm

ON SHOW



ow ladies. You've seen the boys in action. Hopefully by the time you turn to this page you will have regained your composure. Because The Fantasy Boys have brought out a calendar and, you'll never guess what - they're all firefighters! Rescue me please and hose me down! I didn't realise firefighters were such good dancers.

If you can stand the heat, make your way to The Fantasy Boys stand between performances to buy a calendar and maybe have your picture taken with a couple of the lads. Now that would be a souvenir to show the girls at work when they ask how your weekend was! Stand F40.

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ON SHOW





he latest fitness craze to find favour with celebrities is now available to all. It's fun, it's different, and I can see firemen's poles being installed in homes up and down the country as new enthusiasts find they need to practise their moves after class.

For Your Eyes Only Pole & Dancing School was the first school of its kind to open in the UK and remains, after two years, the most successful and rapidly growing in the business. The tutors are skilled, enthusiastic and proud of the school's success which has attracted the likes of Sophie Anderton, Dannii Minoque, Kate Moss, Jo Guest, and Ben Shepard.

Courses are designed for beginners - not just for those who wish to join the table dancing industry - and cover stage presence, basic pole tricks, table dancing, social etiquette and deportment.



THE COURSES

The Diploma Course, normally on the first three Wednesdays of the month from 5pm for two and a half hours, costs £110. The Crash Course is held once a month on a Saturday from 12 noon for two and a half hours and costs £65. The Intermediate Course, for students with basic knowledge,

is held once a month on a Saturday from 12 noon for three hours and costs £80.

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WORKSHOP

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ON SHOW

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Fairygothmother Corset – Elegant Lacing

Leathers - RoB

Skirt, mask, choker & hairpin -

Gloves - Bare Essentials

Jacket - Fairygothmother

 rotica is giving you the chance to get into Guinness World Records! On Saturday

we are attempting to beat the world's kissing record. All you have to do to take part is grab a wristband (from the stand at the main entrance) and be ready to pucker at 3pm. We need 4,000 pairs of lips so if you have always wanted to be a record breaker here is your opportunity! Grab a partner and be ready to kiss for 10 seconds when we tell you and let's bring the record home to Britain! Ready... Steady.... Snog!

kissathon

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Why not go all the way next year and take your vows at the show? We will arrange a time in a private room with a marriage celebrant and professional photographer. Please make your intentions known to us by the end of August 2004. Call Chris on 01708 768000, chris@erotica-uk.com

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'Mississippi Strumpet' – Cybertart Fishnets – What Katie Did Veil & tiara – Fairygothmother

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personal tarot readings if you dare...







These beautiful Art Nouveau tarot cards are from the deck created by Antonella Castelli and published by Lo Scarabeo, Italy. Tarot cards are used as an aid to divination - the art or practice of discovering that which is unknown or is yet to happen.

hite Witch, Dr Tarona Gail Hawkins. is on hand to read your tarot cards - choose from a regular or erotic reading. Pagans have always known that sex is the strongest mover of magical energies and Tarona specialises in helping her clients to overcome sexual dissatisfaction and to stimulate passion. Tarona is taking orders for her magical creams and love potions, made to ancient recipes. These include erotic massage oils, creams to increase sex drive and lip balms for oral sex. If your love life could be more enchanting, consult Tarona at Stand B62. 01530 812520, www.sex-magik.com







'The Lover' card, in the centre of this reading key, may refer to an intense and magical union between two people. It may also represent a love triangle and a choice to be made, or the need to unify different aspects of your own nature.

elationship strategists, Sjofn are running free 45-minute presentations on Friday evening. Saturday and Sunday in The London Room just off the main hall. See below for times and topics. Each presentation is designed to show couples there is an alternative to the sexual recession... We are blessed with imaginative minds, responsive bodies, and a

huge capacity for joy. With these gifts, we can create the sex lives we desire. We can make rational, powerful, exciting choices for our sexual selves. The goal is ecstasy!

However, for many couples, heterosexual, gay or lesbian, young or old, the highs of a new and exciting relationship are all too soon replaced by the sexual recession. Routine, boredom, familiarity and hormonal changes frequently lead to a reduction in sexual desire and satisfaction for one or both partners. Current estimates indicate that 60 per cent of men and 40 per cent of women are unfaithful to their partner.

Everything we do as adults in Western society - driving a car, playing sports, operating a computer - has been taught to us. We were given instruction, and we've improved our abilities by practising those skills. The only exception to this pattern of learning is sex and relationships. Few of us have had the loving guidance, encouragement and coaching to enable us to become great lovers. But with a few simple skills, patience and compassion, we can all discover joyous erotic fulfilment far beyond the thrills and excitement of the sexually charged times many of us seek to recreate by finding new partners.

Each of the following presentations is desiged to show couples that there is an alternative to the sexual recession. . .

WHAT WOMEN REALLY WANT FROM THEIR LOVER(S)

This presentation explores the emotional, sensual and sexual desires and needs that most women strive to achieve, yet rarely do so, with their lovers.

CREATING YOUR MENU OF SEXUAL PLEASURE

The 80-20 principle applies equally to our intimate relationships as to any other aspect of our lives... in other words we tend to fall back on the 20 per cent of our wardrobe, culinary skills, sexual repertoire... and that becomes our routine. This presentation shows couples the importance of using the other 80 per cent adding variety to their relationships... and creating some ideas for their own menus of sensuality and sex.

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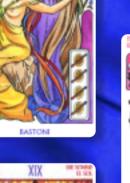
Most of us have five senses, yet rarely do we use more than two or three in our sexual activities... this presentation emphasises how much more intense love making can be, by either using extra senses, or denying the primary senses.

THE SIX SECRETS OF SENSUAL ECSTACY

As illustrated in the Karma Sutra the ancient arts of lovemaking follow a number of secrets... In this presentation we explore six secrets that can be used, without the need for spiritual ritual, to greatly enhance sensuality and sexual satisfaction.

THE GOLDEN AGE OF SEXUAL PLEASURE

Aimed at couples in their 40s 50s and 60s, dealing with problems of boredom, familiarity, and age-related physical problems. As with all the presentations, this will last for approx 45 minutes.









ON SHOW SJOTN ...pronounced 'shurfen' explained overcoming the sexual recession



Sandstone carvings from Khajuraho Hindu Temple in central India dating from AD 950. Tantric sexual practices were created by the Tantric sect of Hinduism, and were designed to be the ultimate form of sexual satisfaction.

About Sjofn

Sjofn takes its name from the Norse Goddess renowned as a matchmaker and a peacemaker who as well as helping couples overcome their problems, inspired them to passion.

Today, Sjofn offers private relationship and sexual coaching for heterosexual, gay and lesbian couples. Each session is tailored to suit the desires and problems the particular couple is experiencing. We also run exclusive sessions for small groups of women to address some comon concerns. Both couple and women only sessions are run at our exclusive and very private retreat in Lincolnshire.

Sjofn also run presentations, workshops and the more erotic playshops for organisations, companies and groups in the UK and overseas on a range of relationship, sensuality and sexual topics. For example, in November, in addition to the Erotica presentations we are also in Jamaica with our Playshops and at the opposite end... doing a relationship presentation for a group of chiropractors.

'Where there is love there is life. When life, love and sensuality combine there is ecstasy that will remain forever.' 01673 885858, Graham@inspiringpassion.com

"to masque the face"... is "to unmasque the mind!"

come to the ball...



The anonymity of the mysterious masked revellers is the ultimate seduction of Carnival



his year Erotica takes inspiration from Venetian Carnival and the infamous masquerades that sprang from it. Carnival's origins are lost in antiquity, but the wearing of masks is part of every ancient world culture and almost certainly

stems from the spring fertility rites of our agricultural ancestors.

Carnival in Venice has always taken place at the end of winter, when the populace was desperate for a good growing season and an abundant harvest. At its height in the Middle Ages, Carnival was a time of over-indulgence for the rich, but also a time when the rich gave food to the poor, so that every man, woman and child could forget the starvation and poverty they endured the rest of the year.

A feast for the belly, Carnival was also the feast of transgression and misrule, when the hierarchical order of society was reversed – when masters waited on their servants, when countesses dressed as prostitutes and stable boys dressed as countesses, when holy men gorged themselves at banquets and hedonism ruled.

During the eighteenth century the licentious festivities continued for weeks and became so out of hand that Carnival was banned by the French under Napoleon in 1797. It only really got going again in 1979 in a much tamer, tourist-friendly form. Masquerades were popular in London, too, during the eighteenth century with venues such as The Haymarket attracting up to 1000 revellers each week. These scandalous parties, available to everyone who could afford a ticket and wore a costume, cut across social classes and gender.

Women enjoyed a new sexual freedom. In a time of rigid social constraints, masquerades were the one place, apart from church, that they could go unescorted. Homosexuals too enjoyed a tolerance unknown in English society at the time. Needless to say an anti-masquerade movement sprang up in horror (and fascination) at newspaper reports of masqueraders' drinking, gambling and antics.

Cross-dressing was common for both sexes and gender tricks were a well-known occurence at masquerades. Costumes of historical, classical and literary characters were popular, as were satrical costumes of celebrities of the day, and also animal costumes that perhaps had their roots in ancient English pagan rituals.

In Venice, traditional mask designs are still most prominent and their design is strictly adhered to by mask makers. Many are comedy characters developed in the 16th century by the commedia dell'arte theatre, mainly masters (miserable despite their material wealth) and servants, or Zanni (foolish and fun-loving). We know Arlecchino (Harlequin) and Pulcinella (Punch). Another is the plague doctor with his enormous beaked mask who was ridiculed for his presumptious knowledge. Venice was ravaged several times by smallpox during the mid fourteenth century and masks at that time had the additional benefit of hiding its disfiguring scars.

The main function of a mask is to disguise – to conceal the wearer's identity so that he or she can adopt another, or choose mysterious anonymity. Masks allow you to explore outside 'the norm'. Often, the chosen identity will reflect the alter ego. Look carefully at your friends' costumes at fancy dress parties to see their 'other' selves. Because masks allow you to live your fantasies. In public. Sometimes anonymously. And you thought 'fetish' parties were a recent invention? **Come to the Masquerade!** Vanessa

Skirt, overskirt, choker, hairpin & mask – Fairygothmother Corset – Elegant Lacing Gloves – Bare Essentials

Marco:

Shirt & Jacket – Fairygothmother Mask – Mark E Garb, via Torture Garden



Ages of Elegance specialise in historical clothing, and uniforms for weddings, museums, collectors, film and television. So if you hanker after reproduction silk under garments or you dream of a period wedding, check them out. All clothing is made to order.



A jewel in the middle of Camden Town - Fairvgothmother is much more than Gothic Revival. Don't go without your credit card!

here is nothing new, so they say. And fashions do come round and around. Certainly many of the new season's fashions take inspiration from the past. I have never seen so many corsets and corsetted bodices. And who would have thought fishnets would have had such a revival? Some of our exhibitors, like Ages of Elegance, literally dwell on the past and use their specialist knowledge to recreate bridalwear and historical costumes with accuracy. Others take licence with traditional looks, updating them with bold modern fabrics and trimmings that seamstresses of old would have swooned over. I don't care if it's true that there is nothing new because one thing's for sure dressing up has never been so much fun!

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Cybertart, better known for cyber goth streetwear for both men and women, is having fun this season with burlesque-style partywear in PVC, leatherette and lace. The 'Mississippi Strumpet' (left and p9) has detachable bustles, a sexy underskirt and ballroom overskirts.



Bewitching glamour as always from Catwalk **Collection.** Their fabulous autumn/winter range has gowns, corsets, basques, skirts and jackets in a colour palette that glides from soft pinks and flesh through to deep red and inky black. Glossy satin, richly detailed lace and floating chiffon is cut to seduce. Exclusive designs and made to measure garments are a speciality.

historically

inspired period dramatics



tight lacing from restriction

to rebellion



fashion icon, the corset must surely be the most controversial garment in the history of women's fashions (save perhaps for Chinese foot-binding). This is a garment that exaggerates a woman's curves with a visual allure that works from all angles. The famous 'hour-glass' refers only to the front view. From the side, the corsetted figure makes an S-shape with the breasts pushed up and the hips pushed back. And from behind, the criss cross lacing over fine cloth or a peek of naked skin is tantalising.

Corsets in various forms can be traced back to 2000BC. The basic design of today's corsets has

'She likes to wear it after hours. In the dark. Outside. Long red coat. Shiny nails. Honking horns. Never fails. She likes to shiver at its touch. Hot. Cold. Straight. Round. Soft as fur. Tight as knots. Fun. Desire to be unbound. She likes to move. Within its hold. Pinching. Painful. Provocative. Feel of lace. Tickle of ties. Catching eves. The mood of night. Once she met a lonelv soul. Summer's eve. Lighter skies. Cock of head. A smile. A nod. Back to hers. Easy as pie.'

changed very little since Victorian times, when its adoption by Queen Victoria, the epitome of the straitlaced female, ensured that the wasp waist was the sine gua non of the woman of fashion. But the corset very nearly didn't survive the last hundred years.

1900 marked the swan song of the corset. In the years that followed the constant wearing and brutal tightening of corsets was, quite rightly, attacked by doctors and campaigned against by suffragettes. And it was very nearly eradicated by two world wars as women were drafted into heavy industry and agriculture and abandoned their restrictive clothing. For growing numbers of war widows and separated

Left: 'Marilyn' corset,

'Showgirl Knicks' and large fishnets by

Rawhide Corsets.



sweethearts it was unseemly to wear shapely garments. Corsets became smaller and more flexible and were eventually replaced by the girdle.

The early 1900s also saw the fashionable classes influenced by the fluid, Oriental-style costumes of the Ballets Russes. And when the American dancer Isadora Duncan took to the Paris stage in 1903 in bare feet and a Grecian-style tunic, fashion designers began falling over themselves to create looser more natural lines in women's fashions.

But the stunning visual gualities of the corset are unique and over the years it has had many revivals. In 1990 it had its biggest boost when that Material Girl took to the stage in a Jean-Paul Gaultier corsetted creation giving the corsetry industry something to smile about. And since then, the corset has been well received in countless period dramas and in 2001's visually sumptuous movie Moulin Rouge.

Vollers are perhaps the best known British corsetiers. Their creations, works of art in themselves, are based on the original patterns the founder, Harry Voller, created in 1899. The making of their corsets is basically the same as it was 100 years ago except that they no longer steam mould them. During this process steam was used to heat hand-beaten hollow copper torso forms of varying sizes and fittings. When the right heat was attained the inside of the corset was brushed with cold wet starch and wrapped around the appropriate form. The corset was then tied and allowed to dry. This gave the corset its final and permanent shape

Today the corset is a garment of comfort, not torture. And with its troubled social history behind it. the corset can at last be enjoyed purely for its glamorous and outrageous visual impact. If you have never tried a corset, but always wondered - hesitate no more. Go on. make a statement!

With thanks to Ian Vollers of Vollers Corsets, 02392 660150, www.vollers-corsets.com



silver glitter fabric. Left: 'Tiffany' corset in gold leaf. Vollers' corset styles are available in a range of fabrics and finishes and can be made to order.

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Above: 'Zoe' corset in





satin to leather... FASHION

From Velda Lauder's hand crafted 'nudepinup' collection. Nude' because half the collection is made of soft leather in flesh tones, and 'pinup' because the corsets are cut in classic 40s and 50s tyles with long lines, suspenders and bows, broderie inglaise and roses.



Above: 'Bondage Corset', with clasps and clips to hold whips and equipment from the new Domina range by Rawhide Corsets.

Below: Plunge corset from Fairygothmother. Fully-boned with spiral steels throughout the body and flat steels in the back for rigid support.



...fetish or glamour corset Chic

lady of the 1880s would have worn her corset under her clothes. In the last century the corset has fallen from grace, been rediscovered and enjoyed several revivals. It has now transformed into a socially acceptable outer garment for erotic display. Adored by several couture designers, its strong visual appeal ensures that the corset appears on the catwalk every two or three years - recently 1992,

1994, 1997, 2000, 2001 and 2003. Alexander McQueen is renowned for his avant-garde corsetry. Christian Lacroix's corsetted evening gowns are ultra-feminine. Thierry Mugler is a master corset creator who imbues his designs with fetish glamour. And Jean-Paul Gaultier's winter collection this year features a buckled leather corset.

Modern techology and the ever increasing range of sumptuous fabrics and trimmings give today's designers scope to push the boundaries with corset design. You will be spoilt for choice at our exhibitors' stands. Why not treat yourself to something made to measure to fit your curves exactly – only several inches smaller!



Above and left: 'Gina' is a flat-fronted corset with points on the neckline and beaded fringing, available in duchess satin, PVC and leather. Corsets, matching hotpants and necklace all from **Rawhide Corsets.**



Above: Scarlet and black latex waspie from Skin Two.

Right: Underbust corset in PVC with leather edging from Fairygothmother.





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a glimpse of stocking sensual, silky, silky, soft, sublime

Vanessa: Corset - Elegant Lacing Stockings - What Katie Did Sandals - Ultimate Footwear Hairpin - Fairygothmother

> Wrist wallet - RoB Boots - New Rock Boots

Marco:

othing turns heads like well-dressed legs. Stockings are back, and they're sexier than ever. After years in the wilderness, the cynical, cyclical world of fashion has begun to embrace stockings once again. But even in the darkest hush hush years of scarcity, there's never been a doubt about their universal erotic appeal.

In any clothing fetish there's a fundamental irony: getting your kit on creates a bigger thrill than being conventional and getting it off. But, while rubber masks and studded harnesses have never truly been part of the mainstream, stockings were once standard in the wardrobe of every well-dressed woman.

When nylon stockings were first introduced in New York on 15 May 1940, 72,000 pairs were sold in a day. Stampedes ensued in department stores throughout America. By the end of the year 64 million pairs had been sold and the Japanese silk market had collapsed. Stockings reigned supreme until the terror of tights emerged in the 1960s. By the simple introduction of a gusset, and a wrongly-perceived notion of comfort and convenience, the golden age of hosiery had passed. Stockings, in life as in erotic art, became marginalised.

But stockings are sexy in a way that tights can never be. Stockings leave you guessing 'will she or won't she?' Tights are binary. They're on or off. And yet a stockings enthusiast may well appreciate the sight of legs in tights until, paradoxically, he realises he's looking at legs in tights.

What do stockings say about the woman who wears them? Are they tarty and trivial, or the last word in sophistication? When Hollywood wants to portray true glamour, it adds suspense by adding suspenders. When did you ever see a Bond girl in tights?

There are probably as many theories about their erotic appeal as there are knitted loops in the average pair (there are about three million of those). For the connoisseur, the appeal of stockings is both visual and tactile. Stockings are soft and silky to the touch. Nylon lends a smoothness to the leg. It covers imperfections, adds colour, mystery and draws the eye upwards. The holy grail is the stocking top. With tights, hopes built high on nylon thighs are cruelly dashed on the rocks of Cape Gusset.

Back in the days when showing an ankle was the peak of risqué, the sight of a stocking top would have caused public outcry. Nice girls wouldn't dream of letting their stocking tops be seen in public. And so stockings evolved from simple legwear to a statement of the erotic. The further up the leg you went, the more they began to signify the sexy and forbidden. As morals matured so the fascination with

displaying stocking tops persisted. Until the start of the 1990s they were standard uniform for any top shelf title. But as in so many other areas of life, the last decade has seen a dramatic dumbing down. Producers of porn lost their appreciation of history and subtlety. Complete nudity took the place of the nylon narrative. The industry pushed models in the direction of dangerous cosmetic surgery but forgot the importance of make-up for legs.

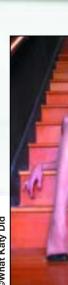
Now, at last, after many years of decline, the biorythms of fashion have decreed that stockings are back on the catwalk, the high street and in fashion spreads in the most respectable glossy magazines. Five years ago they had a shrinking five per cent of the overall declining hosiery market. Now manufacturers are struggling to meet demand.

Today the choice is bigger than ever. from the classic fully fashioned styles of the 1950s to the latest in Lycra-laden lace-top luxury. Stockings have never ceased to be sexy. As James Bond could testify, things are a lot more exciting undercover. David Bradwell, 01462 677970,

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Above: 'Madeleine' corset in black satin & seamed stockings by **Playful Promises**

Left: Fully-fashioned seamed stockings by What Katie Did Hosiery





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Above: Dark and

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Left: Foxy

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et us slip for a moment into role play mode. Seventeen Bond movies have been made in the last 35 years. Even those who dismiss them as escapist entertainment, can't deny their powerful sexual stereotypes. What man among us wouldn't like to be a secret agent/sexual dynamo? And women can choose between the long-suffering Miss Moneypenny, the submissive hostage role (save me, save me!) and the sexually aggressive female agents.

Who can forget Honey Rider (Ursula Andress) emerging from the sea in Dr. No, Jill Masterson (Shirley Eaton) meeting her fate in Goldfinger, or the KGB assassin in Goldeneye Xenia Onatopp (Famke Janssen) who crushed her victims to death with her thighs? The James Bond women have subconsciously entered our psyche. Remember Pussy Galore, Solitaire, Holly Goodhead, Domino, Plenty O'Toole ... The allure continues with Jinx (Halle Berry) and Verity (Madonna) in Die Another Day released last year. Which one are you? -

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'lt was recently estimated that one half of the world's population has seen a Bond movie. Albert Broccol Producer of Bond Films

Above: **Torture Garden** gamble their best shot.

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Pussy Galore and the Bond girls

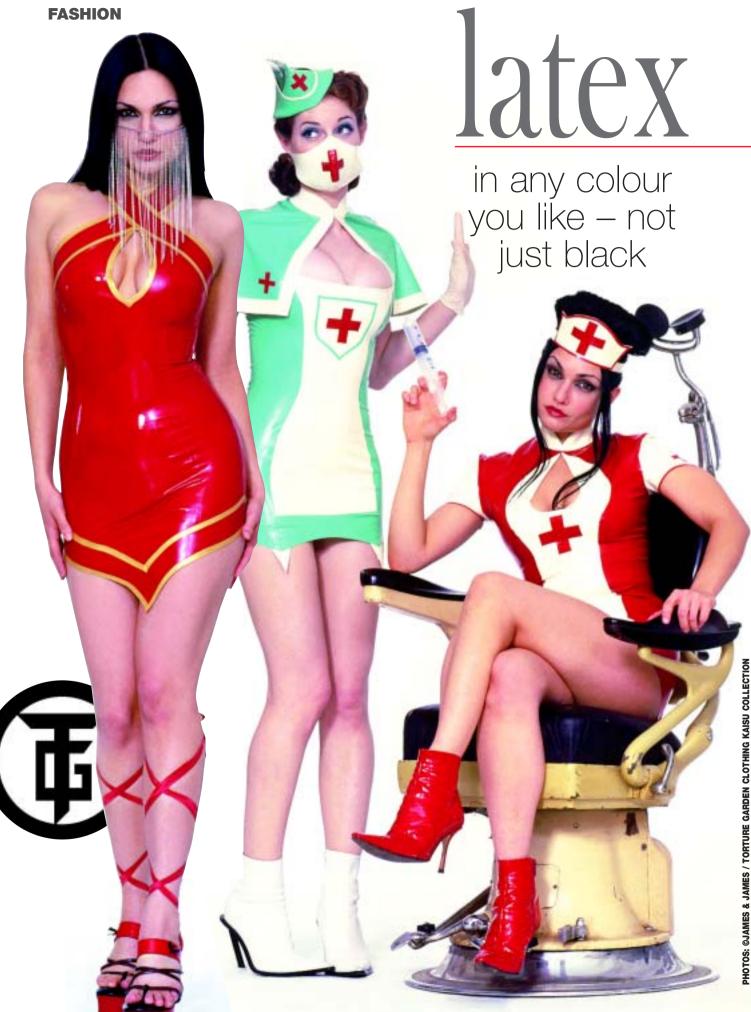


Right: Jed Phoenix of London extracting a confession.

Playful Promises taking the softly, softly approach.



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Above: Skin Two/Wild Designs making bold

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Opposite page: from Torture Garden's couture

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nlike most rubbers, latex is a non-toxic, natural polymer derived from tree sap. Most latex clothing is made from flat latex sheets (remarkably strong even when quite thin) and is easily coloured by a process of dipping into dyed liquid latex. But latex is also the most sensitive of rubbers, being readily damaged by oils, grease, abrasives, solvents, alcohol, plastic, dampness, ozone, sunlight and strong UV light. Treat your latex with due care and attention if you want it to last.

Allow garments to warm up if they have been kept in a cool place. To put on a tight garment dust the inside lightly with cornstarch, baby powder or unperfumed talc. Remove all jewellery and be careful with your nails as latex tears easily. Don't wear perfume or cologne. Avoid heat and naked flames. Polishing latex prevents it cracking and gives it a glossy shine. Wipe off any powder with a damp cloth. Spray the outside with a silicone-based polish and wipe gently with a soft cloth. After wearing, wipe with a soft damp cloth or handwash in lukewarm water with a tiny bit of washing-up liquid. Don't scrub or wring. Rinse and hang to dry naturally. Remove water

Lightly powder the inside of the garment, polish the outside and hang

Avoid any contact with dyed garments to prevent the latex staining. Latex also stains when in contact with copper, brass, bronze or nickel. But do choose garments with metal zips and reinforcements because plastic zips will eat away at the latex. Use tissue paper to cover any metal

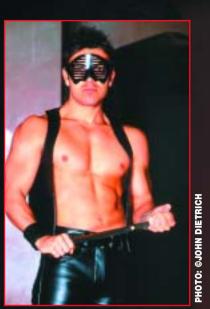
Hang on fabric hangers (rather than metal or plastic), or fold lightly and store in a large plastic air-tight container. Store in the dark. Water-based lubricants are not

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Above and right: from Abbeyleather, a unique range of wet-moulded leather masks, handcrafted collars, and leather roses that will stand the test of time.

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Mask – Mark E-Garb at Torture Garden Corset - Dark Garden Leather Gauntlets - Divine

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Below and left: a stunning range of quality leather fashions from Germany by Lederatelier Miceli.



Hand-crafted, made-to-measure, fetish leather goods from Top To Bottom. Shown here: their classic neck corset and pony tail hood.





OUT & ABOUT



ress-up-and-party fetish heaven at Club R.U.B's monthly venue, now in the City of London. Glam R.U.B. founder and hostess Kim sets the tone at the door. This lady dresses to thrill - silver leather, spray-on rubber, leopardskin on velvet – she's different and more gorgeous each month. Clubbers take their cue from her.

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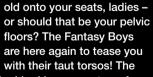
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lways a winner with the ladies, jewellery is now making big fashion statements with gentlemen too. And how much more special is a piece that's bought for you by your lover? Eroticgifts.org's finely modelled designs are beautiful, witty and very wearable. Their penis

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Kinky takes on traditional styles from Eroticgifts.org. Look for naughty new bracelet charms and a range of

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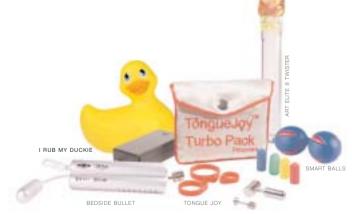
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ut some sizzle in your love life with some of the great adult games, novelties and curiosities on offer at Erotica. Playing games allows you to experiment with new ideas and push your sexual boundaries. Love games designer and manufacturer, Boxer Games have developed more than 10

intimate games for couples (and more players). The Kama Sutra (left) is an educational game that guides players to become skilled and confident lovers. Mantric (top) have kits bursting with sexy suggestions if you are feeling stuck in a rut. Monogamy, from Naughtygift, is a fun, relationship-enhancing game that helps couples re-experience each other. Ahh, remember the old days?



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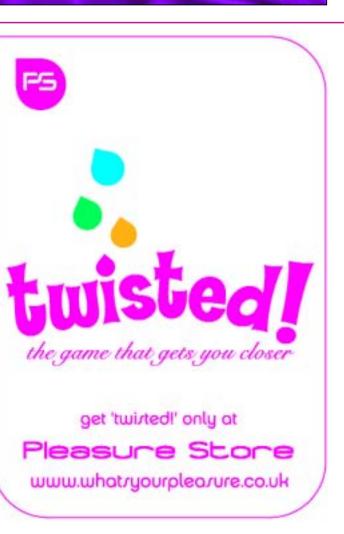
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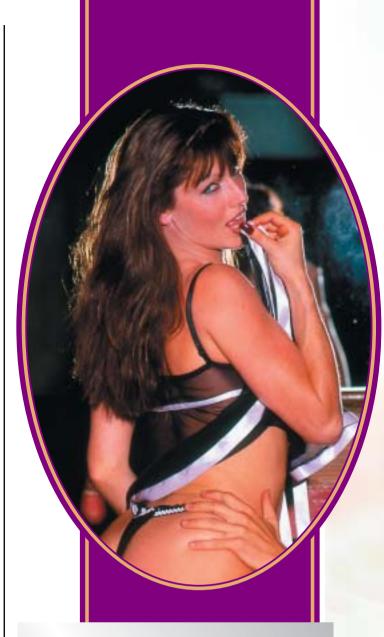


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eorge Cadbury began making chocolate in Birmingham in 1824. At that time the Victorians considered chocolate to be an aphrodisiac and therefore not suitable for a lady's diet... Strangely, now that chocolate is so readily available, it is we ladies who tend to obsess about it. Why is this? And why is good chocolate so irresistible?

Chocolate is attributed with being a stimulant, an anti-depressant and an aphrodisiac. In fact eating chocolate stimulates the release of endorphins that give you a high and three hormones: serotonin which makes you relax and theopromin and phenylethalamine - two mild stimulants. It is this same mix of chemicals in the body that produces the sensation of sexual arousal. Combine these effects with the energy rush from the caffeine, sugar and fat in chocolate and it's no wonder we can't get enough of it.

My wise old grandmother lived by the motto, 'Everything in moderation'. And how right she was.

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TASTE – Good chocolate tastes wonderful. But is it the complex flavours, or the effects of more than 300 natural chemical compounds that keep us coming back for more?

I personally indulge in a little bit of chocolate every day - but I do prefer dark (preferably 85 per cent cocoa) so I'd argue that it's not the fat and sugar I crave, but something in the cocoa itself

More research is needed to determine why it is that women, and not men, are obsessed with chocolate? Because we plainly are. We are not talking about a true addiction here. If we are denied chocolate for extended periods of time we don't get the classic withdrawal symptoms suffered by an alcoholic or a drug addict. But we do become damned irritable. And canvassing all the sensible. grown up women I know, reveals that each and every one admits to chocolate cravings.

Women report cravings for chocolate over any other food, while men yearn for high-protein foods like steak and burgers. Studies suggest that some women crave chocolate most when they are pre-menstrual, perhaps to correct unusually low levels of endorphins (feel-good chemicals). Sweet, fatty foods, including chocolate prompt the body to release endorphins. Others claim that at this time in our cycle we crave the magnesium it contains. Perhaps our cyclical hormone levels can take some of the blame. If forced to choose, I'd have to say that sex is better than chocolate - but you could always combine the two. As I write, my friend has just entered the room in her favourite T-shirt. Emblazoned across her ample bosom the rather appropriate slogan, 'Dip me in chocolate and feed me to the lesbians'. Now there's an idea! Is that chocolate melted yet?

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RELATIONSHIPS

Find cute confectionery and some very naughty chocolate gifts at Stand C40: hese are words most of us who have been with our partners for years will recognise. It is OK when it is just occasional, when the rejections of our amorous advances are few and far between. But what happens when one or both of you realise you have

become... well, frankly, uninterested in each other? When you'd rather go to bed with a good book and a mug of cocoa? What can a couple do to perk up what has not been perked for weeks, months or sometimes years?

TALK TO EACH OTHER. See if you can find out what it is that has caused this loss of sexual interest. Common reasons are:

Anger

Resentment of one partner by the other. Men might resent their partners because they stay at home looking after the children and 'drinking coffee with their friends all day'. Women might resent their men for 'never having time for them'. What can you do? Take a look at what you expect of each other. Are your expectations fair or realistic? (See *Perfect Mothers: Invisible Women*)

Fatigue

Sleep deficit can be a major problem. This is where you keep going everyday with just under the amount of sleep you actually need. The eventual result is that constant dragging feeling, difficulty waking each morning and exhaustion at night.

What can you do? Change your sleeping patterns if you can – go to bed earlier, regularly. Sleep off your sleep deficit on Saturday so that you feel better over the weekend. This won't work if you go out drinking heavily on Friday night!

Taking care of others

Constantly being available to children or relatives leaves you little time for yourself and the last thing you want to be at the end of the day is 'available' again to your partner! What can you do? Have some time off! Easier said than done, I know, but try. And when you do have time off – sleep first. People who care for family members, whether children or elderly parents, often suffer from sleep deficit as well as a low sense of desirability. Rest and pamper yourself first to make you feel more attractive and desirable.

Anxiety/Depression/Long term stress/ Alcohol or Drug overuse

If you recognise any of these, either for yourself or your partner, then get some advice. Your sex life is inevitably suffering but until these problems are sorted out it is unlikely your sex playtime will improve.

Feeling desirable

Take a long relaxing bath – light candles, pamper yourself – and yes, this applies to men too! Escape into a relaxing world of your own. Flirt – with your partner, with others if you dare! Seeing that another person finds you desirable is a sure way to feel that you still have 'it'.

Exercise

Go for a run, lift weights, walk to work. The release of endorphins when you exercise increases your sense of well being and boosts your energy levels so that you are much more likely to feel like playing with your partner.

Not Tonight Josephine

I've got a headache... Not tonight Darling... I'm too tired...

Boredom

Play. Remember that adult sex is really adult playtime. It is your escape from chores – not another something you ought to be doing. Dress up in some gorgeous lingerie or outrageous costumes and try a little role playing. Experiment with sex toys – even if you don't quite follow the accompanying instructions and end up in a dishevelled heap of squealing laughter. Laughter is an essential part of mature sex – after all it is an unpredictable, messy business which rarely goes to plan!

Share your fantasies

Tell each other about your fantasies. Watch videos to see what you both like and what turns you on. Read erotica. Books of short stories are good for a couple to dip into to find out what you both like (and what you definitely, do not, would not ever...!) Try the *Closet Desire* series (for couples) or the Mammoth Books of Erotica (mixed) or Herotica (for women) series. There really is something for everyone in the Erotica section of your local high street bookshop – straight, gay or bi.

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Time Together

How much time do you and your partner actually spend together as a couple? I'm not talking about how much time under the same roof but time spent as a couple enjoying each other's company. Long term couples tend to neglect the time to sit and chat, go out for coffee or a meal together, go to a club – all those things you enjoyed doing together when you first met. If you are not 'courting' then how can you expect the old sparkle to still shine?

Recommended reading: *Perfect Mothers: Invisible Women* by Susan Van Scoyoc published by Constable Robinson. *Closet Desire* (series of books) by Stephen and Susan Van Scoyoc published by IUniverse.)John Dietrich / Lola Art)7774 480855 www.lola-gallery.cc



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ismos and gadgets, computers and commuters, mobiles and mayhem... In our busy modern lives it is all too easy to forget the simple, sensual pleasures of touch, skin to skin. Massage is among the oldest of the healing arts. A therapist trained in one of its many forms (shiatsu, Thai, Swedish, reflexlogy...) can bring about pain relief, emotional release, and can stimulate the body's natural ability to heal itself. But in its simplest form, massage is innate. When you bash your elbow, or strain a muscle, you automatically rub it better. And with no formal training – just due care and attentiveness - massage can be physically and mentally relaxing, emotionally uplifting and incredibly bonding if shared with your significant other.

If quiet time together is in short supply, concentrate on specific areas. Tension is commonly stored in the back and neck, so have your partner sit on the floor between your knees as you watch your

Start your loving ritual in the bath with The Lover's Spa Kit (Deluxe) from The Mantric Movement. With scented bubble bath, coconut water scoop, sponge, tea lights, massage oil, glass massager, pleasure balm and special invitation card - who would decline?

favourite TV programme so that you can loosen the knots between his or her shoulders with your thumbs. Or perhaps give your partner a foot or face massage (use a luxury face cream rather than massage oil on the face). Feeling soothed and pampered goes a long way towards feeling sensual.

If time is yours to indulge, treat your lover to a long, lingering, full body massage. Take your time. The giving of a massage should be nearly as enjoyable as receiving one. Make the experience therapeutic, intimate, caressing, sensual - and preferably a combination of all four.

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'The way to health is to have a scented bath and an oiled massage

each day' Hipocrates 5BC



Funteasier's Fun Whips are not on the wrong page! Add one to your massage menu and send your lover sensuous with its soft as silk strokes.

The Amazing Hot Massage Kit from The Mantric Movement contains a reusable heat pack. scented massage oil and a guide to help you melt away the stress of the day and warm the air between you.

Make sure the room is warm and draft free. Spread a large towel over cushions or pillows and make your partner comfortable. Use oils to allow your hands to alide over the skin. Use flat hands on the back and chest, and cup your hands slightly on calfs and thighs. Apply pressure on the upward stroke, and only very light pressure on the return stroke. Make your movements flowing and rhythmic. Keep one hand in contact with the skin at all times for continuity of sensation. This is easier if you use a pump dispenser for massage oil.

Heighten the effects of massage:

• Add a few drops of essential oil to your base massage oil. Make sure you both like the fragrance. Oils that evoke sensuality and seem to have universal appeal are jasmine, rose, rosewood, sandalwood and ylang ylang.

• Ask your partner if they'd like to wear a blindfold. Masking one sense has the effect of heightening the others.

• Alternate the sensations by stroking your partner with a feather, a soft latex fun whip, by blowing softly over their skin or kissing and licking them...

Shunga - Massage Oils, Creams & Balms

Aphrodisiac Oils are made of natural ingredients and intensify sensation. Apply these warming oils freely over your partner's body, then with soft gentle blows, activate the oil's heating effect.

'Soft Moves' massage cream is rich, smooth and silky - designed to bring sexual energy to its peak. Shunga's Erotic Massage is an exclusive blend of cold-pressed oil that slides easily over the skin. Sensations Balm is playtime for your senses! Swirl these desensitising balms around the penis, or draw sun-shapes

around nipples. Contains Benzocaine to prolong a man's pleasure. Available from Apoll





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Let's not forget that the head can be massaged too. Fans of the original Erogenator, from Bodything, can now purchase a converter kit to add vibrations to the incredible experience.

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Roses



For the incurable romantic, A Bed of Roses (Deluxe) from The Mantric Movement has more than 200 scented silk rose petals, bubble bath, massage oil, a glass massager, pleasure balm. four tea lights and a special invitation card - now vou have no excuse for not making an effort!



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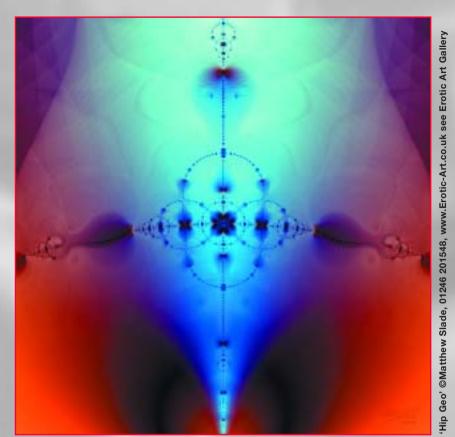
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'Cleopatra was reputed to have mastered her love muscle and with it the Roman Emperors Caesar and Antony'



the love muscle

o enhance your sexual sensation and enjoyment you don't have to fork out for a gym membership. Spend just a few minutes each day and a little bit of effort to make an enormous difference to your love life.

Eastern and middle-eastern cultures have espoused the benefits of sexual training for centuries. In the *Kama Sutra*, written more than 2,000 years ago, a woman who was able to hold a man fast using her vaginal muscles was esteemed as a 'Zaraotastrian', a 'cracker of nuts'. The Egyptian Queen Cleopatra was reputed to have mastered her love muscle – and with it the Roman Emperors Caesar and Antony. Exercising their inner muscles remains standard practice for both men and women in many societies today.

But in Western culture, where Christianity ensured that sex became a sin, many of the arts of love making have been forgotten. Thus the Chinese have the Tao, the Indians have Tantric sex and we have sex therapists!

PC exercises, or Kegel exercises, were developed (or rediscovered) in the 1940s by gynaecologist Dr Arnold Kegel to help his female patients overcome urinary incontinence. And ensuring good bladder control remains a major health benefit. One in three women suffer from incontinence, due to weak pelvic floor muscles.

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are you sexually fit? ...do you exercise your pelvic floor?

Often caused by multiple pregnancies and childbirth, this can also occur due to the ageing process, after menopause or simply through lack of exercise. Men suffer from incontinence too – especially as they age.

Where is my Pelvic Floor?

The pelvic floor is the set of muscles that contract rhythmically and involuntarily during orgasm. The stronger they are, the greater the orgasmic sensation. The main muscle which we can exercise is called the pubococcygeus (PC) muscle. Attaching to the pubic bone at the front and the coccyx at the back, it winds around the vagina or penis and the rectum in a figure of eight, supporting the bladder, the bowel and the sex organs in a kind of hammock.

For Ladies

A Toned Love Muscle

• Improves bloodflow to the genital area – and lubrication

Improves your sexual sensation and intensity of orgasm
Strengthens and tightens your vagina so improving your

- partner's experience
- Increases your sexual confidence and ability
- Can enable pre-orgasmic women to experience orgasm
- Facilitates childbirth and speeds recovery afterwards
- Prevents incontinence and prolapse

Starting Off

Always empty your bladder before doing PC exercises. (It is often suggested that you try to stop the flow of urine mid stream to find the correct muscle, but PC exercises should *not* be done while urinating.) You can also locate the PC muscle by putting two fingers or a dildo into the vagina and squeezing.

Try to isolate the PC muscles – all other muscles should be relaxed especially the buttock and stomach muscles. Vary your position to find what suits you: lying on your side, on your back with knees raised, on all fours, while sitting, standing – and making love! It doesn't matter if you can only do two or three at first. Practise little and often to achieve noticeable results in just a few weeks.

Basic PC Exercises

Imagine your pelvis is a lift shaft and your contracting muscles are the lift travelling up and down slowly stopping at each floor. Pull up a little way while breathing in, and hold at the first floor as you breathe out. Pull up a little more to the second floor (breathe in) and hold as you breathe out. Continue until you have reached your top floor, take an extra deep breath, and slowly descend to the ground floor, stopping at each floor on the way if you can. Do as many as you can without straining.
If you can't feel the different 'floors', build your strength gradually with slow deep contractions that you hold for a count of three before you release.

• Alternate these long slow Kegels with several simple contractions: contract and relax in less than a second. When you can do these rapidly in a pulsing motion this is called 'the flutter'.

As you gain strength you can increase your repetitions and work out a daily programme to suit yourself.

Resistance PC Exercises

Now try the exercises using an insertible to offer your muscles some resistance. This can be a dildo or a specially designed device for the job – there are several designs available. Practise on your partner's penis. He's sure to offer resistance – of the desired kind! Try masturbating while doing your exercises. Bringing yourself to orgasm will exercise your PC muscle but don't be lazy – regular orgasms keep the whole area healthy but are not a substitute for regular PC exercises.

For Gentlemen

A Toned Love Muscle

Guys, don't feel complacent. Exercising your pelvic floor will give you improved sexual sensation, stronger erections and better control enabling you to delay ejaculation and enjoy better orgasms. And if your partner regularly exercises her love muscle, as her vagina becomes fitter and tighter, you're going to have to keep up! It will also prevent two common problems of old age – inability to get or maintain an erection and urinary incontinence. So, now that I have your attention:

Starting Off

You can locate the PC muscle by stopping and starting your urine flow mid stream. (Don't do this regularly as it may interfere with normal bladder emptying.) Empty your bladder before you begin. Sit or lie comfortably and relax your stomach, buttock and thigh muscles. Tighten just the ring of muscle around the back passage as if you were trying to suppress wind. You should feel a squeeze and lift action.

Basic PC Exercises

Tighten and draw up strongly the muscles around the anus and urethra all at once, for a count of five then release. Rest for 10 seconds then repeat the 'squeeze and lift'. Breathe in on the squeeze and out on the release.

Alternate with five to ten short, fast, strong contractions. Repeat these exercises several times a day until you can do these exercises with ease. Continue to work out daily to maintain your strength.

Adding Resistance

Sit on the edge of the bath with legs apart. Encourage your penis erect. Drape a small towel over your penis and contract against its weight for 5 seconds. Then relax. Repeat 5 to 10 times. Practise until you can comfortably do several sets at a time.

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aving got the hang of the basic PC (or Kegel) exercises, ladies might like to try using one of several products on the market designed specifically to add resistance to their efforts.

> One example is the **Kegelmaster**. This stretches the vaginal muscles to a limit that you determine is comfortable (by setting the control knob) and are able to contract against. A well extended muscle that is exercised in any part of the body will always grow stronger. Gradually you should be able to extend and contract to a greater degree. Available from **Apollo**, **Stand D52**. **Apollo**, 0871 871 8871, www.apollosexlife.com

let your love grow

it's all about blood flow

orgive me if you are squemish, but we need to talk about blood. Or more specifically, about increasing blood flow to the genitals to stimulate arousal and enhance orgasm. It has long been understood that blood engorgement of the penis is necessary for a man to achieve and maintain an erection. It is now understood that a similar process occurs in the female sexual organs. The clitoris is not just a tiny nodule on the outside of a woman's body. That is just the glans of a much bigger structure that extends inside the body. During arousal, the whole clitoral tissue structure becomes engorged with blood, the surrounding muscles tighten and the clitoral shaft and glans become erect. Women experience a tiny clit hard-on.

Herbal stimulation

hile we're on the subject of blood flow, we must mention that creams, balms and lubricants are now available containing natural herbal stimulants to draw blood specifically to your sensitive parts. By doing so, these products can help to increase desire for both sexes, strengthen erections and help control premature ejaculation.



ID Pleasure is taking the lubricant market by storm. Designed to stimulate arousal and intensify sensation, ID Pleasure is a latex-friendly, silky smooth, long lasting water-based lube containing the natural sensation enhancer and sexual stimulant L'Arginine. Women users report heightened sensation and a delicious tingling feeling whilst men enjoy a firmer-feeling erection. Pick up some Pleasure at Stand A32.

The ID Lube Company, 01636 816034, www.idlube.co.uk

To increase blood flow to the clitoral area and heighten sensation, apply some Lip Balm before performing oral sex. And so he doesn't feel left out, apply Penis Balm to his penis to prolong erection and delay ejaculation. Both products are made from natural ingredients. Slip them in your Xmas stocking! From Stand E53.

The Mantric Movement, 0870 744 6314. www.bemantric.co.uk

Clit Pumps From top: Allure Sun Kissed Vibrating Clit Pump with vibration, £51.95 from PABO. Vibrating Clit Massager, £24.95 from **Apollo. Nipple Suckers** £11.99 from PABO, and The vibratiing Clit Seducer £30 from Mantric.

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Clit Pumping Increasing blood flow to the clitoris increases arousal. If this sounds far-fetched, consider that an American clit pump (The Eros Therapy) was given clearance by the US Food and Drug Administration in 2000 and is now

available in America on prescription for women with female sexual dysfunction (FSD). Clinical trials of this particular model have shown improvement in sensation, lubrication, ability to achieve orgasm and sexual satisfaction in both women with FSD and women with no complaint of sexual dysfunction.

Pump your clit to increase sensitivity (a freshly pumped clit is very sensitive and oral sex feels wonderful afterwards) and to temporarily increase size to give your partner a better purchase. There are many devices that can be used, from simple squeezy nipple suckers (just the right size for the job) to powerful batteryoperated vacuum pumps with in-built vibrators for added sensation. Some playfully tease, others are designed to get results. The key to clit pumping is little and often - light suction over increasing periods of time. Start with five minutes a day and only enough suction to be able to feel it. Always apply lubricant to your clit and to the inside and rim of the vacuum cylinder.

Dedicated, regular pumpers may even experience some clitoral enlargement. But too much suction can cause pain, rupture blood vessels and may damage erectile tissues. Go slow and be gentle.

The Erection Enhancer Pump, £37.99 from PABO. Pump it up, then slip on the restraining penis ring before releasing the suction to keep you hard longer.

regularly to increase both the

day or so for months) does

length and girth of their member.

Consistent pumping (every other

produce an increase in size, but

the pumping has to continue for

the size to be maintained and

you are advised to buy a good

quality pump for this purpose.

Advice for those interested is

not to overdo it. Pumping should

not be painful. Don't pump too

hard or for too long or you may

do yourself an injury!

Gentlemen

Penis Pumping The medical benefits of penis pumping have been acknowledged by the authorities in the UK. If you have problems achieving or maintaining an erection talk to your doctor. Pumping kits are now available on prescription. But you need not have a problem to pump. Some men pump occasionally to enjoy the sensation of extreme sexual arousal or to help control premature ejaculation. Many others pump

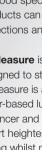
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SIZE SURPRISE! The average length of the erect penis is 5.9 inches, and ¾ of all men measure below 6.4 inches. Feel better now?

Hold It There!

Having achieved a nice firm erection, you'll want to prolong the enjoyment and not rush the finale. Cock rings and Arab straps are simple devices that effectively restrict the blood flowing back out of the penis. The two main positions for cock rings are at the base of the penis, either in front of, or behind the testicles. The later also prevent the testes ascending up into the body cavity when you are aroused. Here are a few examples: The Mega Stretch silicone rings should be slipped on once you are erect. These can also be worn just under the glans or head to tickle your partner. The lariat-style rubber ring can be adjusted for a perfect fit. Non-adjustable rings like the chrome bands (designed to fit behind the testicles) must be put on before you become erect. The leather and velcro Arab strap is worn in both positions at once. Eros, 01636 816034, www.erosuk.com RoB London, 020 7735 7893, www.rob.nl





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Ladies & Gentlemen

The Obvious

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One last way of increasing blood flow to your intimate parts is, of course, by simply sucking. It probably won't increase the size of your penis/clitoris (unless you line up a string of

lovers who do nothing else and don't mind having lock jaw) but for pure, unrivalled sensation you still can't beat





oral sex. If you need some pointers in the right direction, try 'Masterclass: Blow Jobs' or 'The Illustrated Book of Oral Sex' from The Erotic Print Society (see page 56). Apollo, 0871 871 8871, vww.apollosexlife.com PABO, 0901 814 0008, www.pabo.com

Member manipulation

enis pumps aside, for DIY penis enlargement try an ageold Arabian stretching technique called 'jelging'. This system of exercises, handed down from father to son through generations, teaches young men to apply a

'milking' action along the length of the penis from base to tip. This encourages blood into the three cavities of the penis which normally engorge during erection. Regularly practising this milking action stretches and expands these chambers, inducing the tissues to grow, creating both a bigger penis and erection.

DO NOT perform jelging on a fully erect penis - this could result in vascular damage. But a partial erection must be present to gain benefit from this exercise.

Apply lubricant to your penis.

 Make an 'OK' sign with your thumb and forefinger, and use them to hold your penis tightly at its base.

 Slide your fingers down the shaft, gently but firmly, pulling downward and outward along its full length. The head of the penis will expand with blood. Repeat with your other hand.

 Continue this milking action with one hand, then the other, in a rhythmic motion. If you become fully erect, squeeze harder, or stop and wait until you are semi-erect again. Pause too if you feel ejaculation coming.

 Exercise five days a week – 10 minutes daily the first week, 15 minutes the second week and 20 minutes daily thereafter at full strength. You will notice a big difference after a month or two.

We do recommend you use a quality lubricant while jelging. Try the range from Eros UK here is their new dropstop bottle design that doesn't leak or spill. Pjur Eros is at Stand E62 Eros, 01636 816034, www.erosuk.com



HEALTHY SEX

test drive Vibes

ere we review a tiny selection of new and unusual vibrators to entice you to try something different. With so many quality toys to choose from, one must simply experiment!

Mantric Bedside Bullet A powerful and versatile vibrating stimulator with three speeds and seven functions. The bullet produces deep rhythmical vibrations and is ideal for use during intercourse. The power pack can be used to power any sex toy with a small jack plug! £34.99 The Mantric Movement

Tantus Pro-touch is a silicone vibrator from American manufacturer Tantus. It is shaped to work as a G-spot vibrator for women and a prostate probe for men. Powered by three small watch batteries within a micro bullet vibrator. £29.99 The Mantric Movement

FunFactory SmartBalls A cool version of Chinese love balls for ladies. Made from a silicone/plastic composite the balls contain a weighted ball-bearing coated in soft rubber. Simply insert the balls and the movement of the ball-bearing stimulates you as you move around! (Holding them in place exercises your pelvic floor muscles too!) £17.99 The Mantric Movement

Natural Contours personal vibrators are designed to compliment the unique curves of a woman's body. Each three speed product is attractively packaged with batteries and instructions included. From £17 to £40

Magnifique (ivory), is sleek and tapered and great for a-spot stimulation!

Superbe (yellow), is contoured to sit comfortably against the pubic bone for erotic stimulation, or along various muscle groups to relieve tense, tired muscles. Petite (red), is 'purse size' yet powerful, and like Superbe, is designd for external stimulation.

Ultime (lavender). This unique vibrator delivers strong vibrations at both ends. It fits around the pubic bone stimulating the clitoris and the g-spot at the same time. Jolie (green), is waterpoof and packs a whopping vibration (AA battery not included).

The Mantric Movement and Apollo

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pleasure ZONE

Newsensations

o many toys, so little time. We hardly know where to start! So let us introduce you to four Erotica exhibitors who specialise in quality sex toys. Each has selected a few new vibrating toys that you may not have seen for our toy reviews.

The Mantric Movement

PABO

Campaigning to end lacklustre sex with their couple-friendly catalogue of quality sex toys and romantic accessories, The Mantric Movement stock: Las Vegas Novelties, TongueJoy, Lady Calston, Lover's Choice, Joy Division and their own brand vibrators and handmade glass toys. Mantric are at Stand E53. 0870 744 6314, www.bemantric.co.uk

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PABO's 132 page mail order catalogue has an

extensive selection of toys, sexy lingerie and

videos and DVDs. Purchase a 2-hour hardcore

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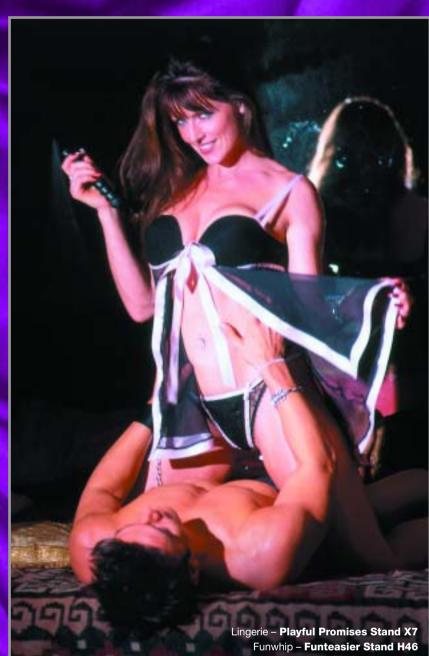
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Stand D52 - you'll be glad you did!

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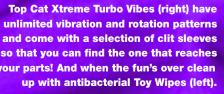


Richie Winter

Sole European distributor of the Top Cat products from American Latex, Richie Winter promise to show us the full extent of their toy range at this year's show - more than 300 products for singles and couples in colours and textures to suit every taste. Look out for their unique 9 volt vibes, Xtreme range and new antibacterial toy wipes at Stand D50.

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test drive Vibes

The Clitbanger

Specifically designed for stimulation of the clitoris, this multi-speed, hard vibrator is small in size (the head is 3.5cm wide and the body's diameter is only 1cm) but big on sensation - mercilessly tease your button! £19.99 PABO

Brush Massager Shaped like a make-up brush, this vibe fits neatly in your handbag without anyone knowing it's actually a sex toy. Fabulous on

nipples and a novel clit tease. The handle's very useful too! £19.99 PABO

The Purple Rain This slim-line vibrator with an ovalshaped tip has been produced with the female anatomy in mind. Pleasing

on the clit, but the Purple Rain's profile makes it the ideal G-spot stimulator. £19.99 PABO

Top Cat Twisting Bunny Pearl Reputedly one of the best bunnies on the market, this multi-speed, vibe has free-flowing twisting

pearls and soft ears that are twice as long as a traditional rabbits. £24.95 **Richie Winter**

Top Cat Bath-Time Bunny with Anal

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to be just that - totally waterproof. Multi-speed rabbit-style vibrator. £29.95 Richie Winter

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Top to Bottom design and make fetishwear from the finest leathers – Italian gloving lambskin to English bridle leather, each one hand picked for quality and performance. They take pride in their workmanship, paying great attention to detail, using traditional English saddlery skills combined with modern technology to create the very finest bespoke goods. Feel the quality at Stand J4.

Stand F66



Wave goodbye to bedroom monotony with Angles – four versatile shapes for wonderful love making. Stack, swap or use alone, inside or out. A godsend if movement is restricted. The main cover is luxurious but if you prefer oils, lubricants or want to re-create 9½ weeks, there's a cover just for you.

prime your pad for passion, or...

hen you head for bed at the end of a hard day, is your bedroom ready for love? Or do the day's troubles lie down beside you when you lay your heads on the pillow? What you need is a bedroom that changes the mood, a special space that banishes worldly cares as you step inside. A simple bit of re-decoration can help to start with.

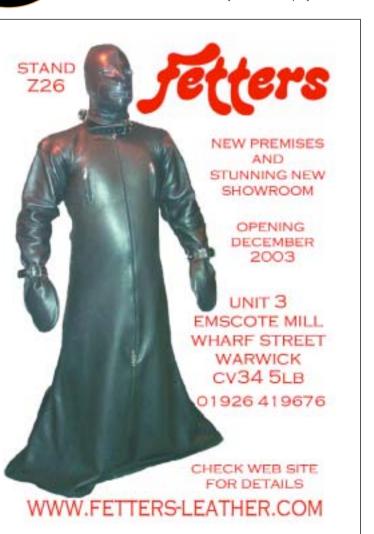
Colour and texture can hugely influence mood. Decide what makes you feel romantic, sensual and sexy? A satin and velvet boudoir in pretty pastel shades, or a full-on scarlet and black passion-pit? Change the furniture perhaps. Furniture designers at the show can provide everything from a feature lamp or chair to a fully-fitted home dungeon. There are cages, racks, benches, thrones and turntables, beds that transform for playtime, abstract shapes to lie on and mirrors in which to watch yourselves at play.

... or maybe a little more discreet

Give yourself permission to be a voyeur with this fold away mirror from Equator. This 2 ft square acrylic mirror in a steel frame, unfolds in seconds to give a view covering most of a standard double bed. The price of £64 includes VAT and delivery within UK.



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...create your own home dungeon!

do not disturb!

Fit a lock on your bedroom door – the kids will knock if they need you and you don't need the worry that you might have to explain yourselves! Choose cosy side-lights, or fit a dimmer switch (bare bums are sexy, bare bulbs are not). Candlelight is always romantic and candlewax can be fun, but never use tea lights without proper holders and be careful not to drift off with the flames still burning!

Plan ahead and prepare the space for the games you want to play. Remove the clutter, bills, paperwork, children's toys, dirty washing – leave no distractions to drag you back to reality. Unplug the phone and play your favourite music. Keep your toys and lubes to hand – maybe in a toy bag that can be easily accessed – rummaging in drawers can really break the spell (and check that locks have keys and batteries work beforehand). Make a date, set the scene and let the magic unfold.

On 12 December, Fetters, manufacturers of reputedly the best bondage equipment and furniture in Europe, is relocating to within walking distance of Warwick Castle. Their new canal-side warehouse will display every one of the 700 products they sell. Customers, old and new, are invited to join the Fetters team to celebrate their open weekend, 12–6pm, 13 and 14 December for coffee, wine and nibbles.



HOME FRONTAL



Beds With Sexy Attitude are lauching the Fantasy Bed at Erotica – a beautiful comfortable bed by day, with a myriad of co-ordinating attachments to help you fulfil your sexual fantasies by night. The mattress has a vinyl cover so that you can play hard but not dirty.



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orn in Bristol, England, in 1959, Julian Murphy is one of the few erotic artists who can truly claim to be originating a fresh form of expression. His hand drawn graphic icons which he describes as *Tantric* Pop Art are a cunning combination of eroticism and visual innuendo. Images that caress the cerebrum rather than the groin.

At the last count over 550 magazines and newspapers in more than 25 countries have featured his art. He has exhibited in London, Paris, Barcelona, Vienna, Hamburg and is currently at the new Museum of Erotic Art in Hollywood. In keeping with Erotica's theme this year, we have

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selected just a few of Julian's masks and his 'Venice II' top right) to give you an inkling of his highly original work. Find the artist, and be amazed at the ingenious of his imagination, on the Iconia stand in the Art Gallery. 👄 01749 831397, www.iconia.co.uk











Ken Clarke - Bodycasting

John Paul Ballard - Sketching

Simone Kay - Face & body painting

David Ayerst Davies – Glamour photography

this evening, find Simone in the Art Gallery. demo area See our artists at work in the Art Demonstration Area of the Gallery:

The Art Gallery

'Sensual

Abstractions' by Matthew Slade.

ART



painting sculpture photography

wealth of talent awaits you in our Art Gallerv this year. Feedback from previous shows indicates that you love to meet our artists - winkled out with much effort from their respective garrets, studios and lofts. Much bribery has been used to get them to finish and hand over their latest drawings, paintings, photographs, sculptures, and bodycasts, for your approval. If you are an artist and would like to exhibit at future shows, please speak to Gallery Co-ordinator, Colin Ballard in the Art Gallery during the show.



Paul Woods (above) at Art 2B Creative **Erotic.** recently founded The Association of British and Commonwealth **Erotic Artists** (ABCEA).





Len Gifford (Scorpion Sculpture) in action, and his lifelike painted fibreglass resin figures.



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'Has anyone seen a polo pony?' 'Number 3' from a limited edition print run of four polo drawings.

sourcing erotic where & & how?

Collaborative art - a bodycast by

Ken Clarke, painted by Saskia Deneuve,

The Art Gallery

photographed by David Ayerst Davies.



Pete Rigsby

ex and sexuality is used today to sell products from cars, to yogurt, to washing machines. Women's magazines, with few exceptions, have 'SEX' writ

large on at least one of their coverlines. And to be quite honest with you I am rather bored with it all. The more unsexy products are pushed as being sexy, the less inclined I am to buy them.

So where does that leave erotic art? You might imagine that the general overload of sexual imagery would be doing the erotic art market the power of good. Alas no. Clutching the latest little Versache bag is considered sexy (by some) but displaying a piece of original erotic art in your home - oh, Sacre Bleu! What would the neighbours think? This may be a peculiarly British phenomenon – and it's a shame. There is a great deal of very good art to be found and it's not all blatant or shocking. Erotic art should be approached like any other type of art. Some of it will appeal to you, some of it will leave you cold, just as it does in Tate Modern or on the walls of your local Pizza Express. The only person you need to please when you make that purchase is you (and perhaps your other half if they must look on your

purchase daily).

Would those of you brave souls who know your own minds and don't care what your friends think, please make your way to the Erotica Art Gallery at the front of the main hall. Erotica is proud to be the biggest venue in the country for erotic art with over 20 artists, sculptors and photographers on show this year. It is also



utumn is a busy time for artist Ray Leaning. In the run up to exhibiting at Erotica, he and his partner. Carol. produced the Showquide that you hold in your hands. Ray currently splits his time between painting and drawing in the summer months and graphic design in the autumn and winter. Like many of his fellow artists, finding a balance between the day job and the night job, or finding a way to make art pay is a constant dilemma. Ray's

CV is testimony to that. Born in Lincolnshire, 1959, early influences were Marvel and DC comics (from which he taught himself to draw). rock music, motorbikes and girls. Nothing's changed there then. When a one year art foundation course led nowhere, Ray became a crane driver at the local steelworks until he was laid off during the steel strike of '79. After a spell as a chef, he became a commercial sculptor moulding

life-size fibreglass dinosaurs for theme parks. When the company folded, he went back to art school and graduated in Fine Art Painting at Exeter College of Art in 1984. He tried being an art teacher and tutored for the Open College of the Arts before settling to graphic design where he has remained for some 18 years.

When not designing magazines, adverts and business cards, Ray retreats to his world of sensual ladies. His chosen media are pencil and conté on paper and oil on canvas. He publishes prints of the originals.

Ray has always erred on the classy side of eroticism, preferring to leave something to the imagination. His work explores the gender messages that sexy clothing suggests and accentuates. He teases a 'super-femaleness' from his subjects through their poses and posture.

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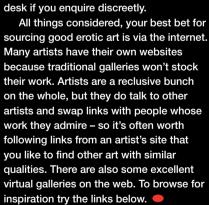
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After Erotica, the best venue to view erotic art is at The Guild of Erotic Artists' studios near St Albans. Examples here by Paul John Ballard, Pete Rigsby and Amin Didouh.

one of the few places that you can see erotic art in the flesh, so to speak. Very few art galleries in UK display erotic art. Those gallery owners who are sympathetic to sensual subjects don't find that they sell it in profitable quantities, although some do keep a portfolio under the

desk if you enquire discreetly.



The Guild of Erotic Artists. Well represented at Erotica, The Guild run regular event days at their studios near St Albans: The Association of British and Commonwealth Erotic Artists (ABCEA): The Erotic Print Society: www.eroticprints.o



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The Ken Art Clarke

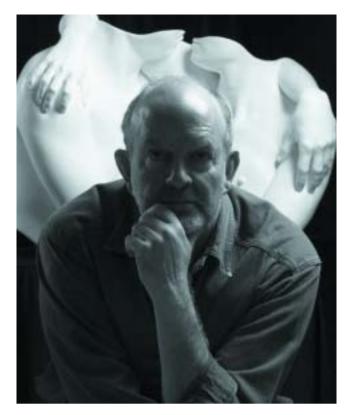
culptor and bodycaster, Ken Clarke is a familiar face at Erotica. You will find him in The Art Gallery, chatting easily to mesmerised onlookers while demonstrating his obvious skills as he slickly moulds a model's breast. I asked Ken just how does one get into his line of work? "I started a five-year apprenticeship in 1964 at Shepperton Film Studios simultaneously spening time at the Art & Craft College, Limegrove for my final City & Guilds. After my apprenticeship I spent an additional four years at Shepperton before going freelance.

"In the early days I enjoyed building sets in plaster for the big blockbuster movies and also taking moulds of the stars for special effects. The film stars at that time were Kim Novak, Richard Burton, Tony Curtis, Michael Cain, Oliver Reed, Peter O'Toole, Elizabeth Taylor and many more. I was also involved in the architectural side of set construction and design – columns, cornices, moulding, detailed architecture, Greek, Roman – all in plaster. This is where my passion for plaster started.

"I was self-motivated, self-employed and spent 36 years in the film industry working with many film stars on location such as Peter Sellers in *Pink Panther;* Christopher Reeves in *Superman;* Alan Parker, director of *Midnight Express;* Jack Nicholson in *The Shining* and Sigourney Weaver in *Alien* all of which required make-up effects, special effects, animatronics, bullet hits, cuts, blood, gore and more. My craft skills of mould making and casting were applied to most craft departments within the film industry, such as Set Construction, Special Effects, Animatronics, Creatures, Wardrobe, Prop Making, Sculpture and Body Moulding and of course Lifecasting.

"In 1982 I was asked to form a specialist moulding department to run alongside the great American make-up artist Rick Baker. He asked me to supervise the lifecasting of actors, artists, stunt men and women to form all the ape-like suits for the movie *Greystoke*. From this I progressed to movies such as the *Star Wars* trilogy and all the adventures of *Indiana Jones*, working with the great Steven Spielberg, George Lucas and, of course, Harrison Ford. For years I





had the privilege of working with a crew of finely tuned technicians on location around the world moulding bodies, film stars, actresses, glamour models, stunt men and women.

"Later I spent time teaching college students at degree level the arts of mould making and lifecasting. But I continued on action films making spare body parts for *The Fifth Element* with Bruce Willis, *Mortal Combat, The Mummy* and *Planet of the Apes.* My position was head of department. The moulding shop was the hub of the effects in modern films of the day. Everything came out of moulds. Today the computer has taken over and because of this I decided to start a company of my own, *Body Sculpture.* Now, with my wife Jenny who assists me, we create beautiful bodycasts.

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Cathy' a 21.5cm handmade sculpture finished in white acrylic (as below) or bronze resin. Limited edition of 100.



The Art Gallery



All photos of Ken and his work by David Ayerst Davies who is also exhibiting in the Erotica Art Gallery.

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"Some three years ago I opened a gallery, Beaumont Hall Studios, near St Albans, with Colin and Paul Ballard. The three of us are the founder members of The Guild of Erotic Artists which is growing rapidly. This gives us, and many other artists, a stage to exhibit erotic work.

"Jenny and I have exhibited at Erotica now for the past six years and have met many interesting people. We also do demonstrations which have attracted a great deal of business for Body Sculpture and it just seems to get better each year. Erotica has inspired me to spice up my work and makes it more exciting. I would love to thank all those who have helped me such as Savvas, Chris, Carol and Ray Leaning and the models who are many, but in particular Liz and Nadia for their support.

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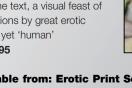
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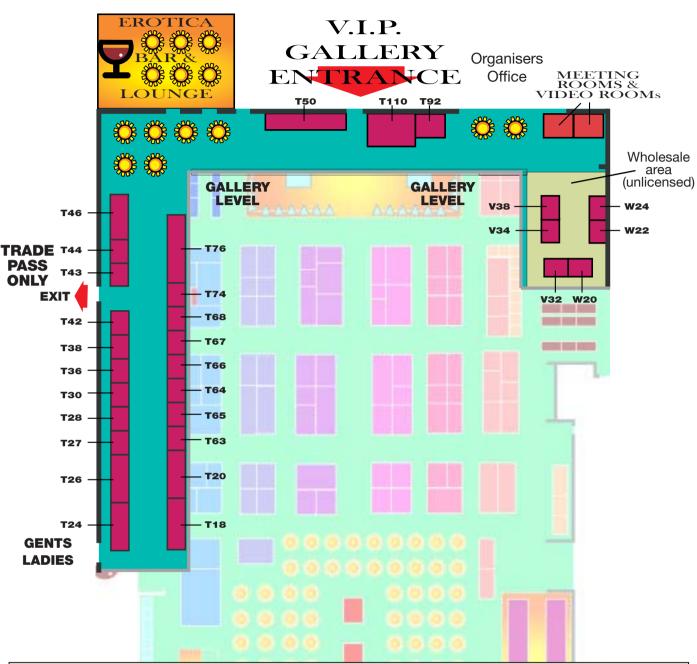


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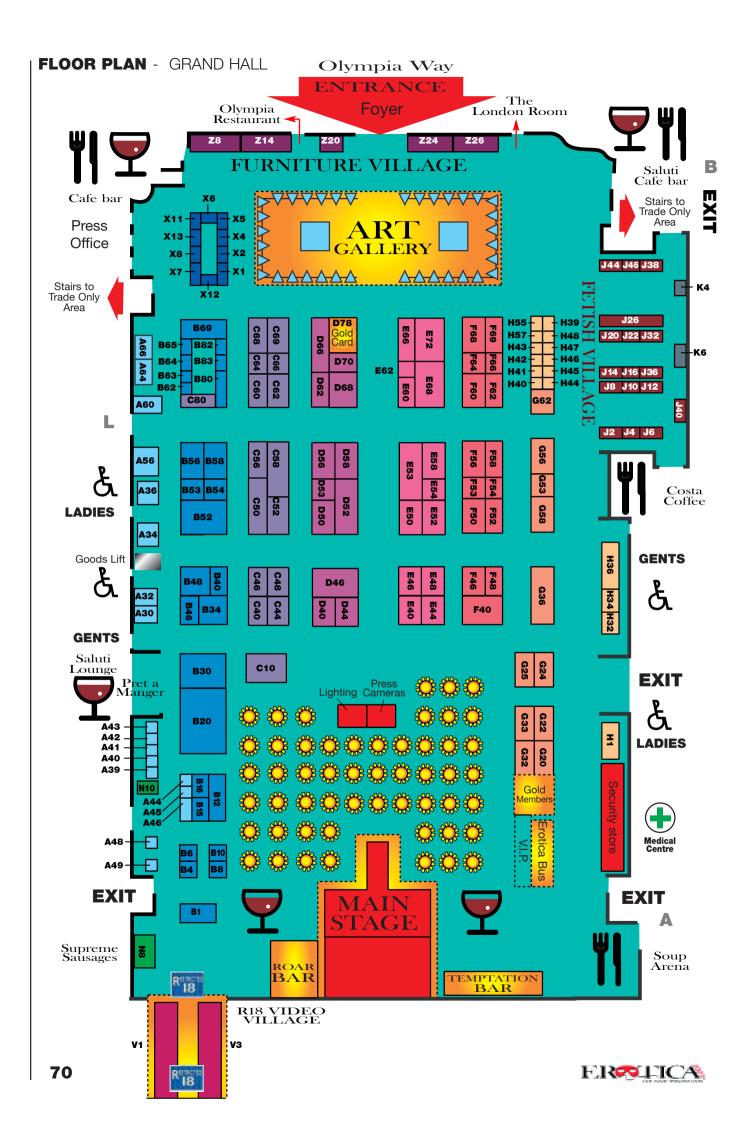
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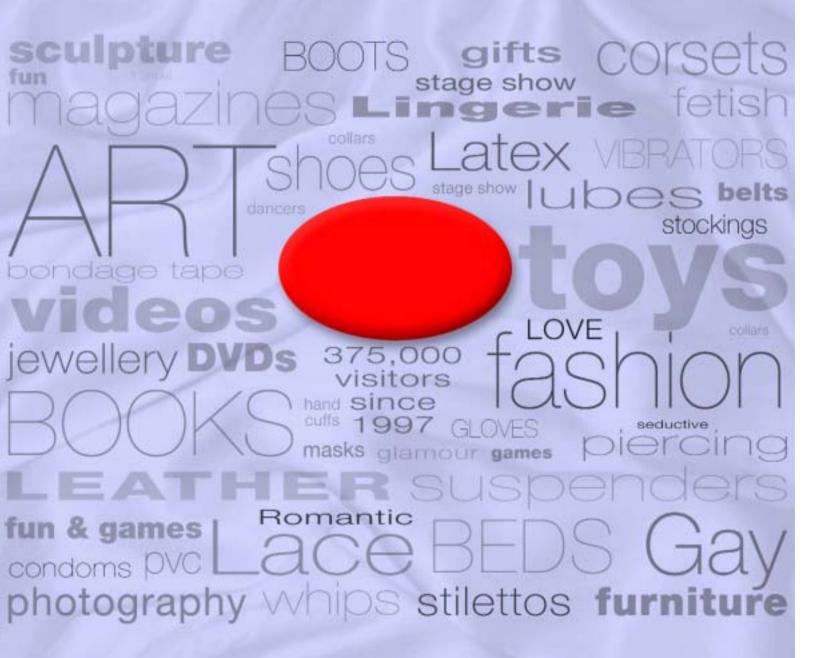
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