

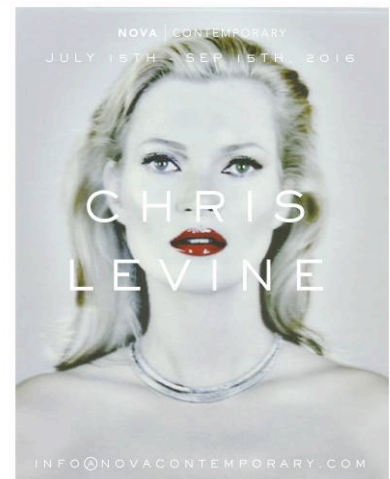
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Calendar News

The first Solo exhibition of the world renowned artist “Chris Levine” in Thailand 15 July – 15 September 2016 @ Nova Contemporary, Ratchadamri Road

Sutima Sucharitakul, Director and founder of Nova Contemporary, an international contemporary art gallery which aims to support art education and to encourage the better understanding of contemporary art among public, hosts the first solo masterpiece exhibition of **Chris Levine**, a British world renowned light artist. He is perhaps best known for producing the sensational portrait of *Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II*, the 14th Dalai Lama, Kate Moss and other world renowned brands such as Swarovski, Cartier, BMW, Chanel and Absolut Spirit. The exhibition is opened to visitors free of charge from July 15 – September 15, 2016 (Tuesday – Sunday) at Nova Contemporary, Ratchadamri Rd.

The exhibition is Levine's first solo exhibition in Thailand to support the study of contemporary art which impressively integrated modern technology with artistry of portrait and to provide students, professors, art lovers and public a great experience with masterpieces collection in 21st century. The exhibition will showcase his notable collections including “*Equanimity*” which is a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II in 2004 to mark 800 years of allegiance to the Crown by the Island of Jersey. It was repurposed in a new work, ‘The Diamond Queen’ to mark her majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. This art work is the cooperation between Chris and the London jeweler Asprey to demonstrate the recreated Queen's diamond diadem, worn at her Coronation in 1953. The diadem featured in 1,100 diamonds created by Asprey craftsman. This celebrated image also appeared on the cover of TIME magazine to mark this auspicious occasion. “*Lightness of Being*” is an image derived from the sittings for Equanimity which depicts the monarch with her eyes closed. This work is the most intimate official portrait sanctioned by any British Monarch and possibly her most famous portrait this century. It didn't have to be limited in an oil painting or a conventional photograph. It truly reflects the modernization and conveys the Queen's relationship with the new millennium. Levine's series of portraits of Her Majesty are now iconic and have come to define a generation. “*She's Light*” is a stunning portrait of Kate Moss, depicting her beauty in stillness. This work illuminates her in new aspect of beauty. The artist determined to ignore her as the supermodel, but he tried to bring her back just a woman and manages to show her in a new light.



The exhibition will showcase from July 15 – September 15, 2016 (free of charge). Gallery hours are Tuesday – Sunday 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, and by appointment at Nova contemporary, Ratchadamri Rd. For additional information, please contact Napassa Thonvut, Tel: +6690-910-6863, Email: napassa@novacontemporary.com

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