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# THE VERTICE PROJECT





**Galerie Miranda** is delighted to present The Vertigo Project - a series of 20 handmade dye transfer prints by Irish artist Jean Curran. This work has received critical acclaim in the New York Times, and it is the first time the full set of works is now available in France to celebrate the 65th Anniversary of one of the top films of all time as voted by American Film Institute, The British Film Institute, and Sight & Sound.

A work of editing and re-presentation that takes key scenes from the original *Dye Imbibition Print* of Alfred Hitchcock's Vertigo, which was released In Glorious Technicolor, the body of work reveals the cinematographic artistry of the film in a fresh and novel way.

Produced with the full co-operation of the Hitchcock Estate, Curran first edited select frames from a rare original Technicolor dye imbibition print of Vertigo from 1958, and then printed them using the same dye transfer process by which the movie was made. Editing 20 still images from the hundreds of thousands of frames that make up the film, Curran switches from moving pictures to still prints to create a medium-jumping work in its own right.

Vertigo was first released on the 9th of May, 1958, and is now largely recognized as Hitchcock's greatest achievement. The story follows a police detective (Jimmy Stewart) who falls obsessively in love with the woman he has been paid to follow (Kim Novak). Suffering from traumatic vertigo Stewart fails to prevent Novak's character from jumping to her death. Stewart then spirals into an ever darker state of despair until a chance sighting of a girl who resembles Novak reignites his passion and unravels a complex web of deceit and crime.

The film's underlying themes of voyeurism, eroticism, and dark emotions are portrayed delicately and with great intelligence through Hitchcock's rigorously composed shots while his use of colour moves the story in masterfully layered compositions.

Recognized by film critics and connoisseurs for the care with which each scene was composed, the single frames and set-ups of Vertigo reveal Hitchcock's aesthetic not just as cinematic but as photographic, prefiguring and influencing the work of contemporary artists from Eggleston to Cindy Sherman. Brought to new life in Curran's richly luminous dye transfer prints The Vertigo Project is a fitting 65th anniversary tribute to the film.

### Jean Currans Meticulous Dye Transfer Process

"The process separates a full colour image into its red, green and blue colour channels, dyeing each channel in its corresponding subtractive colour, so either cyan, magenta or yellow and registering these three layers together to make a full colour print.

It is an extremely labour intensive method of printing, yet the rewards are worth the effort.

In order to make the work I first took out a copyright license with the Hitchcock Estate and then an editing agreement with Universal Studios, CA, in order to access the relevant source material from which to make the prints.

Having exhibited in solo shows at Danziger Gallery, New York, Roberts Projects, L.A. and Galerie Stefan Vogdt, Munich, I am really delighted to have this opportunity to bring the work to the French market with Galerie Miranda to celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Vertigo".



# **Print Specification & Price List**

- The Vertigo Project is comprised of a set of twenty original dye transfer photographic prints.
- Each selected frame derives from the original camera negative of Vertigo which was made in 1968.
- Each print is 20" x 24" with image size within the border 14" x 20.5".
- Each single image is in an edit an of 10.
- There are 4 full sets of the 20 images & 1 x AP's Set (one full set has been sold to date).



## 12. (Full Edit) 20 x Dye Transfer Prints

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#### BY JEAN CURRAN

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  - 1. Jimmy Hanging
  - 2. Ernie's Restaurant
  - 3. Kim in Ernie's
  - 4. Hitchcock Cameo
  - 5. Kim in the flower shop
  - 6. Jimmy in the gallery
  - 7. The Curl
  - 8. Golden Gate Bridge
  - 9. Kim (Against the Railings)
  - 10. Redwood Forest
  - 11. Jimmy & Kim in the Stables
  - 12. Falling from belltower
  - 13. Jimmy Vertigo
  - 14. Jimmy Street Scene
  - 15. Kim Street Scene
  - 16. Bergdorfs
  - 17. Judy Bedroom
  - 18. Kim in the green light
  - 19. Bell Tower
  - 20. Final Shot









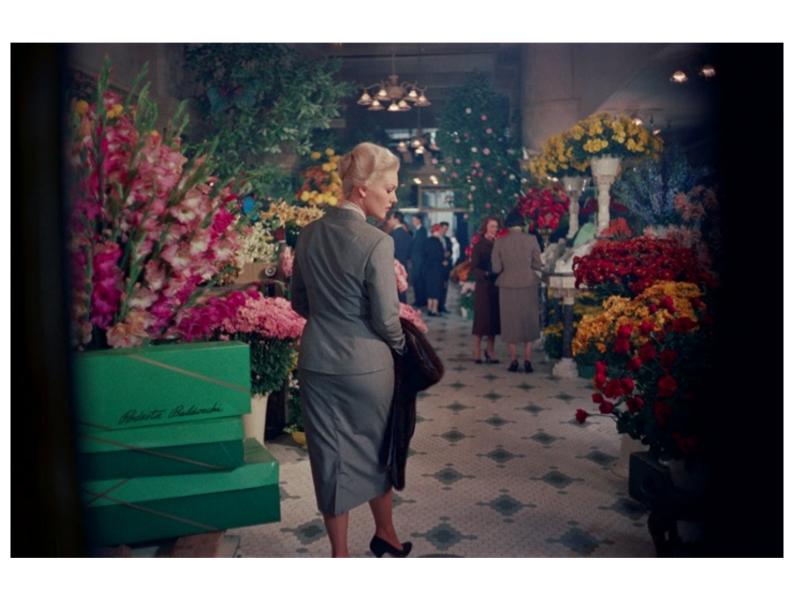




















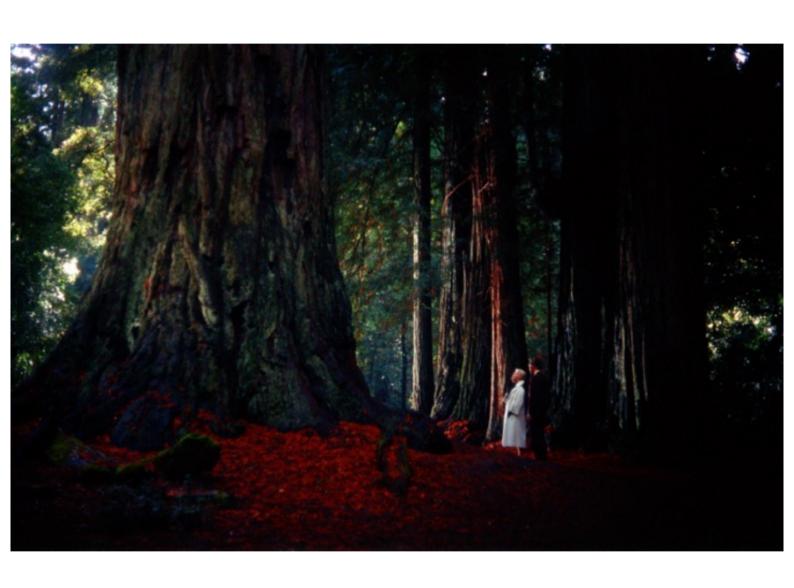






















































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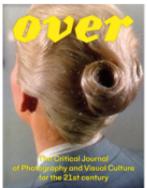




















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