



**Bizarre or trending subjects? Catch a break with our curiosity of the week. The strange human sculptures of British photographer Chloe Rosser hide a moving message.**

Photographer Chloe Rosser, based in London, approaches photography experimentally. Ever since her teenage hood, in the dark rooms of her school, the artist has been playing with the medium, and building project following her inspiration. *Form and Function*, two series dedicated to the study of the human body, are the results of those numerous attempts. “*I’ve always been interested in the human body, how it works and what it’s like to have one*”, Chloe Rosser tells us.

Although the photographer decided to make the body her favourite subject, she could not find a way to capture it in a unique way. “*I wanted to make people see it in a new light*”, she says. “*I was cropping and altering my images but nothing stood out until I took an image of the back of a torso, where no head or limbs were visible. It was just a cube of flesh and it felt so strange to look at it*”. Chloe Rosser’s pictures are not photoshopped, merely representing surreal, bent bodies.

## All flesh and blood

“*The figures could be any of us*”, the photographer explains. “*They explore how they interact with each other or the environments*”. Inspired by sculpture, especially by Berlinde de Bruyckere’s creations – an artiste creating strange human bodies out of wax – she plays with the macabre and the absurd to deliver a strong message. “*Without identifying their features, we do not make the assumptions or judgements that we usually would when looking at a portrait. Instead we connect with these figures differently*”, she adds. “*I have photographed people who are female, male, gender fluid and transgender... In Form & Function, they are all presented equally because we are all of the same flesh and bone.*” Strange and faceless, sometimes leaning on each other to find a fragile balance, the artist’s sculptures celebrate human diversity.

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