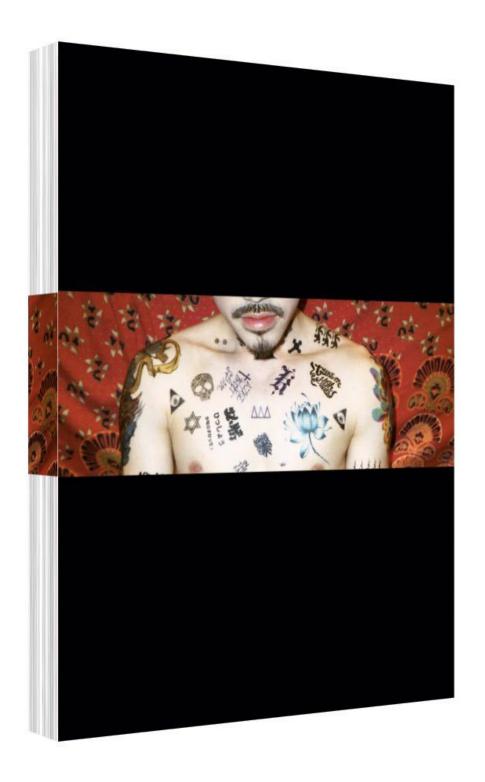


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### Lin Zhipeng aka No. 223

Naming himself "No. 223" after the police character in Wong Kar-Wai's cult-classic Chungking Express, Lin Zhipeng also adopts a sense of the Hong Kong director's poetic, dream-like atmosphere as well as the emotional ambiguity of many of his film's characters. Born in Guandong in 1979, Lin Zhipeng graduated from Guandong University of Foreign Studies with a major in English. In 2003, he created his blog "North Latitude 232, where he published everyday pictures accompanied by short texts. His blog about Chinese urban subculture received millions of views and made him popular among the web community. He has since exhibited his work widely in Asia and Europe, while also having published photography books in Taiwan, France, Canada and Japan. He lives and works in Beijing.

### The Book Project

Naming himself after the police character in the movie Chungking Express, "No.223", in his photos Lin Zhipeng combines Wong Kar-Wai's movie poetic and dreamy atmosphere, resulting in mysterious and almost lonely characters. Lin usually frames erotic, often insolent and chaotic scenes, portraying his friends and models in a punk and rough way. Together with LGBTQ+ related themes, fruits and flowers often become the fil rouge in his works; symbol of playful sexuality, they hold a close connection with the subjects of Lin's portraits. Sex, as well as myriad patterns are mixed with an emotional ambiguity, making the viewer feel uneasy and intrigued all at once. No.223's images are saturated with a soft sense of carefreeness, yet at times melancholy, amidst a hedonist lifestyle going against the entrapments of expected social norms. His "simple, violent, and immediate" photographs proclaimed him a leading figure in the recent Chinese photography scene.

223 once said that labeling or selecting 1, 2 or 3 of his photographs as the best ones would be extremely difficult because each one speaks about a memory, an intimate moment from a period in his life. The beauty of a photograph is not just the image, with its composition, colors, albedo, and perfection or simplicity — it is also an entanglement of actual memories, and of the sensations the image can ignite.

#### **Book Details**

Selected works by Lin Zhipeng (No. 223) in high-quality print on 600g cardboard.

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Dimensions each card: 21 cm x 14.8 cm

20 pages / 1 text-page / 19 Photo-cards

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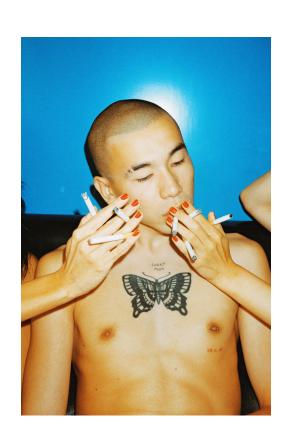
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