



In Search for Meaning

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- Insightful fusion of art, poetry, and spirituality
- Rare and inspiring combination of art and philosophical depth
- Offers a new way of looking at and experiencing the world
- Beyond aesthetics, enriching lives with timeless wisdom directly applicable in daily life

In Search for Meaning is the first published book by artist-photographer Felisa Tan. This striking collection covers most of her major work for the past 15 years, many of which were never published before. Consisting of 72 photographs exquisitely made and sequenced by Felisa herself, unveiling spellbinding and strange mundane subjects from her extensive travels and light experimentations at home, she has created a record of the way she experiences the world after undergoing more than a decade of evolution as an artist and human being.

Felisa's photographs reflect honest, clear observation, and an intricate and layered way of seeing, as she watches life unfold itself before her eyes. Her exceptionally loaded ways of looking at the world are reflected in her handling of space, composition, synchronised colours, shapes, and framing, and rather imperfect subjects and places. Common things — graffiti, carnivals, twilight, lonely scenes, and empty spaces — are all transformed by her subtle luminous vision into an extraordinary teacher, filled with ageless Presence and wisdom. The consistency of her proclivity towards certain kinds of places and moments of time, and deep insightful rendering of these moments, present us with an extension of her present tense, reading of meaning, and judgment of what might be of timeless importance to the readers in every phase of their lives. Furthermore, with her ability to grasp the little details that come her way as both an individual and a representative of a larger human and universal context, this rich compendium of images in both natural and human settings transport the viewer into the heart of childlike wonder and a lush infinite Universe.

Felisa Tan is a self-taught artist-photographer based in Jakarta, Indonesia. Beginning with making photographs at home and posting them regularly on DeviantArt in 2007, photography has become a language she chooses to express her love for the world with. Appreciating beauty as it is, she aims to keep her work as accurate as possible to her real-life encounters. The breadth of her subjects is a reflection of her sensitivity to perceive beauty, even in the most ordinary places. Through her work, she hopes to inspire her audience to pause and cherish the myriad blessings that might otherwise be left unnoticed in a world of noise.