

RAQUEL DE CARVALHO

“SÉANCE” AW25



Brazilian-born, London-based designer Raquel de Carvalho makes her London Fashion Week debut with the “SÉANCE” AW25 collection, an exploration of fashion as a séance—where the act of creating and wearing garments becomes a ritual, bridging the physical and spiritual realms.

Inspired by a handmade sweater made by her late grandmother, the collection reflects Raquel’s deep connection to memory, craft, and the unknown. Deconstructing vintage wool sweaters sourced from across Ireland, she reshapes them into bold, unconventional silhouettes that challenge traditional notions of knitwear.

The collection features skirts, corsets, tops, and shoes, with a highlight to an upcycled stiletto boots featuring functional pockets.

Raised in a family of mediums, Raquel's creative process is deeply rooted in spirituality. This connection is embodied through intricate handmade techniques, including monoprinting with crochet, machine knitting, bead embroidery, mending, upcycling and foil coated knits, and experimental dyeing—some of which she developed specifically for this collection. Her inspirations range from Nan Goldin's photography and Syrian lingerie to witchcraft.

Blending spiritual exploration and innovative craftsmanship, the AW25 collection presents a unique vision of knitwear—one that transforms heritage into something powerful, contemporary, and deeply evocative.

I dedicate this work to my grandmother Clarice. May the love I put into making this collection reach you whenever you are.

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