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Xin La Video Booth Tour

the view from my seat

A couple of weeks ago I had part in this fantastic conceptual film screening about a character bar. The Xin La Video Bar Tour was a project by Shana and Vito Jr. artist Bing Yan Ma, and it was that rarest of birds, an experimental art event that was truly a success. An afternoon program of short films was keyed to the on-screen DVD screens, their order synchronized with stops along the route and punctuated by performance art pieces and chaotic happenings. I'm a fan of art that attempts such pluralistic literal and semiotic experiments. It makes the familiar strange, transforming and folks into tourists in their own hometowns, voyeurs in their own lives, thereby lodging there (okay not into a position of inquiry and distanced curiosity that is the envy of all art historians and critics). Do it the next time one comes around if you get the chance, it's worth your time to get to know what you don't know about where you've put down your roots.

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Tulane Grad Theory

L. Fred DeLarge Haunting Head

My colleague Chris from Tulane has a theory about L. Fred Freud and I've been eavesdropping ever since we had coffee on Wednesday. It goes like this: the size of your head in your portrait is a reflection of his perception of your intelligence. Women in general have smaller heads, just look at Kate Moss! Even Queen Elizabeth got the treatment, that her head is the crown.

Kate Moss by L. Freud

L. Fred Queen Elizabeth

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All Rage, All the Time