

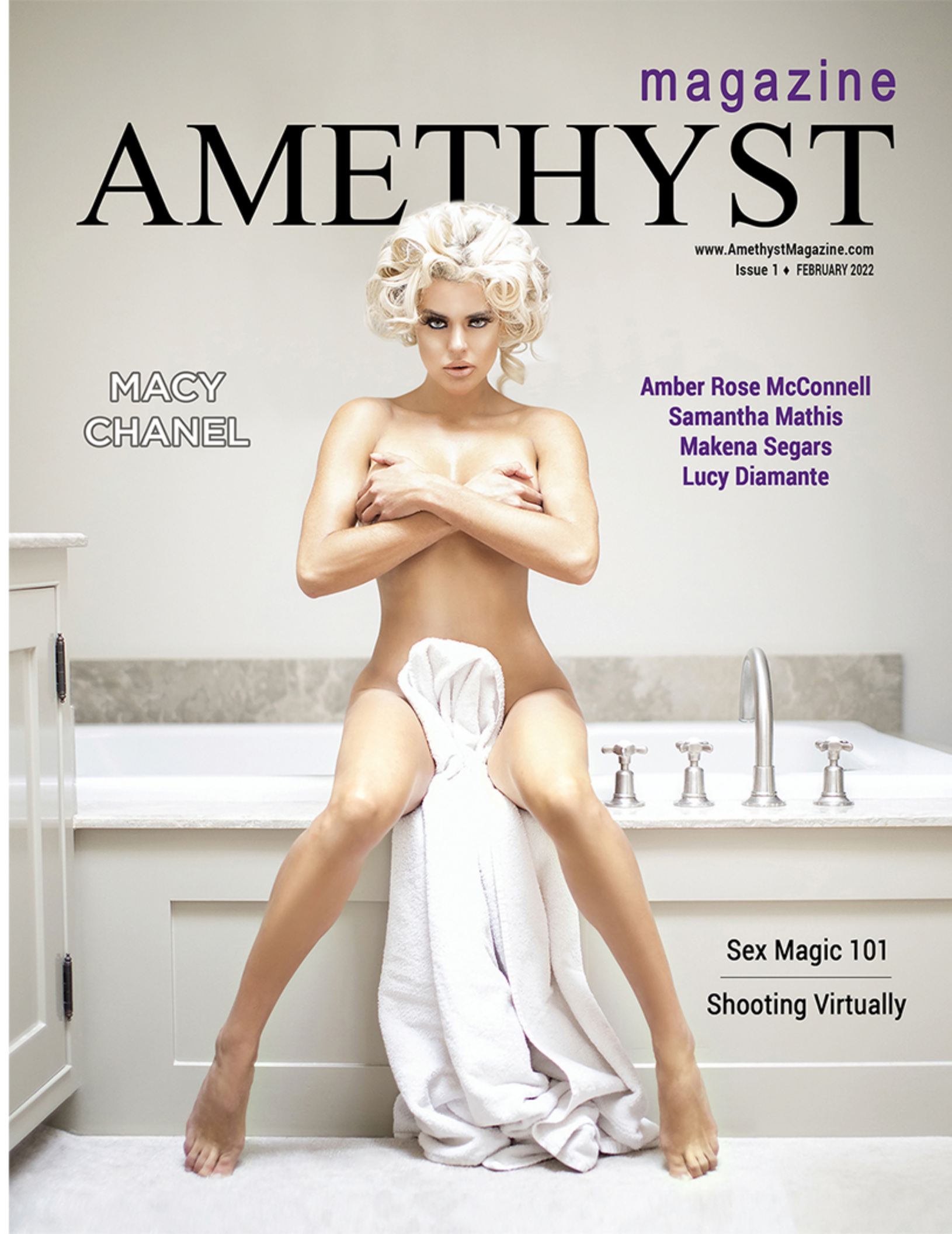
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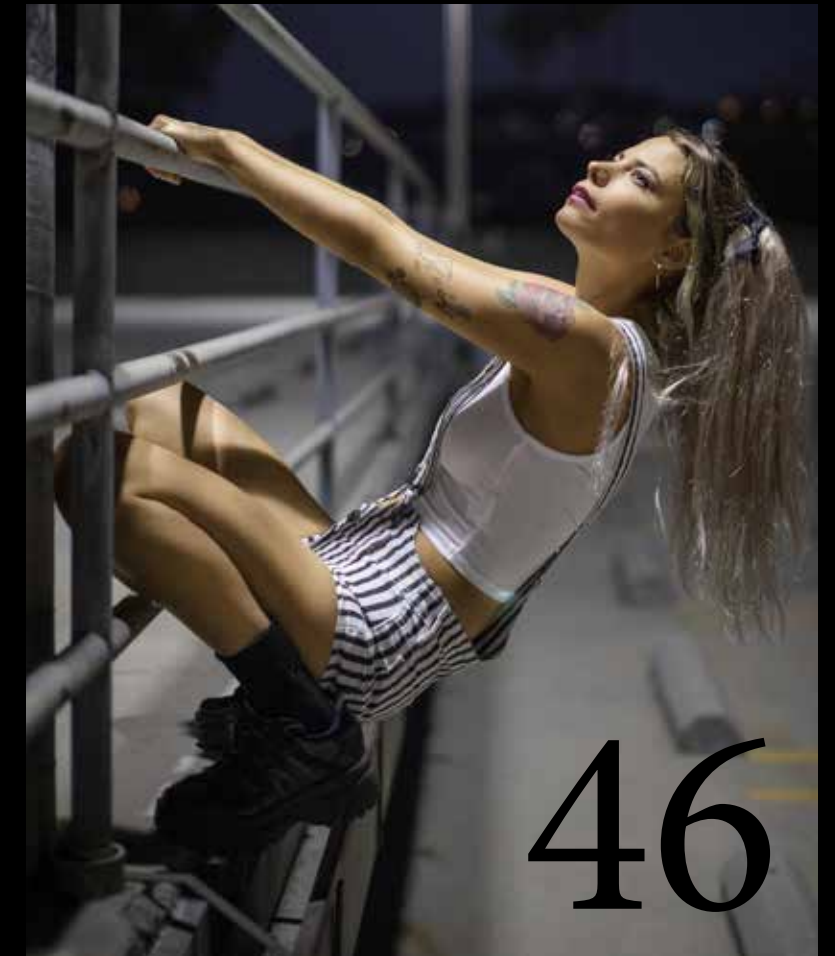
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FROM THE EDITOR

When I first thought about creating a fine art magazine after many years, I received a wide variety of responses. Some people who knew about the online magazine world advised me not to do it. It would be difficult, they said. I continued my research. I looked at print and digital magazines I liked or had ever liked. I even discussed publishing with someone who had created and launched a very successful fine art magazine. Eventually I zeroed in on themes that would make this magazine unique.

Here it is. Welcome to the first issue of *Amethyst Magazine*.

Some of what people had told me was true – launching a magazine takes a lot more time and effort than I had envisioned, but I stuck to my vision. With the help of some very smart and creative people, you are now looking at the first of what I hope will be many issues to come.

My vision for the magazine was certainly not just a collection of nude photos. Inspired by sculpture and light, I wanted the magazine to be sexy and stylish. I wanted the photography to be creative and artistic and have strong fashion/editorial styles.

I also wanted articles and interviews to supplement the photos. Advertising will come in time. It was important to me to have the magazine not just online as a download but supported by a feature-rich website and the ability to have each issue available in print. All in all, I think the effort has been successful so far.

I hope you enjoy this issue and that you will look forward to future issues and to our website!

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Sex Magic 101: 3 Steps to Manifest Your Deepest Desires

By Leola

I will never underestimate the power of getting clear on my deepest desires and masturbating about it. This is sex magic. The intention is to harness life force energy to create opportunities and experiences that your soul craves.

The concept of sex magic is supported by The Law of Attraction. This energetic principle relies on the belief that all things are energy and that like energies attract one another. As above, so below. When you think positively (gratitude, pleasure, trust, etc) , you are a magnet for more positive opportunities and experiences. And yet, negative thinking (fear, shame, guilt, etc) creates more negative circumstances.

But what does this have to do with your sex life???

When do you feel the most ecstatic? When do you feel the most pleasure? When do you feel the most connected to something outside of yourself? When do you feel the most like a god or goddess? For many, it's at the height of sexual pleasure. Climax can be seen as an altered and expansive state of consciousness.

The energy that we tap into with sexual pleasure is called Life Force Energy (also commonly referred to as Eros or Kundalini). It is powerful enough to create human life. This is the energy that creates our entire reality. Me, you, your pets, the food you eat - even the clothes you wear are likely made up of natural fibers resulting from a (S)acred (E)nergy E(X)change between plants or animals.



When we tap into this energy with intention, we are aligning ourselves with an incredible creative force. By invoking intention into your self-pleasure or partnered intimacy, you are able to harness ecstasy and bliss to become a magnet for your desires using the Law of Attraction

*Mind blown. *Orgasm not included**

Here are the 3 Steps to Sex Magic:

1: Set an intention.

What metaphorical “bun” do you want to put in the oven? My advice is to focus more on what kind of feeling you want to bring into your life, and less on the exact process or outcome. For example, if you're looking to call in financial abundance, focus on what it would feel like to be financially secure and abundant, rather than seeing a particular number in your bank account or visualizing yourself winning the lottery.

2: Awaken your Eros.

Warm up the oven. Seduce yourself or each other with full presence and pleasure. Don't rush straight towards genitals. Take a nice bath or dance or have a glass of wine. The more you're able to build this energy with edging or waves of arousal, the stronger your life force becomes.

3: Merge intention with Eros at climax.

Merge intention with Eros at climax. Have the cake and eat it too. At climax, especially as you orgasm and immediately after, visualize and sensationalize your intention and desires as if you are receiving them in that moment. It's especially powerful to journal immediately after or share your visualizations with your partner to amplify the bliss of receiving.

Don't forget to integrate and make space for these manifestations to take shape. If you don't let go of limiting patterns and beliefs, you'll be sending mixed signals and you'll receive mixed results. For example, if you're manifesting a new partner, you need to cut the unhealthy ties with your ex.

It is also absolutely essential that you first have gratitude for what you already have in your life. For example, as you manifest your dream vehicle, you might be angry at your old car for breaking down all the time. But if you can find some gratitude for how far this car has gotten you up until now, you'll be in a much better position to manifest something positive. The frequency of gratitude is much stronger than the frequency of anger or frustration.

Mindset is incredibly important for this work - as is being totally present with your thoughts, feelings, and body. Creating a Tantric Lifestyle with sacred sexuality encourages us to become more observant of our innate autonomy in creating our reality.

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Model Lets Photographers Control Her DSLR Over 'Zoom' for Long-Distance Photo Shoots

SAMANTHA MATHIAS

I am a traveling model, working in the industry for a little over 20 years. I also work on a drag racing team as a promotional model and videographer. I had two tours planned for the east coast in March & April, but unfortunately these plans have canceled due to COVID-19. With my tours canceled and race scheduled changed, I was out of work for the unseen future. Time to get creative!

I recently did a "Skype" / "FaceTime" shoot with a good friend photographer Louis Reed. We came up with some really creative and fun shots but I missed capturing proper, hi-res images like you do on a real shoot. So I came up with an idea.

I know wildlife photographers shoot remotely, and being at photo shoots myself, I've seen photographers tether to a computer for us to check the photos as we shoot. I really

wanted to put together a way to provide hi-res images to the photographer, just like at a shoot, but while shooting remotely. After some networking on a few Facebook groups, another good friend of mine who is also a photographer, Walt Weiss, pointed me in the right direction of remote shooting.

Walt and I did our first test a few weeks ago... and since then it has blown up, receiving more positive feedback than I ever expected!

I am extremely happy in the interest on this project, because not only did I want to start this to achieve my own personal needs but to help others in the industry who may be struggling during these trying times. This is a time for all of us to come together and support each other more than ever.



The steps for setting up this kind of shoot are quite simple:

- ✓ I use Zoom to conference in the photographer to private chat.
- ✓ I will then use the screen share option to let them see and control my screen.
- ✓ Once the photographer can see my laptop screen, I run a program called DigiCam to give remote control access to the photographer. I usually suggest the photographer use a laptop or desktop during the session, as an iPad will not work.

Caveat: Zoom can be laggy with everyone online, so I suggest to communicate on the phone or WhatsApp during session.

From there it's very straight forward. The photographer controls the camera settings via DigiCam and directs the shoot over the phone. You can see the process in action in this behind the scenes video below with photographer Lance Andrews

There will be a minor lag, so what I've learned during these remote tethered shoots is that patience is key. On both sides. I have plenty of modeling experience so I can hold a pose, know my angles, and take direction well; however, for beginner models or photographers, it's all about communication.

When you get it right, it's incredibly satisfying. Think of it like shooting on film: you appreciate each image so much because that is the image you have both carefully created. The patience and creativity involved makes it feel like a slow dance between model and photographer.

I hope this project spreads and reaches more people. It means a lot to me knowing this can help someone else out as much as it has done for me. Let's get creative and support each other.



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