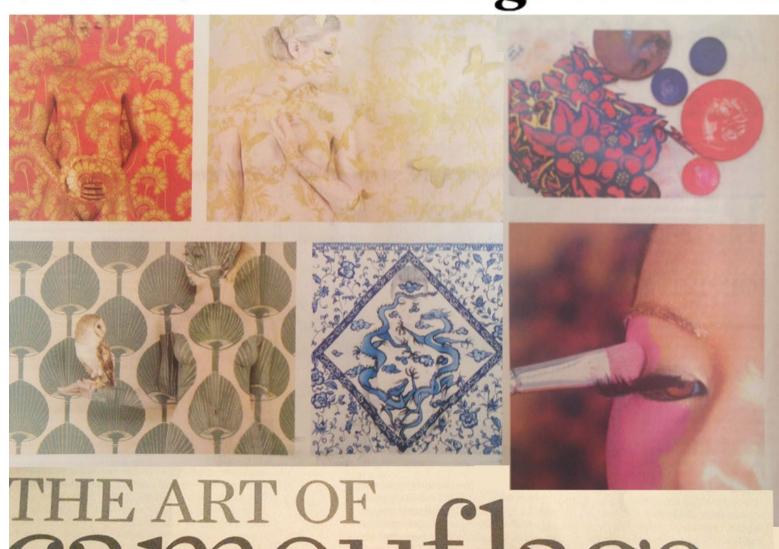
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THE ART OF Camouflage



Australian artist Emma Hack puts a new take on camouflage by painting the female body so that flesh and paint merge in a surreal photographic work. The process can take anywhere from eight to 15 hours, depending on the complexity of the design. The four images top right show the artist in action during a live body-painting session at The Cat Street Gallery, Sheung Wan, this week. Hack's first solo show in Hong Kong will continue at the gallery until September 22, featuring works seen here, including "Wallpaper Red Lips" and "Ow in Birch Trees". In 2011, Hack collaborated with Grammy award-winning musician Gotye on the music video for the track "Somebody That I Used to Know", which has received more than 426 million hits on YouTube. Photos: Nora Tam, Emma Hack