

The French Collection 《法國系列》

2016 至 2017 年期間,我遊覽法國布列塔尼、蔚藍海岸、巴黎拍攝《法國系列》。我在台中「咕嚕好吃法式風味廚坊」結識前主廚 Grégory le Cloarec,正是他讓我萌生前往法國一遊的念頭。我首先造訪布列塔尼,遊覽蔚藍海岸,並拜訪法國友人 Rémi Legris,而他也曾在台中經營「一方酒業」。

返回奧地利途中,我短暫駐足巴黎,手持 50 年歷史的底片相機仔細捕捉眼前靜謐光景。我很享受在寒冷冬夜漫遊香榭麗舍大道,我前往艾菲爾鐵塔,還行經歷史悠久的 Le Fouquet's 餐廳。我在塔頂待到午夜,回顧這座壯觀鐵塔的往昔種種。

《法國系列》在本次展覽亮相,為四年前那場旅行畫上美好句點。

The French Collection is a series of pictures I took in 2016/17 in Brittany, the French Riviera and Paris. It was at *Gulu's House* where the idea of travelling to France emerged. Inspired by its former chef, Grégory le Cloarec, Brittany became the first destination. The French Riviera was added soon to the travel itinerary to visit Rémi Legris, another member of Taichung's French community and former owner of *Terroir Wine*.

On my way back to Austria, I made a brief stopover in Paris to capture further moments of inner peace with my fifty-year old film camera. I enjoyed walking down the Avenue des Champs-Élysées in the cold winter evening while passing by the historic *Le Fouquet's* on my way to the Eiffel Tower. Stayed at the top of the tower until close to midnight, reflecting on its history and magnificence.

With this exhibition, the French Collection finishes where it started four years ago.

The exhibition opened on 24 December 2020 at the French Restaurant Gulu's House, Taichung, Taiwan.

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List of works exhibited

- 1. La Tour Eiffel I, Paris
- 2. Basilique du Sacré-Cœur, Paris
- 3. Le Fouquet's, Paris
- 4. Arc de Triomphe, Paris
- 5. Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Paris
- 6. Academie Nationale de Musique, Paris
- 7. Montmartre I, Paris
- 8. Moulin Rouge I, Paris
- 9. Hotel Moliere, Toulon
- 10. Building I, Nice
- 11. Cap Coz, Fouesnant
- 12. Phare de l'Ile Vierge, Brittany
- 13. Building II, Nice
- 14. Moulin Rouge II, Paris
- 15. La Tour Eiffel II, Paris
- 16. Avenue des Champs-Élysées, Paris
- 17. Ferris Wheel, Nice
- 18. Night View, Paris
- 19. Montmartre II, Paris
- 20. Gulu's House, Taichung

