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## MALE TOURNAMENT OF TEASE, 2007 Julie Cook

Erotic portraiture and performance to the camera within both public and private space has a history, often hidden, to be found under beds or in private collections.

These photographs by Julie Cook were taken at the Bethnal Green Working Men's Club in East London as part of a yearly 'Tournament of Tease' in collaboration with Lara Clifton and the infamous *Whoopee Club* that founded an exciting new style cabaret scene in its early days. The Bryant and May Match company was also based in East London, and the home of the original burlesque performances.

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