

# Marijke Willems

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## About Me

My first camera was a gift from my parents when I was 10. Photography has never been a career choice, rather a natural development from childhood games to my every day passion. I worked as an assistant for a well-known photographer, Merwelene van der Merwe. I went to the Netherlands in 2005 to enhance my studies in photography and graduated at the Foto Academie, Amsterdam in Fashion Advertising. After my Dutch experience in working as a photographer I came back to South Africa in 2009, I am currently based in Johannesburg with Red Hot Ops and am happily triggering away.

I love to treat photography as art, to shoot in a way that I can create a concept around. My mission includes emphasizing the love and the passion I have for photography, see and reveal it in a different way that will inspire and seek attention by extremes.

