

911 Love: an interview with Arthur Kar

05/01/2022 Cars and fashion are a combination that fascinates Arthur Karakoumouchian. It's what his fashion label, L'Art de L'Automobile, founded in 2017, is all about.

Born in Beirut and raised in Paris, the 39-year-old started working at a French Porsche Centre as a mechatronic technician when he was a teenager. He soon became self-employed and successfully traded sports cars that he had reconditioned himself. In the autumn of 2021, he debuted his newest creation: the 968 L'ART in a retro look from the 1990s — converted into a roadster together with Porsche.

What is love?

Love.

How are you? Good, and you?

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The Porsche 911 in three words? Timeless, beautiful, fast.

Which simple things can make you happy? Playing basketball and listening to hip-hop at the same time.

What would you never do in a 911? Smoke.

What's your favourite road? From Carmel-by-the-Sea to Big Sur in California.

What can distract you? A faster car.

Three things you would take to a desert island? A PlayStation 5, a Seabob-Jet and a basketball.

Is there a historical figure you admire? Michael Jordan.

What on a 911 could you do without? The PDK – I love manual gearshifts.

And what couldn't you? The sound of the engine.

What music did you wake up to this morning? R & B or hip-hop — it depends what mood I was in.

Your favourite film?
Grand Budapest Hotel by Wes Anderson. His films inspire me.

Your favourite book? I don't really like books.

Where do you long to be? In my Porsche Carrera GT.

Your most treasured possession? A pair of original Air Jordan shoes.

Your secret?

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That'll stay my secret.

The 911 moment of your life?
The first drive in a Porsche 965 Turbo Leichtbau.

Your best advice?
Believe in your dreams. Never give up.

What would no one expect of you? I can rap.

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