



Trash Polka Tattoos - NYC

Trash Polka Tattoos are visually striking and are primarily designed with black and red colors. The majority of the tattoos done in this style are usually large pieces. The large size of these pieces allows for the inclusion of different elements and motifs.



Trash Polka tattoos can be a combination of naturalistic, surrealistic, and photorealistic images. Trash Polka tattoos are clean, classy, and beautiful, but are also intense, abstract, and bold. This tattoo style breaks all of the rules of traditional tattooing. Trash polka is a style of tattoo that originated in Germany and aims to tell a story, where the designs are usually a chaotic collage style and each is completely unique.



History of Trash Polka Tattoos



The term 'Trash Polka' is a word that was created, and is a registered trademark, by Volker Merschky and Simone Pfaff. The Trash Polka Tattoo style was created by Merschky and Pfaff in 1989 at Buena Vista Tattoo Club in Würzburg, Germany. The two artists originally named the style 'Realistic Trash Polka' because it combined realistic images with other artistic layers. Eventually, they shortened the name to Trash Polka in order to avoid setting any fixed rules for the style.

The Future of the Style

Trash Polka is a relatively newer tattoo style. Trash Polka tattoos challenge the norms of society, and they are aimed towards expressing individuality and uniqueness. The Trash Polka style of tattoos can be combined with any other tattoo style, which makes them extremely versatile and a style that can easily evolve alongside other tattoo styles. Trash Polka is synonymous with realism, which makes the designs continuously evolve to be more intense and gruesome as individuals feel more comfortable expressing themselves outwardly on their bodies and using their skin as canvases.



Trash Polka Tattoos FAQs

Should I get a Trash Polka tattoo?

As with any style, tattoos are based on personal taste. If you are in love with a style, go and get it. One positive of getting a tattoo in this style is that they are unique, so you will not run into too many other people with the same style of tattoo as you.

Why was the Trash Polka style of tattoo created?

Trash polka was designed to be unique. Volker Merschky and Simone Pfaff created the Trash Polka style because they wanted to break the traditional rules of tattooing and use the human body as a canvas.

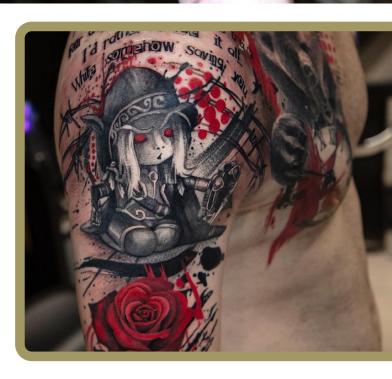
What do Trash Polka tattoos symbolize?

Trash polka tattoos are meant to tell a story. Like all tattoos, each piece symbolizes something different for the wearer.



Trash Polka Tattoos & Cover Ups

Trash polka tattoos are known for deeply saturated reds and blacks, which unsurprisingly, makes for an amazing tattoo cover up style. The only downside for a trash polka cover up is that this style often utilizes negative space of unmarked skin within the design. Thus, extra planning is required to make sure the piece being covered doesn't appear in this negative space, but instead behind the deep blacks and reds. Check out the Trash Polka designs by some of the First Class artists to start developing your idea.



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