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MOST RELIGIOUS SPACES trade in a relationship between the structural presence of architecture and a dematerialised, spiritual sense of vision. Nowhere is this more pronounced than in the Renaissance and Baroque churches of Rome where the play between substance and illusion becomes, at one and the same time, both verticinious and controlling.

My time in Rome was a similar roller coaster of pleasure and pain as I variously sought to overcome or succumb to the tyranny of spectacle that the City so gloriously exemplifies. The ensuing tension between visual spectacle and phenomenological power remains a lasting lequey at the heart of my work.

Fiona Crisp, 2005



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