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Marilyn Monroe's last sitting on display in Paris

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By 1962, Marilyn Monroe had established herself as a Hollywood heavyweight, finding fame for her performances both onscreen and off-screen. But a photo set taken shortly before her death later in the year proved that there was more than meets the eye to the infamous blonde starlet...

The year Marilyn Monroe died was a tumultuous one. Prior to her death, she made quite a few eye-raising appearances, including singing a very sexy "Happy Birthday" to then president of the United States, John F. Kennedy. But there was one moment in those last few tragic days, where Marilyn stripped down, both physically and emotionally, in front of the camera and showed the world a more vulnerable side to herself. A carefully curated selection of these photos, taken by Bert Stern for *Vogue*, will go on exhibit at DS World Paris from 8 June 2017 to 6 January 2018. Of the 2,571 pictures taken over 12 hours in Suite 261 of the Hotel Bel Air in Los Angeles, 59 have been hand-selected by Olivier Lorquin and staged by Hubert Le Gall to create the *Marilyn: The Last Sitting* exhibit. These vulnerable yet glamourous photos will be displayed alongside DS Automobiles' newest models from their latest collection, as well as some heritage models of the past, including a rare 1966 DS 21 Cabriolet US export, providing the perfect atmosphere of sensuality, glamour, and timelessness.

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