



SANISLAW
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TRZEBINSKI

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For his first solo show with Southern Guild, Stanislaw Trzebinski creates an immersive collection of functional bronze sculpture inspired by his lifelong fascination with the ocean. *In the Absence of Light* evokes the mystical, suspended experience of a diver beneath the waves, encountering the still and otherworldly depths teeming with life.

The works reference a rich array of living organisms such as coral, fungi and stalactites. A recurring motif is the artist's interpretation of the Turing pattern, which models patterns found in nature – most apparent in brain coral, puffer fish and leopard markings. At once deeply familiar and otherworldly, the pieces beckon to a sense of the unknown, suggesting undiscovered life forms from the ocean – an idea given further weight by the inclusion of tiny LED lights that create the effect of bioluminescence.

Stanislaw grew up in Nairobi, Kenya in a richly creative household. Throughout his childhood, the pull of the ocean was ever-present. His father – the late artist Tonio Trzebinski – was an avid surfer and fisherman, and weekends were spent together free-diving, fishing and camping in Kenya's outdoors, inspiring a reverence for nature that has stayed with the artist ever since.

A talented artist from an early age, Stanislaw was gradually drawn most strongly to sculpture and on the strength of his portfolio attended the Pratt Institute in New York in 2011. There he came to the realisation that his creativity was intimately connected to Africa, its nature and people. He moved to Cape Town in 2012, to apprentice in sculpture and bronze casting at Bronze Age Foundry, and now works out of his own studio in Woodstock.

A percentage of the proceeds from sales of these works will go towards Local Ocean Conservation, a Kenyan not-for-profit organisation that works to protect the country's marine environment through ocean conservation, education and outreach programmes.









STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Mensam Meridium (Glowing dining table)

MEDIUM

Bronze, walnut, glow in the dark pigmented epoxy

SIZE

240 x 90 x 76 cm

EDITION

1 of 4 + 1AP





STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pugillarem Meridium (Glowing writing desk)

MEDIUM

Bronze, walnut, glow in the dark pigmented epoxy

SIZE

220 x 112 x 73 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP





STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Haliocyano Fingiagigantea (Standing chandelier)

MEDIUM

Bronze, granite, LED, silicone, graphite & polyester resin

SIZE

75 x 63 x 332 / 100 x 80 x 306 / 133 x 68 x 259 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Giganteacetus Polyfolia (Many leaved giant sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, lead crystal ball, LED, fiber optics

SIZE

44 x 36 x 94 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Cyanocetus pygorepandus (Blue-green)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, lead crystal ball, silicone, LED

SIZE

37 x 28 x 77 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Maritima cordatus. (Heart of the sea)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, lead crystal ball, LED

SIZE

34 x 21 x 47 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Aequor Mercury (Mercury of the deep water feature)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel, water pump

SIZE

75 x 75 x 238 cm

EDITION

1 of 3 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Archeoflavus Tripartitus (Turnin pattern coffee table - big)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze

SIZE

143 x 102 x 46.5/83.5 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP

Details above refer to the coffee table only and exclude nested side table as seen in picture, refer to next page for details and price for side table



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Archeoflavus Pulchellus (Turnin pattern coffee table - small)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze

SIZE

79 x 68 x 36/111 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Extra Terrestrial

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze

SIZE

89 x 74 x 78/103 cm

EDITION

1 of 4 + 1 AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Thorny sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel

SIZE

10 x 10 x 47 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1 AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Stovepipe sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel

SIZE

10 x 10 x 33 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1 AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Lesser spotted sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel

SIZE

10 x 10 x 36 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1 AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Rufous sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel

SIZE

10 x 10 x 32 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1 AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Frisled sea heart)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze, stainless steel

SIZE

11 x 10 x 25 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1 AP





STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE
Aquarius Vessel

MEDIUM
Patinated bronze

SIZE
39 x 22 x 65 cm

EDITION
3 of 5 + 1AP





STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pollyfolium Muralis (wall petals)

MEDIUM

Polished and patinated bronze

SIZE

Variable

EDITION

Unique



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Polydolichodactyl Muralis (Many long-fingered wall-dweller)

MEDIUM

Patinated bronze

SIZE

90 x 64 x 130 cm

EDITION

1 of 5 + 1AP





STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Halio Archeopetro (Fossilised sea bed)

MEDIUM

Etched brass with archival epoxy coating

SIZE

Four panels: 200 x 100 cm each

EDITION

1 of 2 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Mushroom Coral Figure

MEDIUM

Etched brass with archival epoxy coating

SIZE

100 x 60 cm

EDITION

1 of 3 + 1AP



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Lesser spotted sea heart - resin)

MEDIUM

Pigmented epoxy

SIZE

12 x 12 x 25 cm

EDITION

Unique



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Thorny sea heart - resin)

MEDIUM

Pigmented epoxy

SIZE

11 x 11 x 21 cm

EDITION

Unique



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Stovepipe sea heart - resin)

MEDIUM

Pigmented epoxy

SIZE

12 x 12 x 28 cm

EDITION

Unique



STANISLAW TRZEBINSKI

TITLE

Pulchellus Pelagicus (juv.) (Rufous sea heart - resin)

MEDIUM

Pigmented epoxy

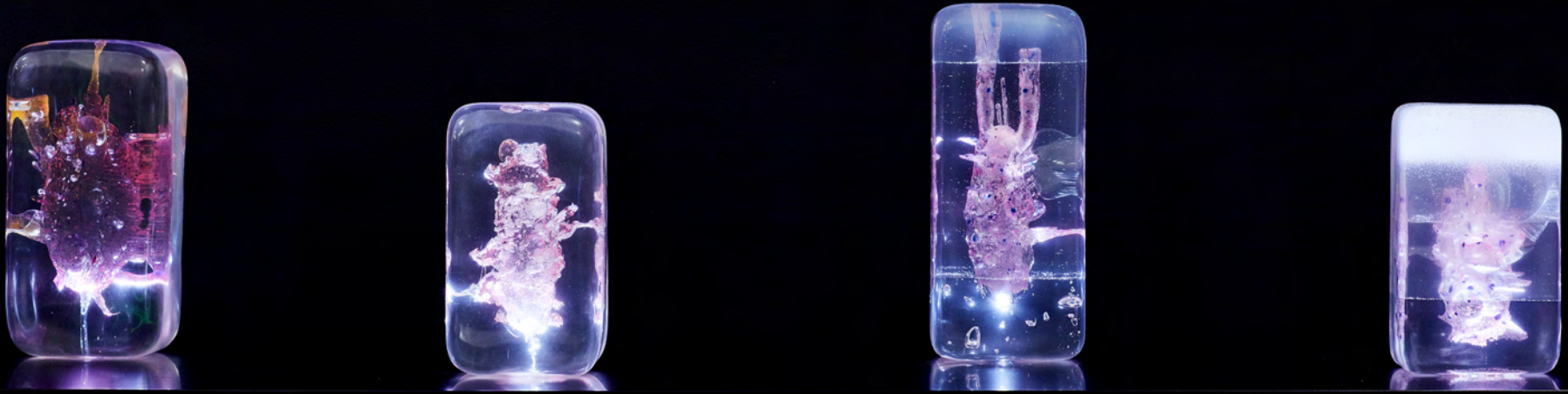
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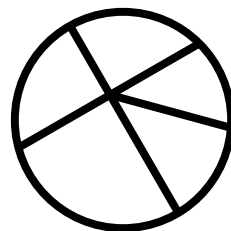
11 x 11 x 21 cm

EDITION

Unique







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