

In House: Pangolin Makers

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Foreword

We have always known that some of the craftsmen and women employed at Pangolin Editions are also talented artists. Until we put up a poster inviting submissions for this exhibition we had no idea just how many painters, sculptors, potters, jewellers and textile artists we had right here in our midst.

Some are practising artists in their own right, some are occasional players and others simply enjoy 'making' for the pleasure of it.

The breadth and scope of their work has amazed and delighted us, with its diverse and adventurous range of media from porcelain to steel, silver to oils and print-making. Many chose to present pieces linked to their daytime craft but others revealed hidden strings to their bows, with inventive use of techniques from macramé to taxidermy!

'In House' celebrates the unseen wealth of talent behind the scenes at Pangolin Editions. We are extremely grateful to all the artists for their contributions and hope our visitors gain as much pleasure from the show as we have had in bringing it together.

Claude Koenig Jane Buck



Chris Baker Painter & Mould-maker

> Based on aerial views of tributaries, this piece has a meandering, scored cut to its surface like that of water eroding through rock and earth.

TributaryMild Steel with Gold Leaf
Unique
117cm high





Tristan Bryan Foundry Manager

This abstract form, created in wood with casting in mind, is a meditation on the interplay between surface, texture, material and space.

The piece is intended to be handled, to be without scale, monumental even in miniature. It has multiple sides, many of which could become a base.

Bound Blocks
Bronze with Cotton Binding
Edition of 6
13cm high





Dan Cummings Silver & Bronze Chaser



Calico Jack
Sterling Silver & Bronze
Edition of 3
3.5cm high



Stuart Delaney Modeller



BullPencil on Paper
Unique
25.5cm w x 33.5cm h



Sally Eldridge Gallery Manager







Leanne Foyle Wax Maker







Kim Francis Modeller

'Mother and Child' resulted from an interest in the spent remains of processes or organisms, from empty cell cases to burnt out matchsticks. The spent matchsticks became the numerous spines on this pair of primitive cells. Independent forms, they share a kind of co-dependent relationship to one another. They may also sing to one another if stroked or plucked.

Mother & Child Bronze Unique 34cm high





Simon Furnell Metalworker

During my final year at University I was inspired by the sociological theory of the 'Iron Cage' and the post-minimalist ideas of Anti Form. 'change' refers to the rationalisation of how an individual perceives, and interacts with, their surroundings through constructing and manipulating.

changeAngle-Iron with Owatrol Oil
Unique
180cm high

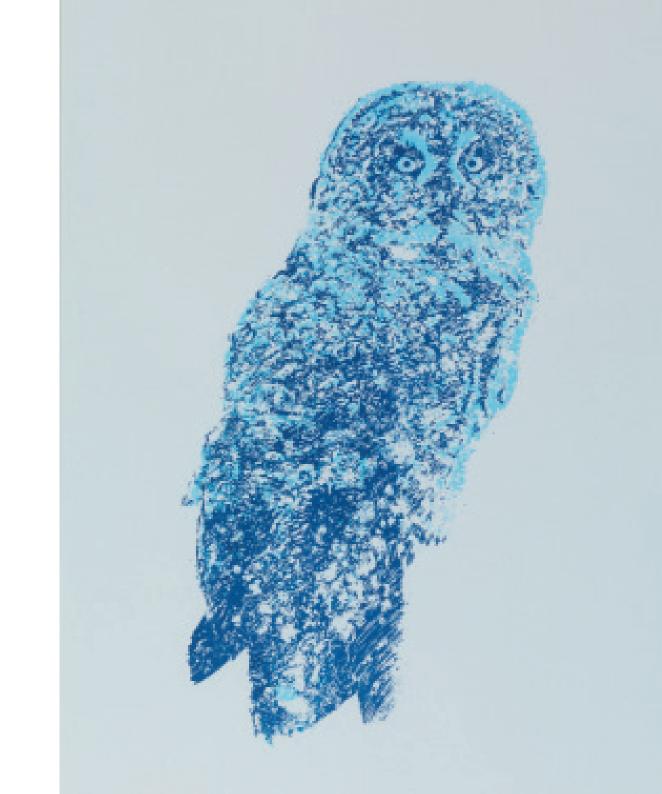


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Tony Hassett Sand & Wax Moulder

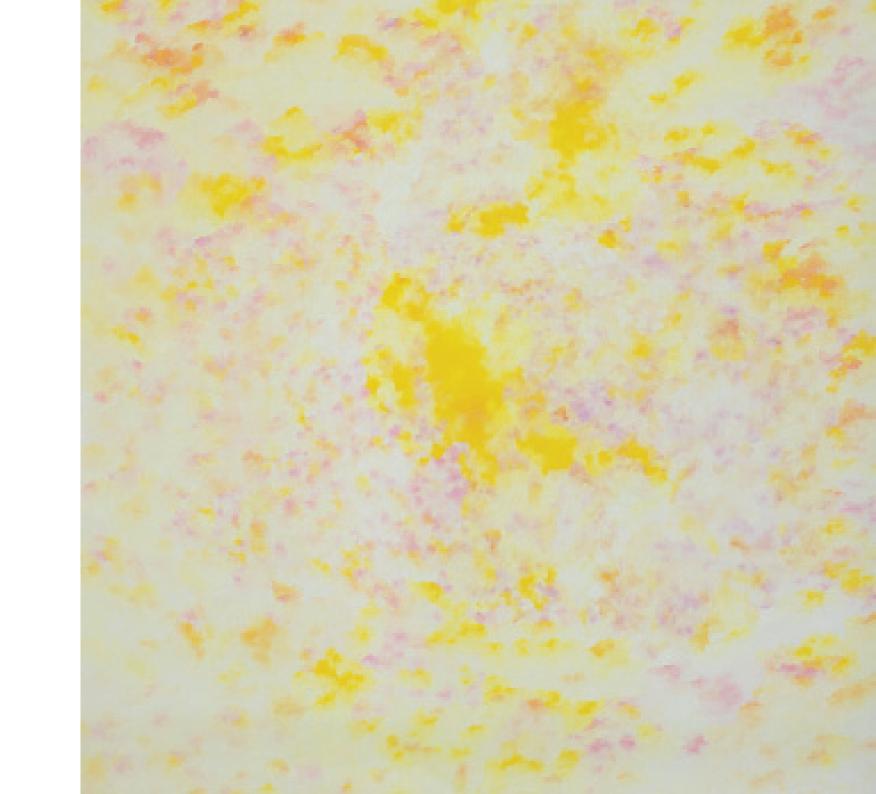






James Hillman Wax Maker & Investor







Mark Huggins Silversmith

The pieces of the Divine Suite were inspired by walks in the countryside. I noticed the amazing vitality and tenacity of the ivy growing across stone walls, even in the depths of winter and wanted to create the effect of ivy in frost.

DivineSterling Silver & Freshwater Pearls
Unique
15cm diameter





Andy Johansen Lost Wax Investor

HeartBronze, Copper & Stainless Steel
Unique
65cm high





Sue Kimber Wax Maker

Visits to the Jurassic coast undoubtedly inspired this pot: ancient cliff faces showing dramatic contrasting banding in different rock layers, from chalk to sandstone, clay to limestone.

StrataWhite Stoneware, Cranks, Earthenware & Porcelain Unique
36cm high

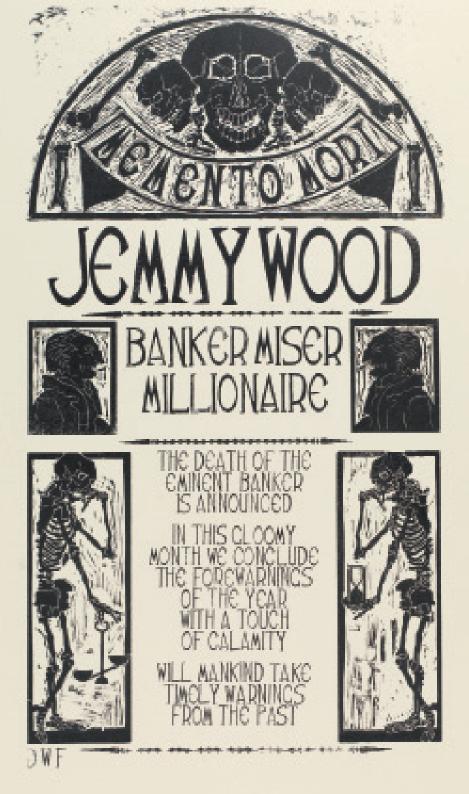




Andy Kinnear Sand Moulder

Jemmy Wood belongs to a series of prints influenced by 17th century British Broadside printing. Produced efficiently and often with political and satirical content they were the forerunner of the newspaper, and hence modern media. Jemmy Wood, infamous banker of Gloucester, would have fitted well into our fragile contemporary capitalist system.

Jemmy Wood Woodblock & Letter Press Edition of 8 46cm w x 80cm h





Fleur Mathews Wax Maker







Patrice Mc Kevitt Bronze Chaser & Wax Maker

The porcelain 'Swarm' is born out of a meditative process of religiously hand-making each piece so that all are individual forms. It has been inspired by repetition in nature and the relationship between order and chaos. The organic mass is open to the viewer's interpretation.

Swarm detail Porcelain Unique 240cm high approx.



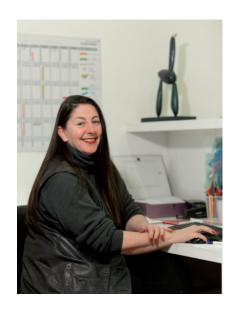


Robbie McIntosh Metalworker

The image has been created by the repetition of the phrase 'The work of art in the age of mechanical reproduction.' In the act of repetition the syntactical meaning is lost and the action takes over. From starting with something very mechanical and literal, something spontaneous and organic is created.

The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction Pencil on Paper Unique 93cm w x 152cm h





Helen Mitchell Health and Safety Manager

When I was a child in the late 1960s, I was taken to Walter Potter's Victorian taxidermy museum in Bramber and was fascinated by the glass cases of stuffed animals set in human situations, like the 'Kitten Wedding' or the 'Guinea Pig Cricket Match'. After completing a taxidermy course last year and spending many hours practising, this is my attempt to pay homage to Mr Potter.

Sciuriouser and Sciuriouser... detail Mixed Media Unique 20cm high





Sara Myers Modeller







Nóirín Nic Alastair Lost Wax Investor

'What of thinking? ... it might possibly be the case if i ceased entirely to think, that i should likewise cease altogether to exist.

... let us take this piece of wax ... it is hard, cold... approach the fire...it becomes liquid, it heats,

...and yet the same wax remains.'

Descartes, Meditations.

Conception
From a Triptych 'Art of Making: Making of Art'
Bronze
Edition of 8
5cm high





Kate Parsons Modeller

This work is part of an installation supported by the Arts Council of England, based on a cross-cultural investigation into death and mortality. The repetition of seven different Kenyan rocks represent the fertility rituals associated with death in Giriama society. Themes of reversal and contrast often connote concepts in my work.

East West - Matter of Interpretation
Herculite
Unique
180cm w x 90cm d approx.





Lorraine Robbins Modeller & Wax Maker

Subscribing to Luce Irigaray's proposed strategy of using memesis to expose the objectification of women, my subject in this drawing is myself. Current concerns are around sexting and use of new media to create and share images and the naive confusion of love with sex. The speed at which images can now be made and distributed, and the permanence of online images is contrasted, in this piece, with the slow, considered and reflective process of the drawing.

Is this it?
Pencil & Ink on Paper
Unique
91.5cm w x 60.5cm h





Cathie Shannon Administrator Ruwenzori Sculpture Foundation

For me, it's about the pleasure of foraging for 'useful' things to make something that retains signs of age and wear, then using digital fabric print to create a related item, in this case the little birds. I have a large collection of odds and ends, ephemera and embellishments and occasionally something quite pleasing will emerge.

A Chime of Wrens Mixed Media Unique 39cm high





Pete Tatham Modeller

Originally created as a memorial to the work of William Wilberforce, this wax copy has been the subject of intrigue, abuse and heroism. The Provenance of Pete mirrors the history and endurance of the human spirit.

The Provenance of Pete Wax Unique 78cm high





Victoria Underwood Wax Maker & Moulder

> A wise man was once asked whether he believed that great artists are people who are good with ideas rather than with their hands. 'Of course' he said. 'A man who is great with his hands might as well make macramé.'

The Physical Possibilities for Craft in the Hands of Someone Great; or Macramé Shark Mixed Media Unique 65cm high



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