

Candles & Sticks

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Candles & Sticks is a multidisciplinary exhibition project that brings together the work of 19 artists, designers and other makers. The first iteration of this project was presented in Melbourne in 2022, curated by *Manon van Kouswijk* (Melbourne based artist/educator) and Sassy Park, and realised with artist Allona Goren.

This new exhibition, curated for The National by **Manon van Kouswijk** and gallery director **Caroline Billing**, includes work by seven artists from the original Melbourne 2022 exhibition - Allona Goren, Marcos Guzman, Iris Eichenberg, Meredith Turnbull, Tracy Keith, Manon van Kouswijk & Benjamin Lignel - and for the Ōtautahi iteration, includes artists Steve Carr, Isobel Thom, Jacquelyn Greenbank, Cat Fooks, Sung Hwan Bobby Park, Warwick Freeman, Jen Alexandra, Gavin Hipkins, Kate Fitzharris, Maia McDonald, Wayne Youle, & Aaron Beehre. The artists in **Candles & Sticks** are from Australia, New Zealand, France, and USA.

Candles & Sticks presents a range of works that reinterpret and/or reflect on the candlestick as an object that holds, supports or frames a candle, or on the ritual of burning candles. Artists' responses could be object or image based, autonomous or functional, sculptural, durational, with scope for diverse approaches and interpretations of this subject and matter.

"Sculpturally, the candlestick can be thought of as a composition made up of a base, a foreground and background, vertical and horizontal, light and shadow. Beside the formal and material possibilities at play in this object, the burning of candles is ritual and symbolic, celebratory and commemorative and can be found in the public as well as the private realm.

We were curious to see how artists/designers/ceramicists and other makers might rethink / rework / remake this object as it has so much sculptural and poetic potential that goes beyond it being merely a functional object. There is drama and transformation in the melting of wax, the flickering of flames and the throwing of shadows".
Manon van Kouswijk, 2022

Wayne
Youle

Totem, 2023
Cast bronze, carved wood
1lb cast iron weight
220 x 75 x 75mm
NZ \$1,650



Courtesy of SUITE Gallery

Wayne
Youle

Progress (the price of...), 2023
Cast bronze, railway iron
265 x 120 x 60mm
NZ \$1,800



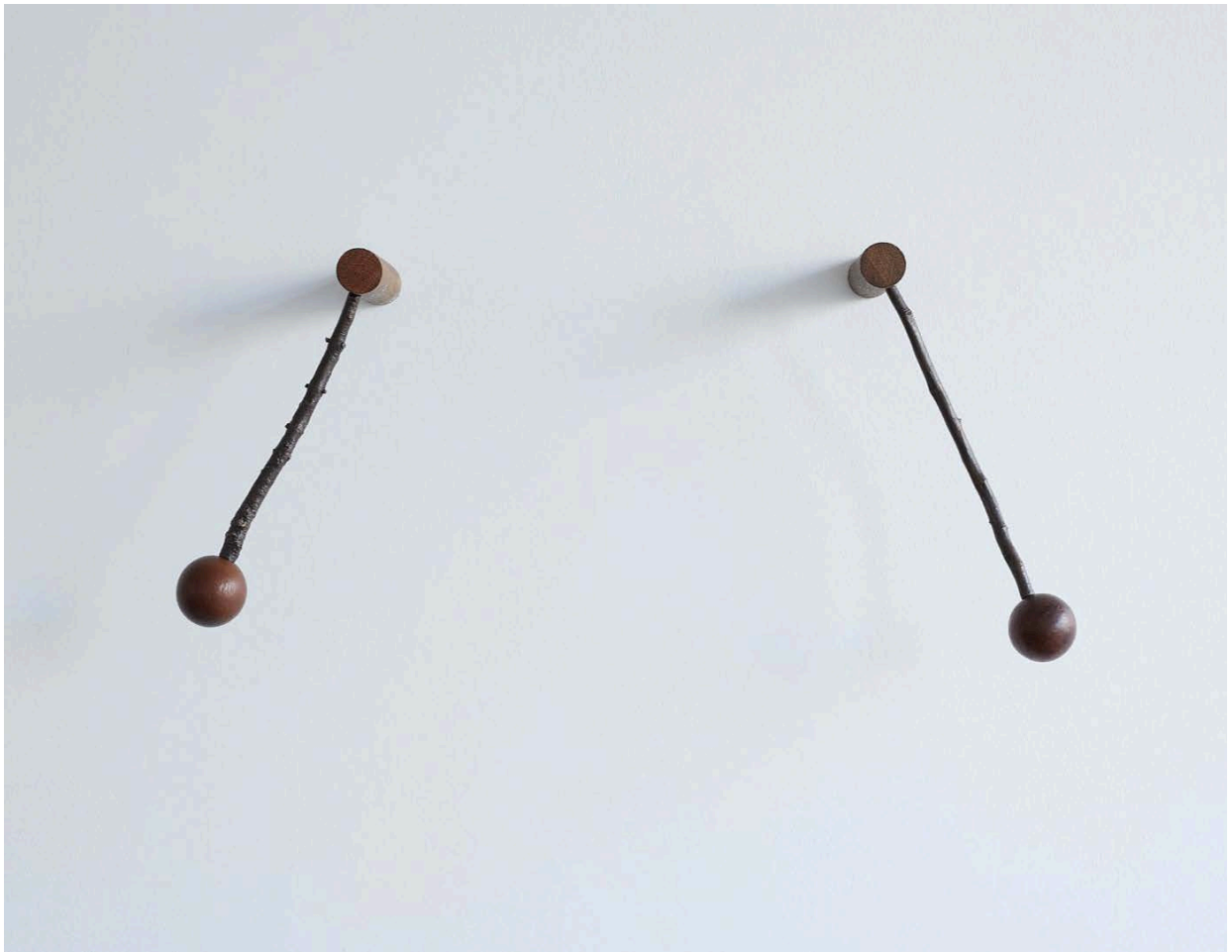
Wayne
Youle

Peace pipe, 2023
Cast bronze, wood, cast iron,
wax candle
140 x 75 x 185mm
NZ \$1,650



Wayne
Youle

Ethic. 7-5, 2023
Cast bronze, ladder rungs,
wooden balls
140 x 75 x 185mm
NZ \$1,850



Wayne
Youle

SMILE, 2023
Cast bronze, ladder rungs,
dyed beech
55 x 380 x 120mm
NZ \$1,850



Wayne
Youle

BANGI!, 2023
Cast bronze, bakelite, acrylic on canvas
440 x 50 x 245mm
NZ \$1,650



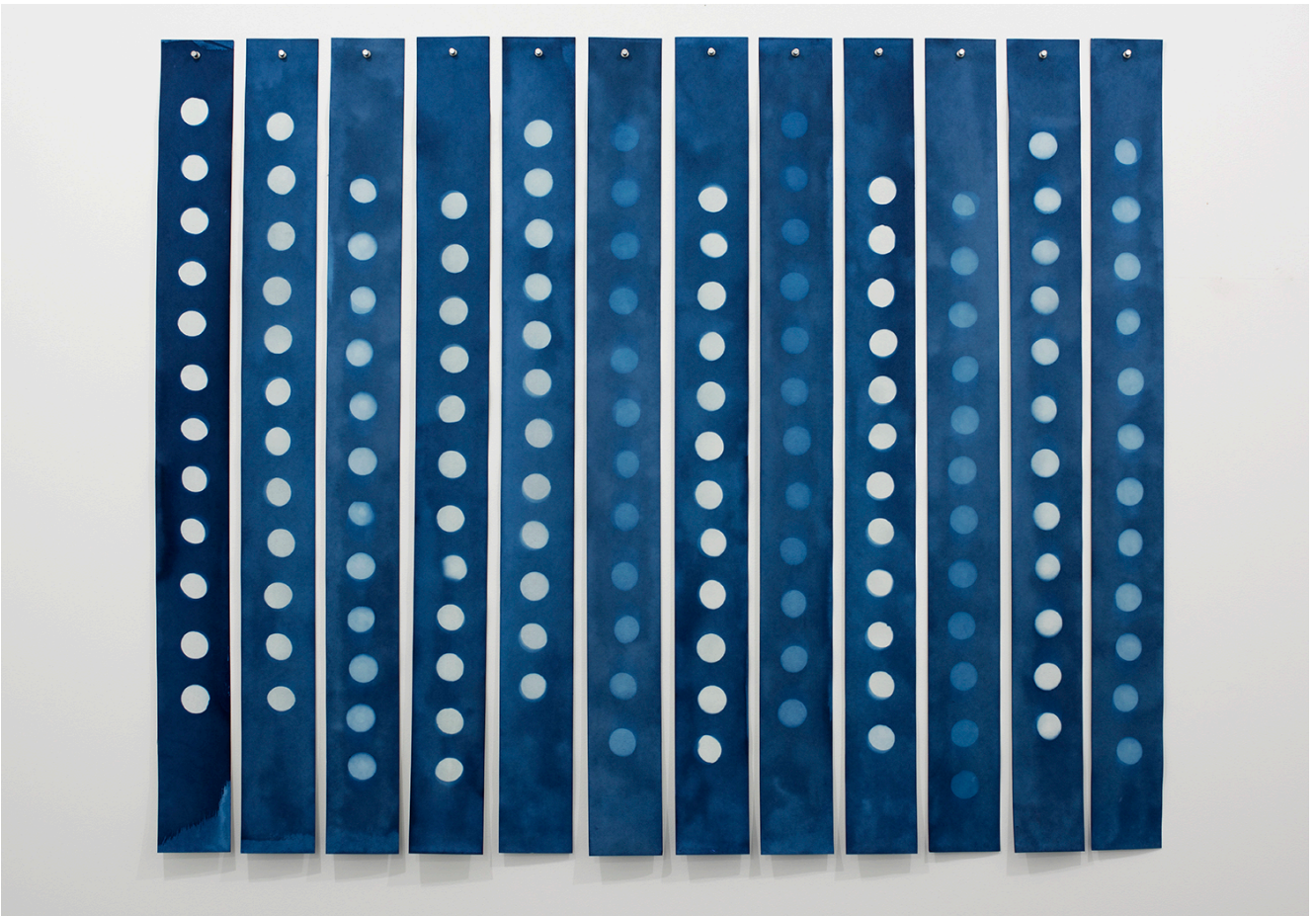
Steve
Carr

Cigarette Tree, 2007
3 min 52 sec
Single channel / silent
Edition 3/3
NZ \$7,500



Gavin
Hipkins

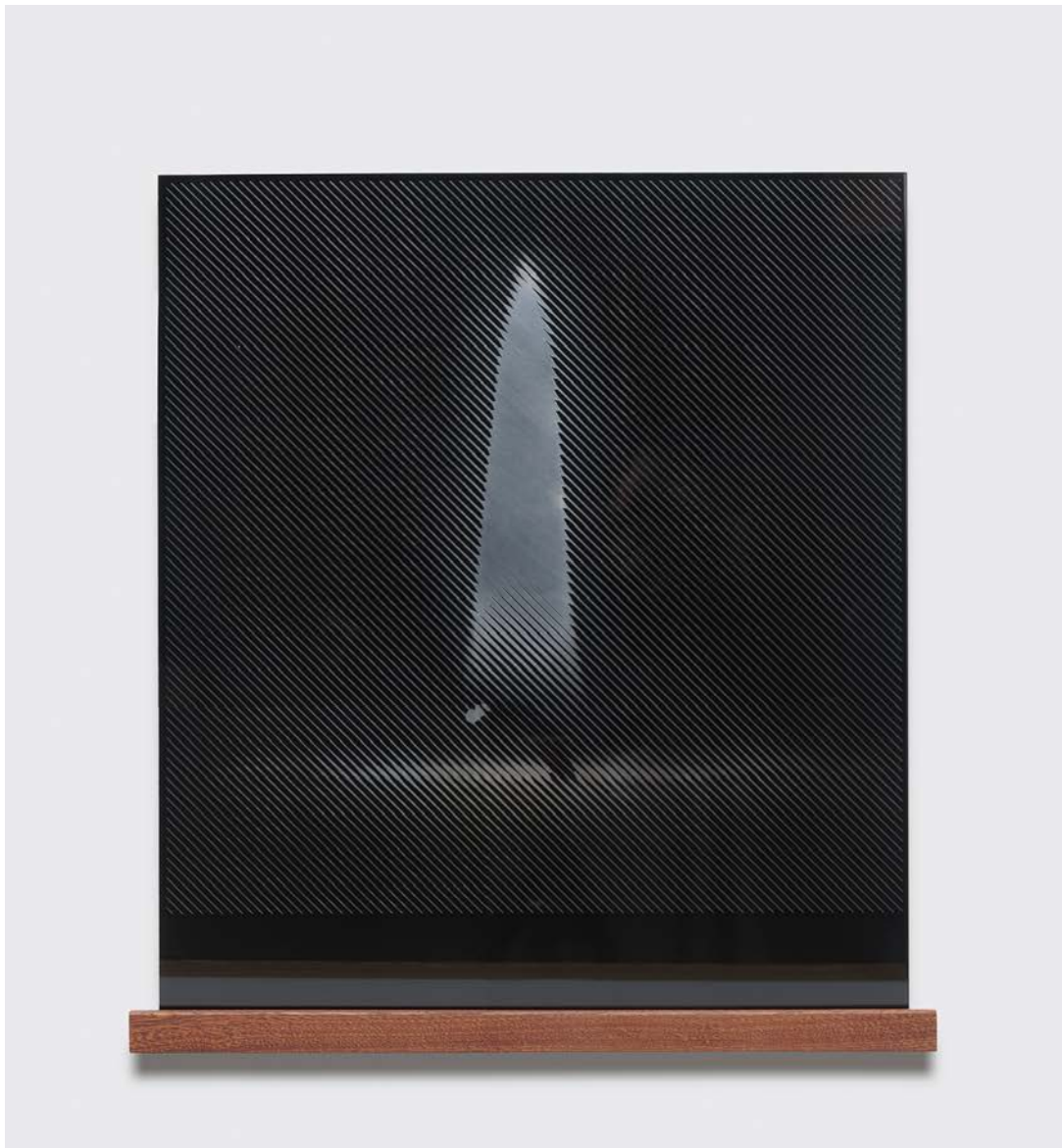
Blue Strips (12), 2023
12 unique cyanotype prints
90 x 1000mm each
1200 x 1000mm total size
NZ \$14,500



Courtesy of Michael Lett

Aaron
Beehre

Ilarion, 2023
ACM (aluminium composite
material), wood shelf
430 x 470 x 3mm
Edition of 3
NZ \$790



Maia
McDonald

Kōwhaiwai III, 2021
Scarva clay, spray paint
150 x 200 x 320mm
NZ \$2,250



Courtesy of Season Aotearoa

Maia
McDonald

Wahine wahine wahine, 2021
Buff Raku Trachyte clay
400 x 100 x 100mm
NZ \$3,250



Maia
McDonald

Platter for aunty, 2021
Wood-fired Driving Creek clay,
spray paint
50 x 300 x 430mm
NZ \$2,250



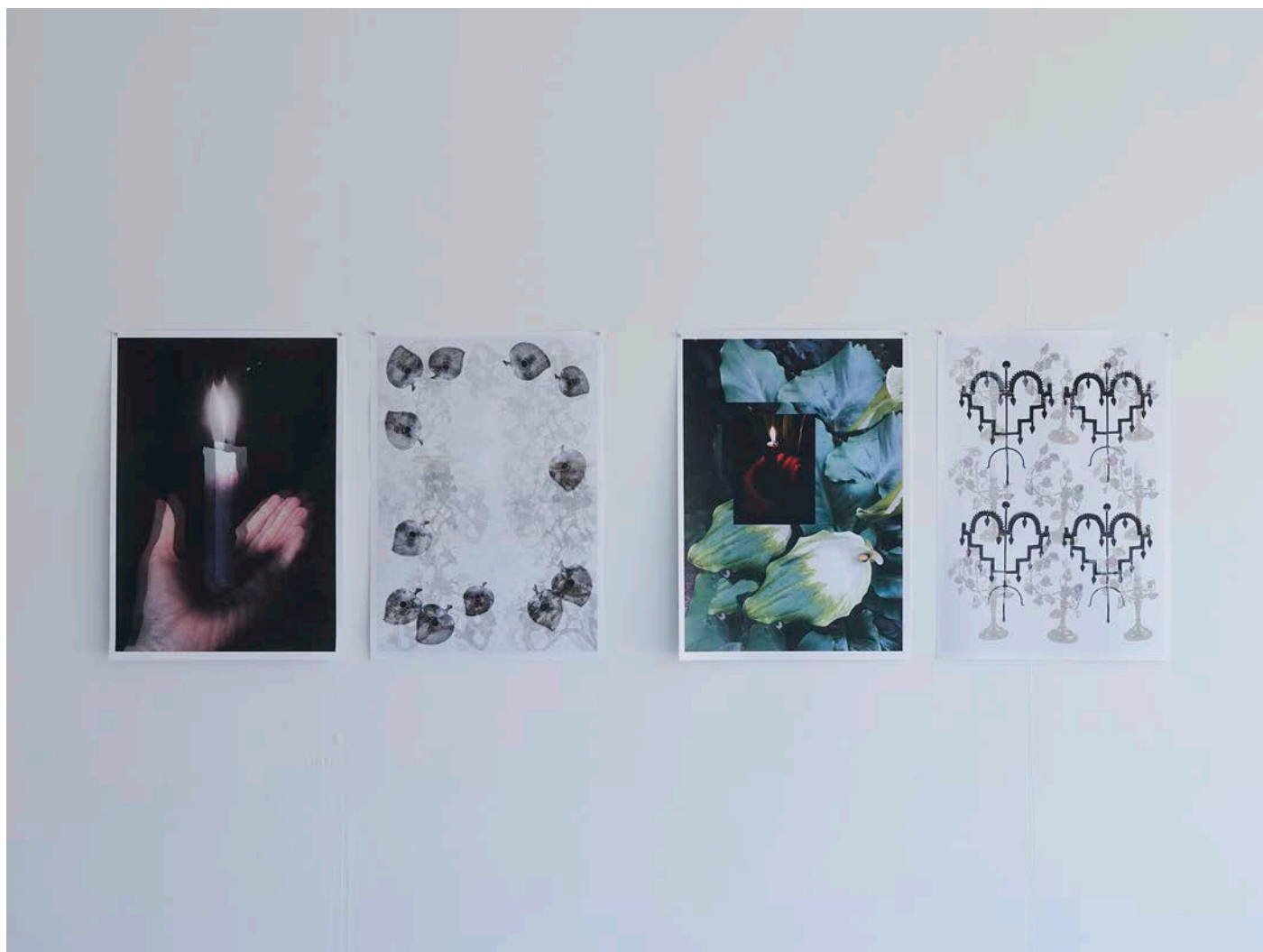
Maia
McDonald

Hauhake II, 2021
Wood-fired Driving Creek clay,
spray paint
260 x 255 x 35mm
NZ \$1,250



Meredith
Turnbull

I Burn / I Love, 2022
Digital collage, 2 double-side posters
295 x 420mm
NZ \$100 each



Tracy
Keith

Midnight vessel
Raku fired ceramic
200 x 290mm
NZ \$2,200



Tracy
Keith

Lava flow vessel
Raku fired ceramic
160 x 130mm
NZ \$1,900



Tracy
Keith

Earth cloak
Raku fired ceramic
175 x 270mm
NZ \$1,800



Tracy
Keith

The skin of Papatūānuku
Raku fired ceramic
195 x 260mm
NZ \$2,000



Tracy
Keith

Twilight vessel
Raku fired ceramic
200 x 300mm
NZ \$2,000



Sung Hwan
Bobby Park

Barry, 2018
Ceramic, bronze
325 x 160 x 110mm
NZ \$2,200



Sung Hwan
Bobby Park

Ford, 2023
Ceramics, bronze
250 x 140 x 120mm
NZ \$2,000



Sung Hwan
Bobby Park

Cheryl, 2023
Ceramics, bronze
335 x 165 x 150 mm
NZ \$2,400



Manon van
Kouswijk

Candle Candle Candlestick, 2022
Earthenware clay, underglaze, glaze, steel
270 x 160 x 115mm
NZ \$980



Manon van
Kouswijk

Candle Stick Candlestick

2022

Earthenware clay, underglaze, glaze

240 x 120 x 60mm

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Manon van
Kouswijk

Candle & Stick, 2022
Worry Beads – 2 beaded objects
Earthenware clay, underglaze,
glaze, thread
350mm drop, 20mm dia beads
NZ \$2,350



Manon van
Kouswijk

Keeper of the Flame I, 2022
Necklace
Earthenware clay, underglaze,
glaze, glass beads, thread
600m drop, 20mm dia beads
NZ \$2,350



Manon van
Kouswijk

Keeper of the Flame III, 2023
Necklace
Earthenware clay, underglaze,
glaze, glass beads, thread
360mm drop, 30mm dia beads
NZ \$1,850



Manon van
Kouswijk

Keeper of the Flame II, 2023
Necklace
Earthenware clay, underglaze,
glaze, glass beads, thread
380mm drop, 15mm dia beads
NZ \$1,600



Manon van
Kouswijk

Magic Triangle, 2023
Candleholder
Earthenware clay, underglaze, glaze, silver
100 x 220 x 220mm
NZ \$1,250



Manon van
Kouswijk

Portal, 2023
Wall object / candle holder
Earthenware clay, glaze
186 x 85 x 55mm
NZ \$650



Kate
Fitzharris

Bottle Candle, 2023
Ceramic, beeswax candle
275 x 100 x 100mm
NZ \$550



Kate
Fitzharris

Candle Head, 2023
Ceramic, beeswax candle
230 x 100 x 100mm
NZ \$500



Kate
Fitzharris

Candle Eyes, 2023
Ceramic, beeswax candle
215 x 85 x 85mm
NZ \$450



Jen
Alexandra

I Burn for you, 2023
Bronze
From 25 – 60mm
Small NZ \$125
Large NZ \$170



Cat
Fooks

Jingle Shell, 2023
Mixed media, enamel paint
310 x 110 x 110mm
NZ \$1,800



Courtesy of Anna Miles Gallery

Cat
Fooks

Pencil Tree, 2023
Mixed media, enamel paint
395 x 265 x 110mm
NZ \$2,800



Cat
Fooks

Snickerdoodle, 2023
Mixed media, enamel paint
520 x 140 x 150mm
NZ \$2,800



Cat
Fooks

Bog Bean, 2023
Mixed media, enamel paint
365 x 110 x 200mm
NZ \$1,800



Cat
Fooks

Watering Pot, 2023
Mixed media, enamel paint
150 x 90 x 75mm
NZ \$1,500



Isobel
Thom

Candleholder, 2023
Glazed stoneware
120 x 170 x 180mm
NZ \$1,100



Marcos
Guzman

Good Night Dear Shapes, 2022

Acrylic

265 x 190 x 190mm

and 57 x 107 x 90mm

NZ \$900 (set)



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022

Candle Holder Series

Steel, candle

190 x 110 x 50mm

NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022
Candle Holder Series
Steel, candle
110 x 75 x 75mm
NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022
Candle Holder Series
Steel, candle
125 x 100 x 100mm
NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022
Candle Holder Series
Steel, candle
55 x 155 x 150mm
NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022
Candle Holder Series
Steel, candle
110 x 103 x 100mm
NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022

Candle Holder Series

Steel, candle

110 x 140 x 100mm

NZ \$290



Allona
Goren

True Colours Come Shining Through
2022
Candle Holder Series
Steel, candle
130 x 200 x 200mm
NZ \$290



Benjamin
Lignel

Ici j'étudie / Là je tremble (pour Gaston Bachelard)

2023

Installation (set of 2)

Unglazed porcelain, steel, candles

300 x 290 x 40mm (x 2)

NZ \$1,350



Iris
Eichenberg

Untitled, 2022
Candle holder
Edition of 3
Oxidised copper
550 x 70 x 90mm
NZ \$980



Warwick
Freeman

Handle Candle Holder, 2016
Lava, tin, paint
155 x 160 x 180mm
NZ \$5,000



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Peanut Butter Wolf, 2023
Enamel painted bronze
50 x 20 x 15mm
NZ \$120 each



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Peanut Butter Wolf, 2023
Incense holder
Enamel painted bronze, faux
carved wood incense
50 x 20 x 15mm
NZ \$120



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Cucumber Slice, Slice, Slice,
2023

Incense holder

Enamel painted bronze

70 x 20 x 20mm

NZ \$165



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Cucumber Slice, Slice, Slice,
2023

Enamel painted bronze

70 x 20 x 20mm

NZ \$150 each



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Bon Rappetit with cucumber, 2023
Candle holder
Enamel painted bronze, faux carved
wood incense
80 x 60 x 120mm
NZ \$600



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Bon Rappetit, 2023
Incense holder
Enamel painted bronze, faux
carved wood incense
80 x 50 x 100mm
NZ \$500



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Mandys, 2023
Incense holder
Enamel painted bronze
65 x 65 x 50mm
NZ \$250



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Mandys, 2023
Candle holder
Enamel painted bronze
65 x 65 x 50mm
NZ \$250



Jacquelyn
Greenbank

Weetie, 2023
Incense holder
Enamel painted bronze, faux
carved wood incense
15 x 40 x 80mm
NZ \$300

