









UNDERGROUND

Underground further pursues Simone Eisler's fascination with the transformation of species over time.

Eisler's sculptural forms resemble armour and exoskeletons, mineral sedimentation and the fragmented remains of animals.

Her wrapped, masked and disintegrated creatures are like precious ancient relics and animals which have emerged from the undergrowth, both in a moment of creation and entropy.

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relentless quest to understand and explore concepts of time, space and form and above all transformation and change. Change is a fundamental

Underground continues Eisler's

property of the universe and the concepts we construct to understand this emerge from our mental efforts to organize the changing world around us. Underground is not only a

construct for the hidden layers of matter beneath our feet and consequent layers of history but also for the human unconscious. Underground is a series of

individual works but also a series

another form of representation -

of fragments of history and

evolution and possibly in sum

a garden, a strange place, a dark corner of the mind. Underground is a theory of everything and yet nothingness. Underground is presence and absence. Underground is a gallery exhibition and a museum display.

Look closely, the works could be relics, vestiges, remnants of an ancient forest where the

has transformed to dust and all that is left is armour and exoskeletons.

trees have collapsed, everything

Or are new kinds of creatures emerging even mutations, or are these the structures and objects left by unknown tribes? Are we looking at animals, humans or

simply mineral forms?

Illusion aside, whatever these forms are and represent, the overwhelming emphasis is on the idea of the hidden, on absence and negative space.

Eisler's viewpoint takes in the major geological changes and movements of the sea and earth, the fossils and the human histories and rites buried in the earth. She works with animal materials but also metals. It is not surprising to learn that her family were metallurgists in the Black Forest Mountains of Germany.

Her viewpoint also tries to make

sense of what we do with the relics, remnants and vestiges of what we find. How we display these clues is as much a clue as the clues themselves. Kevin Wilson 2012.



Doll, Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina

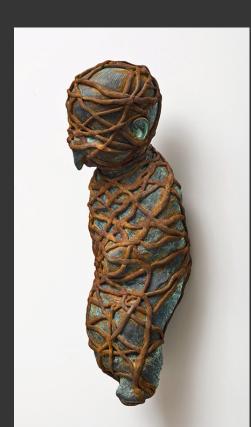
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Iron and Copper Patina 40 x 15 x 12 cm

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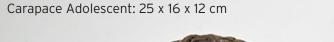
▼ CARAPACES - MOTHER AND ADOLESCENT



Doll, Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina

▲ BUNDLED HARBINGER III

36 x 11 x 10 cm



Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina

Carapace Mother: 32 x 22 x 20 cm





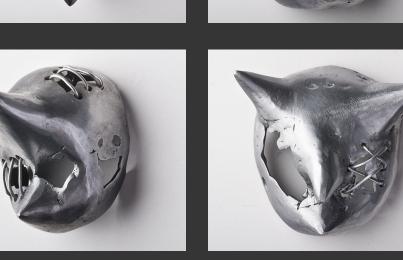






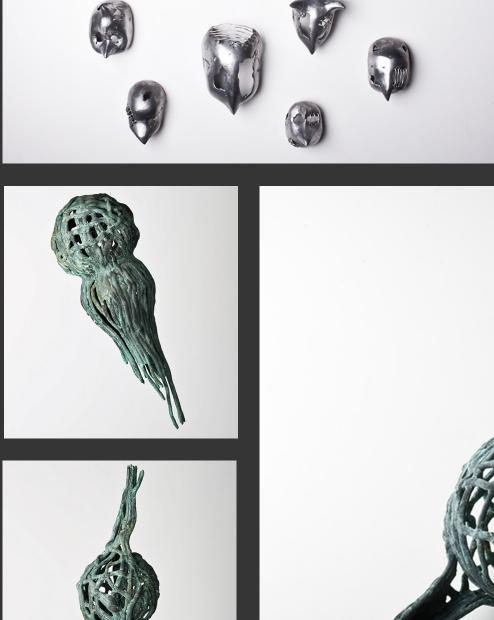




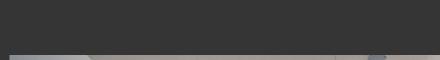


UNDERGROUND RELICS | Burnished alloy, Aluminium solder wire, Varnish | Variable - each approximately 11 x 8 x 7cm









▲ **HUSK IV** Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina 30 x 10 x 10 cm

▲ **HUSK III** Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina 30 x 10 x 9 cm

HUSK I

38 x 14 x 13 cm

Ceramic Polymer Resin, Iron and Copper Patina

