Tears of Things

Terhi Hakola, Alma & Brett Studholme

2 December – 20 December 2020

Incinerator Art Space

The exhibition explores universal themes told through the personal stories of three Sydney based artists, who originate from different parts of the world. In their creative practice they are tuned to the "tears of things" as carriers of voices and touch of the loved ones across the world; across the realms of space and time.

Terhi Hakola has built an imaginary house in which a childhood house and a recent destruction of family house in bushfires, interweave with dream and myth. Human longing dissolves with the tears of the house; the boundaries between inside and outside, light and dark, become uncertain. It is a story of talking to the house and hearing it talk back.

Alma and Brett Studholme's work weaves a personal story of a mother-daughter connection that is physically broken. Through material things, invisible threads become re-established – the hands still hold; the touch still warm. The "tears of things" become an ocean; the separating water turns into a mediator between worlds.

Foyer:

1. Brett Studholme **Presence/Absence No. 1**, 2019 Photograph printed on canvas H40.5 x W61 cm NFS

2. Brett Studholme *Presence/Absence No. 2*, 2019 Photograph printed on canvas H40.5 x W61 cm NFS

3. Brett Studholme *Presence/Absence No. 4*, 2019 Photograph printed on canvas H40.5 x W61 cm NFS 4. Terhi Hakola *Looking for Home 1*, 2020 Video still printed on paper H14.5 x W27 cm NFS

5. Terhi Hakola *Looking for Home 2*, 2020 Video still printed on paper H14.5 x W27 cm NFS

6. Terhi Hakola *Looking for Home 3*, 2020 Video still printed on paper H14.5 x W27 cm NFS

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Room 1 – Terhi Hakola

1. Terhi Hakola Personages at Home, 2020 Video with sound 4:31 min. NFS

2.

Terhi Hakola Other House, 2020 Sculptural installation with video and sound H200 x W200 x D300 cm Fabrication of the plywood structure: Phillip Hall NFS

Room 2 – Alma & Brett Studholme:

Clockwise from the first sculpture:

1. Alma Studholme Girl and the Moon, 2020 Earthenw are H62 x W58 x D37.5 cm \$2,000

2.

Alma Studholme Open Wound, 2020 Mixed media installation H31 x W31 x D6 cm NFS

Alma Studholme Hands, 2019

Mixed media installation Dimensions variable NFS

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3.

Alma Studholme Visceral, 2012 Glazed stoneware H80 x W30 x D33 cm NFS

5.

Alma Studholme Mother (Archetype), 2019 Stonew are H84 x W43 x D42 cm \$2,000

6.

Alma & Brett Studholme Three Waters: Tears, Tea, Sea, 2019 Single channel video with sound 15:32 min. NFS

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