

WHERE BODIES SLEEP

'WHERE BODIES SLEEP, WHERE BODIES WAKE' EXPLORES THE BODY AS AN ARCHIVE OF MEMORY. IT CONSIDERS THE WAYS WE HOLD ONTO ANCESTRAL KNOWLEDGE, HOW SLEEP BECOMES A SITE OF SUBCONSCIOUS INHERITANCE, AND HOW WAKING LIFE IS SHAPED BY THE WEIGHT OF WHAT CAME BEFORE. THE EXHIBITION MOVES BETWEEN STILLNESS AND MOTION, BETWEEN PRESENCE AND ABSENCE, BETWEEN FORGETTING AND REMEMBERING, USING THE BODY AS A VESSEL.



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EXHIBITION CATALOGUE

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ADRIAN KOHLER
BAMAKO AUDITION I
LITHOGRAPH
2015
57 X 76 CM
LSL 16,043.50 INC VAT

Adrian Kohler's Bamako Audition I and II transform technical blueprints of Bamako Puppets into living beings; figures that seem to gaze back at you, alive on paper.



ADRIAN KOHLER
BAMAKO AUDITION II
LITHOGRAPH
2015
57 X 75.5 CM
LSL 16,058.45 INC VAT

"Puppet blueprints come to life, where every line and joint seems to breathe, giving the figures a gaze that feels fully animated."



BOITUMELO LETHLOKO
BEYOND SELF
MIXED MEDIUM
2022
50.9 X 38.6 CM
LSL 4,337.65 INC VAT

"Boitumelo Lethloko's Beyond Self series captures the raw, uncertain journey of introspection, where dualities collide and the self is both discovered and estranged."



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“A raw portrayal of the tangled dualities within the mind, where clashing reds, greens, and purples embody the chaos of two selves confronting each other.”



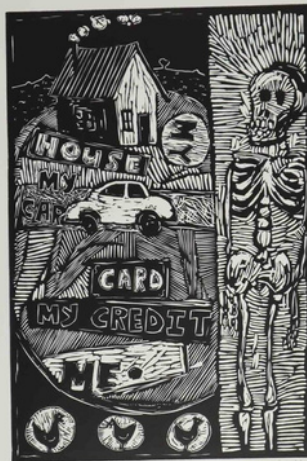
DISCOVERY
COLBERT MASHILE
LINOCUT
2012
195.5 X 107 CM
LSL 36,659.55 INC VAT

"Colbert Mashile's series confronts the intersection of culture, history, and modern identity where customs, and modern identity expose the tensions of belonging."



DOWN AND DUSTED
COLBERT MASHILE
ETCHING
2013
55.5 X 41 CM
LSL 13,010.60 INC VAT

"A stark portrait of suffocation where history's grip tightens around the neck, leaving only silence and unease."



LOST AND FOUND
COLBERT MASHILE
ETCHING
2015
47 X 62 CM
LSL 13,284.25 INC VAT

"A critique of modern consumer culture showing a hollow figure next to their possessions where identity collapses under the weight of debt and materialism."

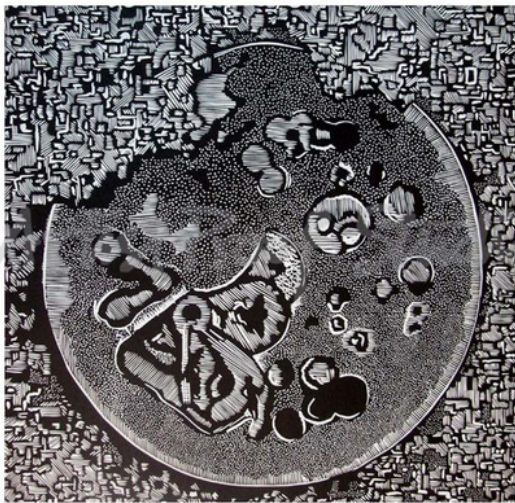


CITY DWELLERS
DAVID KOLOANE
DRYPOINT
2019
56 X 73.4 CM
LSL 9,091.75 INC VAT

“Created in the final year of his life, David Koloane’s City Dwellers stands as a rare and powerful legacy work from one of South Africa’s most influential artists.”

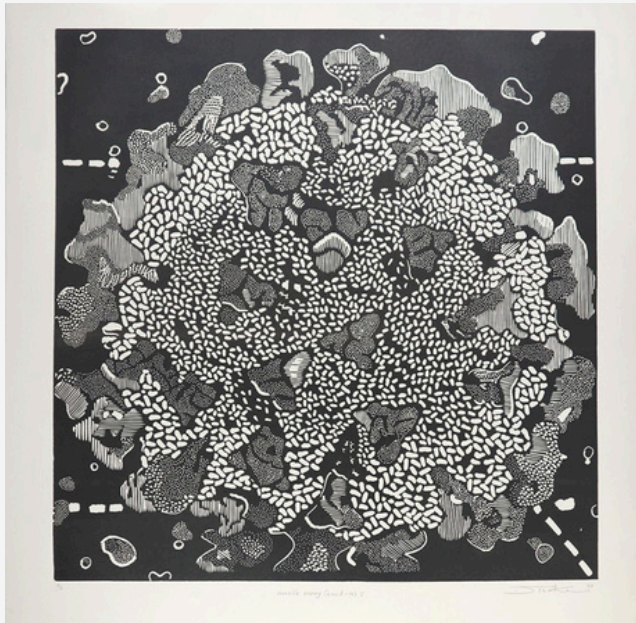


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2019
56 X 73.4 CM
LSL 9,091.75 INC VAT



DEEP INSIDE
DAVID TSOKA
LINOCUT
2020
79.5 X 69.4 CM
LSL 5,59 INC VAT

"David Tsoka's pieces resemble cells under a microscope, a powerful reminder that memory and history live on within our DNA."



DAVID TSOKA
INVISIBLE ENEMY (COVID 19)
LINOCUT
2019
50 X 50 CM
LSL 13,418.80INC VAT

"A haunting reminder of the unseen threat that invaded our bodies, our homes, and our sense of safety."



TOUCHES ON EARTH
DAVID TSOKA
MONOPRINT & EMBOSSING
2024
50 X 50 CM
LSL 6,580.15 INC VAT

"Microscopic traces remind us that even the smallest forms of life leave their mark on our shared ground."



ZIMISELE
DAVID MADLABANE
SILKSCREEN
2022 (?)
50 X 35.5 CM
LSL 5,626.60 INC VAT

“David Madlabane's Zimisele is a blue-hued self-portrait that explores how we are seen by others, conveying purpose, resilience and hope in a quiet act of transformation.”



BY AND BY
DUDU BLOOM MORE
SCREEN PRINT

2019

55.3 X 39.5 CM

LSL 5,787.80 INC VAT

“DuduBloom More’s works trace the delicate balance between the inner self and the communities that shape us, revealing how identity and mental health are continuously formed by us internally and the people around us.”



TENSE COMFORT (IMPRESSION II)
DUDU BLOOM MORE
PHOTOLITHO
2019
50 X 33.5 CM
LSL 6,011.73 INC VAT

“A shadow sways between presence and absence, where the body’s fleeting motion outlives itself in memory.”



TENSE COMFORT (IMPRESSION II)
DUDU BLOOM MORE
PHOTOLITHO
2019
50 X 33.5 CM
LSL 6,011.73 INC VAT

“A fading body dissolves into fabric and shadow, while below, untamed fragments of dance burst alive in defiance of disappearance.”



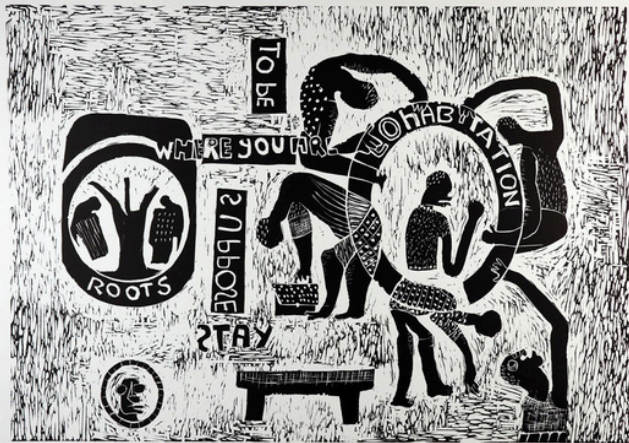
BRAAI UNDER THE CLOUDY SKY
JOEL MPAH DOOH
ETCHING
2011
50 X 64 CM
LSL 19,611.68 INC VAT

“Joel Mpah Dooh’s work captures the fragility of identity in the city, where we reinvent ourselves amid fleeting social connections.”



RECREATING THE WORLD II
JOEL MPAH DOOH
ETCHING
2011
70 X 50 CM
LSL 18,871.65 INC VAT

"Two voices collide, their words
swelling into a fragile bubble that
holds both connection and collapse."



JOEL MPAH DOOH
 UNTITLED (COHABITATION)
 LINOCUT
 2011
 70 X 100 CM
 LSL 21,723.53 INC VAT

"Figures navigate the delicate act of existing together, constantly reshaping themselves under the weight of memory, community, and survival."



RECREATING THE WORLD II
JOEL MPAH DOOH
ETCHING
2011
70 X 50 CM
LSL 18,871.65 INC VAT

“Children wait, their innocence
overshadowed by the demanding
world of work that keeps their
parents away.”



AMATHANGA AHLANZELA ABANGENA
LAWRENCE LEMAOANA
SILKSCREEN
2024
35 X 50 CM
LSL 18,457.60 INC VAT

"Lawrence Lemaona reclaims the kanga cloth to expose the propagandistic power of media, weaving ancestral memory into sharp political satire."



DELICATE DEFENSE (II)
LESEGO TATIANA DITSHOGO
LINOCUT

2022
41.2 X 27.7 CM
LSL 2,627.83 INC VAT

"Lesego Tatiana Ditshego's work
reclaims female identity by turning the
body into both wound and weapon,
confronting histories of exploitation
and the fight for self-protection."



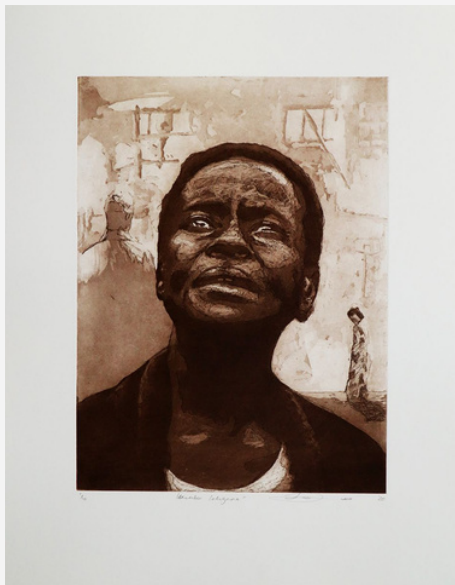
DELICATE DEFENSE (II)
LESEGO TATIANA DITSHEGO
LINOCUT
2022
41.2 X 27.7 CM
LSL 2,627.83 INC VAT

“Lesego Tatiana Ditshego reimagines the female body as scar and shield, forcing a reckoning with exploitation while asserting defiance and survival.”



ITHEMBA ELIHLE
LINDO ZWANE
LINOCUT
2018
75.5 X 46.5 CM
LSL 7,388.74INC VAT

"Lindo Zwane's portraits confront the weight of memory and the reality of the present, transforming emotion into a process of catharsis and hope."



ITHEMBA LOKUGCINA
LINDO ZWANE
ETCHING
2020
57 X 43.5 CM
LSL 10,398.90 INC VAT

"This piece channels memory and present struggle into a portrait that portrays loss yet grasps at the possibility of renewal."



ITHEMBA LOKUGCINA
LINDO ZWANE
ETCHING
2020
57 X 43.5 CM
LSL 10,398.90 INC VAT

"From the ruins and pain of memory rises a winged figure, seated in quiet defiance, holding fast to the promise that light endures."



ITHEMBA LOKUGCINA
LINDO ZWANE
ETCHING
2020
57 X 43.5 CM
LSL 10,398.90 INC VAT

“Amid chaos, a solitary figure finds refuge in the quiet ritual of reading and sipping, carving calm from turmoil.”



© A. T. "Seated in Authority yet Shadowed by Turmoil" Lindo Zwane 2020

ITHEMBA LOKUGCINA
LINDO ZWANE
ETCHING
2020
57 X 43.5 CM
LSL 10,398.90 INC VAT

"Seated in authority yet shadowed by turmoil, a haloed figure embodies resilience amid the storms of existence."



CLOTHED IN BLUE
MOSA KAISER
ETCHING
2024
50 X 35 CM
LSL 11,476.21 INC VAT

"Mosa Kaiser's *Clothed in Blue* turns the mannequin into a metaphor for the body as machine—functional, fragile, and ultimately finite."



EMCIMBINI (I)
MUSAWENKOSI DUMA
SCREEN PRINT
2023
85 X 63 CM
LSL 6,766.70 INC VAT

"A young girl in Xhosa attire stands at the threshold of adolescence, embodying tradition, growth, and the delicate rites of passage."



EMCIMBINI (II)
MUSAWENKOSI DUMA
SCREEN PRINT
2023
87 X 35 CM
LSL 4,913.55INC VAT

"Clad in Xhosa tradition, she embodies the quiet strength and promise of youth stepping into the complexities of adulthood."



IKHAYA KUZOHLALA KULIKHAYA
SAMUKELO GQOLA
LINOCUT
2023
47.4 X 58 CM
LSL 7,780.05 INC VAT

"Samukelo Gqola's work reflects on migration and identity, reminding us that even as we seek new horizons, home will always be home."



WIND OF POWER
SAMUKELO GQOLA
DIGITAL PRINT
2023
29.7 X 42 CM
LSL 3,679.20INC VAT

"A figure draped in a traditional Sesotho blanket is crowned with an old windmill, and navigates the tension between heritage and change; reminding us that no matter how far we travel, home shapes who we are."



EVERYDAY HUSTLE
THEMBA KHUMALO
ETCHING
2015
69 X 123 CM
LSL 17,568.40INC VAT

"Through dark, moody cityscapes, Themba Khumalo explores Johannesburg as a symbol of connection, isolation, and memory."



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'Khumalo Ekhaya'

© Khumalo '23

KHUMBULA EKHAYA
THEMBA KHUMALO
ETCHING

2015

39.7 X 47.2 CM

LSL 19,757.60INC VAT

"A lone shack stands under a heavy, brooding sky, while towering pylons loom; silent witnesses to isolation, survival, and the tenuous threads that bind the city."



SILENT PRAYER
THEMBA KHUMALO
ETCHING

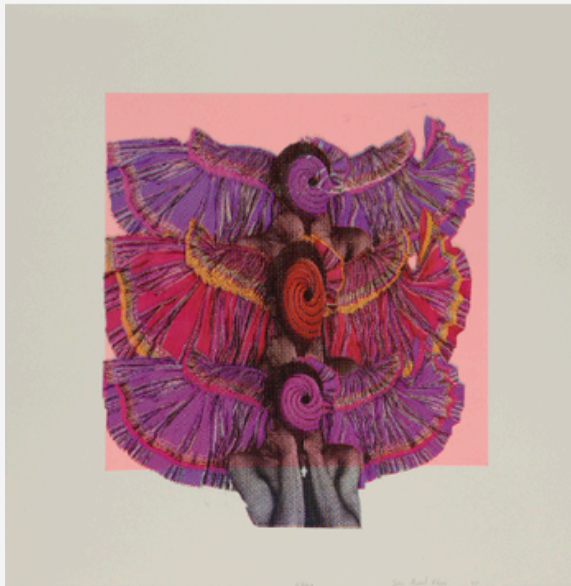
2016
61.5 X 75.5 CM
LSL 14,740.92 INC VAT

"In Silent Prayer, lifeless bodies and a brooding cityscape confront the fragility of life amid the harsh realities of urban existence."



UMKHANYISI
THEMBA KHUMALO
ETCHING
2023
39.7 X 47.2 CM
LSL 19,510.93 INC VAT

"A small pond lies exposed beneath a brooding sky, a quiet testament to fragility and solitude in the vast countryside."



XIHLOKA
TSAKO HOBYANI
SILK SCREEN
2023
50 X 50 CM
LSL 3,142.29INC VAT

"A spiraling child with wings, repeated in dreamlike hues, embodies the layers of innocence, transformation, and the unfolding journey of self."



NO HEROISM IS GREATER THAN
MOTHERHOOD
WELILE DUBE
ETCHING EMBOSSING
2023
48 X 34 CM
LSL 6,413.77 INC VAT

“A visual hymn to the strength,
patience, and unconditional
love that defines motherhood.”