RECONNECTING

Hugo Lami Sustainability First Artist in Residence with UK Power Networks

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Reconnecting Exhibition

1-10 July 2021 (11 am-6pm)

Sustainability First's 'Reconnecting' exhibition at the Bermondsey Project Space, is about making connections to each other, nature and technology during the Covid-19 pandemic. The exhibition is split into two parts, featuring artworks by Hugo Lami, Sustainability First's artist in residence at UK Power Networks (first floor), and shortlisted works from the Sustainability First Art Prize 2020 (ground floor and basement). Each showcase has a separate catalogue.

This catalogue covers a series of work by Hugo Lami, including an installation, photographs and sculptures that use e-waste to explore the interconnectedness of nature, technology, energy and life. By breaking down e-waste and putting it back together, Hugo's work highlights the ways in which technology mimics nature and how the two are co-dependent.

"When machines stop working, or when a better version comes along and they get replaced, they become objects. Objects can be sculptures... I feel responsible to make them stand for themselves, so I rebuild them, add them to other materials, recycle parts, bend them until they look like they've never had any other purpose or function beyond standing there, for you."

"We hope to rewire you to a world you've been isolated from and to reconnect you with the power that culture and art have, because art is as essential as energy."

- Hugo Lami, Sustainability First Artist in Residence at UK Power Networks.

Hugo Lami has a Masters in Sculpture from the Royal College of Art and a Degree in Painting from the Lisbon Fine Arts Academy. He has been exhibiting in galleries and institutional spaces across Europe since 2014. He won the 2021 Neon Gallery Art Award and is now represented by Neon Gallery. Hugo was born in Portugal, he currently lives and works in London.

The exhibition and artist residency have been brought together by Sustainability First and supported by UK Power Networks. Sustainability First is a think-tank and charity that works in essential services to promote practical solutions to improve environmental, social and economic wellbeing. UK Power Networks is the country's biggest electricity distributor, making sure the lights stay on for more than eight million homes and businesses across London, the South East and the East of England.

For more information, visit: www.sustainabilityfirst.org.uk



1. DC Dreams (02), Digital Print in Aluminium, 50 x 70cm, 2020 £1000 (edition of 10)



2. AC Dreams (01), Digital Print in Brass, 50 x 70cm, 2020 £1000 (edition of 10)



3. DC Dreams (01), Digital Print in Brass 50 x 70cm, 2020 £1000 (edition of 10)



4. AC Dreams (02), Digital Print in Aluminium 50 x 70cm, 2020 £1000 (edition of 10)



5. Danger of death, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



6. Soul Charger, plaster, stainless steel, electronic waste, cardboard, varnish, 150 x 200 x 100 cm, 2020 £2000



7. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



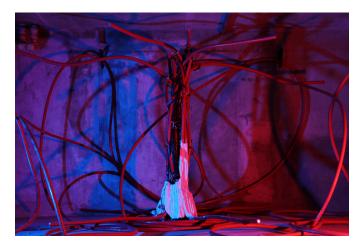
8. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



9. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



10. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



11. Untitled.obj, Digital Print, 80 x 120 cm, 2021 £3000 (edition of 3)

The sculpture captured in Untitled.obj is a memorial piece dedicated to the memory of the UK Power Networks colleagues who sadly lost their lives to Covid-19, as well as to any UK Power Networks colleagues who sadly lost friends and family throughout the pandemic.



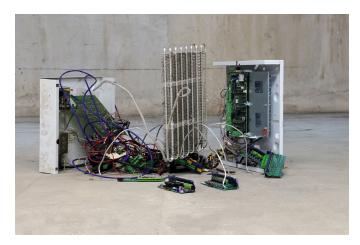
12. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



13. Untitled, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021 £1000 (edition of 10)



14. Metal waste only, Digital Print, 40 x 60 cm, 2021, £1000 (edition of 10)



15. Untitled.crab.Obj , E-waste, 60 x 50 x 50 cm, 2020, £1000



