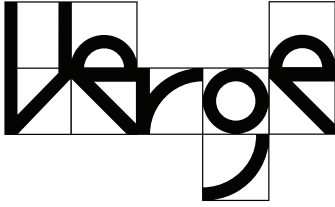


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**"NOT BORN DIGITAL"**

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Exploring myths surrounding the transformation from physical to intangible data, "Not Born Digital" questions concepts of value, narrative, database and language produced by interactions with digital technology. Arguably, processes of digital hoarding— or the de-materialisation of physical possessions, and their transformation into digital assemblages—suggest implied narratives that are somehow embedded within the material world. The exhibition reimagines these narratives that might emerge in digital record keeping through speculating upon their continuous relationship to the material world. "Not Born Digital" explores the potential of digital scanning to enable a hybrid materialisation of bodied and disembodied information. By extension, this process also invites an examination of the kind of languages, grammars and poetics that potentially govern these hybrid forms.



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## EXHIBITION DETAILS

### CLOCKWISE

**"Big Data"**, HD video, 10:19, 2019.

**"The uncertainty of being able to sleep"**, bronze casts of 3D printed objects, wall vinyl, 2020.

Tree branch and clay sculptures:

**"Remnants of Gravity"**, bronze, air drying clay, dimensions variable, 2020.

**"Image of a stone that fell out of the sky in 1868"**, photographic print, 20x30cm, 2020.

Interactive work:

**"All My Chameleon Signals"**, interactive website of 3D scanned personal items, 2019 – ongoing.

\*Collaborative text, written with Cynthia Arrieu-King and an artificial neural network

## To the Transmission of Ambient Tenderness

[An imagined possibility]

We wake amongst things and objects we touched, which still bear the memory of our breath.

At night our waking thoughts surround us.

While we dream, I can't remember my face. When I close my eyes, I've completely forgotten yours, and you. It's easy to obscure an image.

The newspaper article said the smoke had circumnavigated our planet. Much further away the ocean replied to our heavy pollution with something else. It searched our thoughts and extracted small islands of memory. In its carved-out hollow, everything we had been told started to melt. A softening mountain of nouns. Towards it, we glow in the dark like unconscious photocopies, misplacing our sense of space until landmasses begin to form on all surfaces.

We were chatting about boundaries.  
The next morning there were several more.

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The uncertainty of being able to sleep, it sounds like leaves on tree branches, rustling.

Attach strips of paper to the chimney at 5am  
there will be half a minute of lightness.

3D print	copy	lunch	seed
5-cent pieces	crystal	Maneki Neko	shape
Acropolis	cup	mask	shapes
alphabet	currency	medal	shell
amethyst	cutlery	mess	sidewalk
angel	daffodil	miniatures	soap
apple	Darth Vader	moon	soap bubbles
ashtray	dinosaur	motorcycle	soft toy
avocado	dish	mushroom	souvenir
ballgown	dried flower	my mother's hand	spikes
balloon	ear	necklace	stapler
banksia pod	earring	notebook	starfish
bath toy	egg	owl	statue
battery	egg cup	package	storage
beanie	emergency blanket	packaging	strawberry
beans	eucalyptus	paper crane	street
beetroot	flower	passport	sugar bowl
belt	flower	Paau shell	symbol
Berlin Wall	Gameboy	peach	symbol
biscuits	garlic cloves	pepper shaker	tampon
bitemark	globe	perfume	tealight
blister pack	grapes	pieces	tennis ball
blossom	grey mass	pill	thorn
bomboniere	gumnut	pine cone	tin
bones	hair tie	pliers	tissue
boobs	hairbrush	plums	toast
bracelet	hard drive	popular culture	tomato
bronze	headphones	porcelain bird	tomato paste
bubble sculpture	heart	porcelain camera	tooth
butter wrapper	heirloom	powder brush	toothbrush
camera	horse legs	pretzels	unicorn
chains	house keys	pumpkin	USB stick
charger	houses	pyrite crystal	USB sticks
chicken bone	indoor plant	quartz crystal	vase
chicken figurine	institutions	reading lamp	vertebra
clip	jar	ring	waking thoughts
cloth	kernel	rock	watch
cobble stone	keyring	rubber cat	whistle
coffee filter	leaf	Rubik's cube	wishbone
coin	leftover	scarf	wool
confirmation	letter	sculpture	word pile
console	locket		world
container			yoghurt