

'ESSENSSE'

HOSSEI

14 February - 24 April

Launch: Thursday 15 February, 6-9pm

Performances:

14 February 12pm

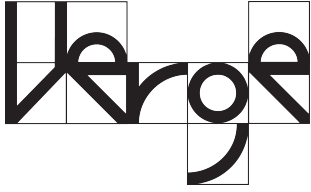
15 February 6:30pm

22 February 6:30pm

Quiet Hours: 10-11am, Tuesdays and Fridays

ESSENSSE began when HOSSEI became fascinated by the sand dollar sea creatures—their shape, features, and how in mediaeval times it was truly believed that sand dollars were mermaid currency. When looking at the sand dollar, HOSSEI realised that if you were to remove the physical characteristics of a human body, you would be left with a mouth and an anus, just like the sand dollar. It is this idea that compelled HOSSEI to make the sand dollar an emblem of the show. An entry point and an exit, not just with food, but in the sense of discerning which energies come through and nourish the insides, and which are let out. ESSENSSE is about letting go and being one with the spirit, and embracing its purity and vulnerability.

ESSENSSE is an aquatic ecosystem that explores the tenacity of the human spirit, stripping away corporeal human qualities and revealing what's underneath. ESSENSSE is the third instalment to what HOSSEI calls his "sister shows," O, presented at UTS Gallery & Art Collection (NSW) in 2023, and later THUNDERBLOOM at West Space (VIC) in 2023. Where O focused on the physical body, being up in the air and in transit, and THUNDERBLOOM looked at the human psyche, the weather in the mind, a stormy night – ESSENSSE is the next morning, the BODY, MIND, SPIRIT after a big night, looking at the sea for new beginnings.



List of works

ESSSENSSE Costumes

POA

OCTO MUM

PROUD TIN

SEA CUCUMBERS:
WORMHOLES 1-5

SCUBA STOMPERS:
BREATH SHINE
BALLROOM BOOB STOMP TWIN #1
BALLROOM BOOB STOMP TWIN #2

ANTENNA SPIRITS:
STAR POWER
MY NIGHT
HEAT WAVE

ATTENDANTS:
TIDE WIPE
CLEAR WIPE
WIPE HIDE

NEON SPIRITS (R-L)

DragOman, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
830 x 730mm
\$750.00

Pungi~Fungi, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
640 x 640mm
\$650.00

SOAPI, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
320 x 370mm
\$250

Crystal Care, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
440 x 400mm
\$350

SSSiphonophore, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
500 x 560mm
\$550

Nostalgie~Algae, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
820 x 810mm
\$750

Magnes, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
330 x 320mm
\$250

FOAMI, 2023

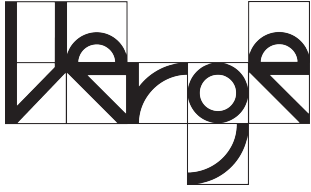
Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
470 x 515mm
\$550

LOVE-GIVE, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
420 x 450mm
\$550

tini lyfe, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
300 x 360mm
\$250



NEON SPIRITS (R-L)

H.O.S, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
270 x 330mm
NFS

ZINC, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
270 x 330mm
\$250

CELL SHELL, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
690 x 820mm
\$650

SPLAT!, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
995 x 745mm
\$750

CC, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
430 x 450mm
\$350

SWAMP KING, 2023

Custom made LED neon mounted on Perspex
850 x 855mm
\$750

BLESSENSSE by HOSSEI

LOVEKNOTS \$95.00

SEA CHARMS BIG \$45

SEA CHARM SINGLE : \$25

SHELL NECKLACE \$295.00

STARFISH (BIG) \$65.00

STARFISH (MEDIUM) \$55.00

STARFISH (SMALL) \$45.00

SANDDOLLAR diSSSc bag : \$45

All prices exclude GST