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Alyson
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In these new photographic and sculptural pieces, Alyson Mowat investigates the relationship between two natural elements, juxtaposing the organic and the inorganic qualities of plants and minerals, respectively, resulting in the great aesthetic beauty that nature delivers.

The association of the seemingly stabilised crystals and the breakdown of the plant as it decays towards death, evokes the relationship that exists often in nature between parasite and host, begging a comparison of the parasitic association we hold with our own world.

The sculptural pieces Mowat has created exclusively for this exhibition at Sketch, where the physical plants are held, suspended, in space but not in time, show directly the consuming effects of the crystals in relation to their fragile host.

Despite the seemingly opposing structural changes, both the plants and crystals move, gradually, towards a decline in order.

The photographs have been produced in collaboration with photographer Tal Silverman.

Alyson Mowat specialises in botanical sculpture, often encapsulating or suspending her living works. She explores the ephemeral, natural change and preservation allowing her work to evolve as nature takes its course offering the beauty of things imperfect, impermanent and incomplete.

Alongside her personal artistic practice, Mowat established Botanique in 2013. Botanique creates bespoke installations with the ethos of elevating plants to works of art.

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Tal Silverman is a conceptual Still Life Photographer whose iconic images combine drama with an acute awareness of the intrinsic patterns and geometry of the world. A meticulous attention to detail and aesthetics produces clean, graphic, intriguing and striking imagery.

Working out of his London studio, he combines commercial advertising and editorial commissions with personal projects and collaborations with other artists.

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