



'Stardust'

Exhibited at Clotworthy Arts Centre

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Artist Statement

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*'Life begins with the process of star formation. We are made of stardust. Every atom of every element in your body, except hydrogen, has been manufactured inside stars, scattered across the Universe in great stellar explosions, and recycled to become part of you...'*¹

Planets and stars transform into nebular clouds in a revolution of dynamic change, yet this heavenly upheaval also continues into everyday life. To make the connection to cosmic recycling the ordinary becomes extraordinary when harnessing the idea of metamorphosis. Atoms are consumed in the form of food, constantly changing and altering their appearance, one day a blade of grass, then a butterfly, next a snail. Small minute details of nature are intriguing; simple objects are fascinating. Each artwork in the Stardust series attempts to question how the everyday world is perceived.

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¹ John Gribbin, Stardust, (Penguin Press Science)