

# SOLO EXHIBITION FOR LEONIE

Nilma installation artist Leonie Ryan will hold a new solo exhibition titled "Aeracura"

at the Vault Gallery in Trafalgar from November 28 to December 27.

Utilising a variety of mixed media including Perspex and epoxy resin for her concepts and de-

signs, Leonie's exhibition features over a dozen sets of artworks.

Amongst the two and three dimensional art pieces are sculptures of ice, fanciful flowers and powerful, symbolic wall art.

Leonie said the exhibition is a beautiful exploration and expression of fanciful and simplistic beauty, exploring nature through visual language.

She said the exhibition refers to natural energies, symbols and patterns rearranged, including a combination of philosophies from China, Africa, Egypt and Celtic.

Leonie said the title of the exhibition "Aeracura" comes from a Celtic and Germanic goddess who multitasks as an Earth Mother deity, a fairy queen and a bridge between earthly life and the hereafter.

Leonie will also use lighting and sound effects during the exhibition to highlight her ice sculpture pieces. Located in a dark room, aqua and green lighting will illuminate grains of the material and water sound effects to symbolise water melting will be heard.

As an installation artist,

Leonie said she enjoys working with and exploring different mediums and materials. Having worked on "Aeracura" since March, Leonie's next exhibition will feature works that include her love of photography.

"Aeracura" is Leonie's fourth solo exhibition in three years. Her latest solo exhibition, "Lateral Rhythms", was held earlier this year at the La Trobe Regional Gallery and explored the theme of time.

She has also been involved in numerous group exhibitions over the past six years including those with local art group "Wild Dogs from Down Under".

Leonie has completed a visual arts and media diploma at Yallourn TAFE and is currently in the process of completing an undergraduate degree of visual art and design at Monash University, Churchill.

"Aeracura" will be held at the Vault Gallery in Trafalgar from November 28 to December 27. She will hold an artist presentation this Saturday between 2pm and 4pm.

The Vault Gallery is located at 93 Princes Hwy, Trafalgar and is open from 11am to 7pm Friday and 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday.

For further information contact the Vault Gallery on 5633 3231.



*Sculptures of ice and flowers as well as symbolic wall art will be on display at Leonie Ryan's new solo exhibition "Aeracura" at the Vault Gallery, Trafalgar commencing on Friday.*