## Oriel Gelf Glynn Vivian Art Gallery

## Marcus Beck & Simon Macro, Nao Matsunaga, Dawn Youll Diversions

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Though diverse, these works are connected not just through their play on surface, but also by a compelling awareness of narrative, no matter how functional the structures.

Marcus Beck & Simon Macro are a remarkable duo known as Freshwest, who produce and design art furniture in Tenby, Wales. Both studied fine art and with their subtle humour reflect a paradoxical approach to furniture design. Nao Matsunaga's sensuous, muted sculptural ceramics suggest organic growth, juxtaposing smooth curves with sharp angular entries into dark architectural interiors, whilst Dawn Youll's diverse ceramic work takes an investigational role into the complex process of perception. Rich in colour and finely structured by ideas, her work often relates to playful abstractions of mundane objects. Dawn studied at University of Wales Institute Cardiff.

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