



YOU TWINKLE SUSPENDED IN THE SPACE BETWEEN THE LEAVES

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N.A.S.A.L. is pleased to present *You twinkle suspended in the space between the leaves*, a solo-project by Colombian artist Sofía Bonilla Otoyá (Cali, 1993).

Living and working between Paris, France and Cali, Colombia, Bonilla Otoyá studied philosophy at the Sorbonne (Paris IV) and completed a masters degree at the School of Fine Arts (ENSBA Paris) where she was part of the studios of Julien Creuzet and Abraham Cruzvillegas.

Sofía's work often starts out as language, as phrases, word associations, made up scenarios. She describes her sculptures, installations and video works as material attempts at embodying poetical, fictional possibilities.

Her work has been exhibited at the Magasin CNAC in Grenoble, Salón Acme art fair and Campeche Gallery in CDMX and the Théâtre des Expositions in Paris.

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I almost began by saying it's been a while since we talked. But that wouldn't have been true. And a lie can't be a start.

We talk often. Or, I talk to you often.

I look for you in all things that repeat, I try to bring me back through repetition. It's your breathing I remember the most. You did teach me how to pray.

I made you a night dress with the petals of blue hydrangeas and the oval leaves of the eucalyptus, so the moon would find you covered in flowers and trees.

The porcelain of your china, that kissed our daily lips, is sustained by the architecture of the uchuva husk. A vessel for a vessel.

Constellations of lead, everywhere forgotten. Through a tear in space, a creature, a flower, an absent body can rise.

I hid a box under a blanket. Not remembering where to start.

I cut tin stars, tin eyes and made myself some crowns so that when they twinkle I can find you.

I made myself some crowns so that when the tin stars twinkle I can find you.

Sentimental strategies for drifting.

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1993

EDUCATION

2023
MA Visual Arts
Ecole Nationale Supérieure des
Beaux-Arts de Paris, France

2021
BA Visual Arts
Ecole Nationale Supérieure des
Beaux-Arts de Paris, France

2019
MA Philosophy (Summa Cum
Laude)
Sorbonne Université (Paris IV),
France

SOLO SHOWS

2023
Laberinto Carrusel
ENSBA, Paris, France

2021
Auwa Rara
ENSBA, Paris, France

GROUP SHOWS

2023
ailleurs est ce rêve proche, de
murmures d'eaux confiantes (...)
Magasin CNAC, Grenoble, France

Aire Fresco en el Verano del Amor
Galeria Campeche, CDMX,
Mexico

ENSEMBLE
OSTRA Gallery, Lisbon, Portugal

2022
Clamor progresista
Centro cultural El nigromante,
San Miguel de Allende, Mexico

A Single Violet Transplant
Théâtre des expositions, Paris,
France

2019
Los restos de la noche
DUST gallery, Bogota, Colombia

FAIR PARTICIPATION

2024
Proyectos Públicos (curated by
Ana Castella)
Salon Acme no °11, CDMX,
Mexico

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