



The Gems, Wall Piece

Niki Danai

EDITION Delvis ()Limited - unique piece		The piece explores themes of monstrosity, addiction, mental health struggles, and serves as an allegory for depression. It reflects the transformation of a woman, my sister, cursed to become a sleepless, addicted, and lonely monster, blending woman and snake.
DETAILS		MORE INFO:
BODY:	Ceramic	'The pieces are part of my project 'MMXV Bestiary' exploring monstrosity amid Greece's post-2008 financial crisis, highlighting the resulting impact of violence, poverty, and youth unemployment. Drawing from personal experiences, I wrote semi-fictional stories that merge mental health struggles and substance abuse with ancient myths of innocents cursed into monsters. The mythical creatures are entangled with their modern counterparts, bound by unjust social contracts. Their stories are mixed and overlapping: Claws merge with cocaine and tails with Xanax. Each piece embodies a monster's story, with clay, like myths, transcending time, mirroring emotions caught between hardness and fragility.'
FINISH:	Metallic glaze	
SIZE:	L: 150 x W: 3 x H: 230 cm L: 59.06" x W: 1.18" x H: 90.55"	
NET WEIGHT:	60 kg, 132,28 lb	
YEAR:	2024	
PRICE:	Upon request	



Exhibition:

The Theatre Of Things

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Delvis (Un)limited - 6th to 13th of April 2025

The collectible design gallery/brand Delvis (Un)limited presents an exhibition-performance that showcases life in a living space designed by 7 designers. Challenged to juxtapose and intertwine their languages, the designers are also invited to live in the space day and night, bringing to life a sort of domestic stage on the street. The exhibition is curated by Valentina Ciuffi and Joseph Grima. The creative direction is by Studio Vedèt, and the set design is by Space Caviar.



BIO DESIGNER:

Niki Danai Chania is a multidisciplinary artist and creative director based in Amsterdam and Athens. She studied in Greece and the Netherlands before co-founding the art and design practice Un.Processed.Realities in 2019 and the ESTO Association in 2021, a nonprofit collaborative studio in Athens that merges art, design, and politics. Her work explores the interplay between reality, fiction, and mythology, using text and visual storytelling to challenge power imbalances and reframe historical narratives. Through sculpture—often accompanied by sound, video, or drawings—she creates immersive pieces that highlight the tension between past and present, oppression and resistance, despair and devotion. Materiality plays a key role in amplifying the emotional depth of her themes, reinforcing the coexistence of struggle and beauty.