

CLAUDIA STONE GALLERY

Derrick Guild

(b. 1963, Perth, Scotland)

Artist Statement: *Crop (Champagne Version)*, 2013

"The parsnip titled "Crop (Champagne Version)" is part of my ongoing series of wall mounted CZ diamond studded earth grown vegetables. I am trying to put something everyday and almost invisible (the parsnip) together with something that is perceived to be beautiful and of great value (fake diamonds that should really be real diamonds). Both come from the earth. It is a kind of absurd celebration of both high and low. I also think of it as wall jewelry."

The Scottish artist Derrick Guild is an artist who seems to go out of his way to make certain that nothing that he does appears trendy or avant-garde or looks anything like modernism – or even post modernism. This gives his work a sly conceptual edge unlike anything else around today and makes it avant-garde despite itself. It veers into the surrealist with elements of surprise, unexpected juxtapositions and non sequitur.

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