- 1. Performance Puppies, 2019 earthenware 33 x 17 x 17 cm \$50 each
- 2. Pugnacious, 2019 porcelain dimensions variable \$1,500 for three or \$550 each
- 3. Prima Donna, 2017 tinted porcelain and feathers 14 x 7 x 5 cm \$600 (with stand)
- 4. Show Girl, 2017
  porcelain, feathers and fake
  gemstones
  10 x 7 x 10 cm
  \$600 (with stand)
- 5. Princess, 2017
  porcelain, satin, tulle and taffeta
  12 x 13 x 12 cm
  \$600 (with stand)
- 6. Grace, 2018
  bronze, stoneware and
  earthenware
  dimensions variable
  \$1,500

- 7. Fifi Dog bodies, 2019 porcelain, brocade and collar 23 x 10 x 14cm \$500
- 8. Despair, 2019 porcelain 17 x 16 x 14 cm \$550
- 9. *Misery*, 2019 porcelain 15 x 21 x 14 cm \$550
- 10. *Agony*, 2019 porcelain 17 x 20 x 14 cm \$550
- 11. Bling and her Babies, 2017 tinted porcelain, cardboard, ribbon and tissue paper dimensions variable \$900
- 12. Gene Pool, 2019
  270 earthenware paws,
  aluminium
  100 x 24 cm
  \$1,100

- 13. Lily, 2019
  porcelain and bone ash
  15 x 21 x 23 cm
  not for sale
- 14. Rocky, 2018 toast clay and mixed media 45 x 35 x 47 cm \$650
- 15. Outcast, 2019 stoneware and vinyl collar 97 x 76 x 29 cm \$950
- 16. Wag Tail Park, 2019 earthenware 7.5 square metres POA
- 17. Wag Tail Park, 2019
  video courtesy of James Rhodes
  MP4
  00:10:01
  POA





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## BY THE GOOD GRACE VICKI HAMILTON

Gene Pool is my response to the intense interbreeding of a selection of five popular pure breed dogs; terriers, mastiffs, sight hounds, labradors and poodles. The metal rim encasing the paws refers to the scientific manipulation of these breeds. Breeders selectively choose from known bloodlines in an attempt to keep the breed pure and preserve known characteristics to ensure the breed meets certain deemed standards for the market. However, constant inter-breeding, can weaken the breed, leaving dogs with chronic conditions, which cause suffering.



Rocky portrays an exhausted fighting dog. There is no kind treatment or regard for fighting dogs in contemporary society. This illegal activity is hidden away from sight, so the dogs are treated with contempt and valued only when they are winning. Rocky has been put into the fighting pit many times, even though he has been conditioned to fight and wins by killing other dogs, he knows the time will come when he will lose. If he can no longer fight, he is of no value to his owner, who will dispose of him. Rocky does not want to fight anymore, his body is weaken by injury and his spirit has been broken.



Outcast is my response to the exploitation and modification of the behaviour of the greyhound breed for the purpose or racing, which can leave the dog with an unacceptably altered demeanour. Outcast, now too old to run must remain on the edge of the park, watching other dogs interacting as a social group. The dog's head is lowered with ears back and tense body. This situation in the park is new to this retired racing greyhound. Outcast will need to be supported by compassionate humans to ensure her welfare and enable her to live out her natural life without fear or anxiety.



Fifi is a depiction of a Chihuahua, which has been inter-bred to address human desires. Some dog breeds are only in existence to cater to human pleasure and convenience and cannot survive without human care. They can be regarded as a fashion accessory and can often be carried around in expensive hand bags. Fifi echoes the sentiment that a dog is a type of doll. These animals are dogs made of flesh and blood and have desires of their own, they are not dolls.

