

ANTON SMIT SCULPTOR

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The synergy between **SEVEN** and **ANTON SMIT** was introduced and endorsed in 2019 by **GARNETT BASSON** & **ROELIEN SMIT**.

Loveliness needs not the foreign aid of ornament but when is unadorned, adorned the most. The crushed one. The granite prism. The straight-angled stone ... shivering solitude. Apparition of faces.

- ANTON SMIT

SEVEN Villa Hotel & Spa: Our collaboration with acclaimed sculptor **ANTON SMIT** is born from common values – a passion for excellence and celebrating South African creativity. Managing Director **MARC WACHSBERGER** notes "We all need to be reminded every single day how beautiful things around us can be, if we take time out to notice them. Anton's work forces you to stop, breathe and take it all in." Take a walk around the hotel grounds and explore all the pieces on display.

We take great pride in our hotel, re-imagining luxury through inspiring experiences and spaces. An inner-city retreat. Anton's work complements our vision. His use of monumental shapes - raw and earthy power that feels innately African truly complements the aesthetic of the hotel and provides an engaging and dynamic visual experience. **PAUSE AND ENJOY.**

AN INNER-CITY RETREAT

SEVEN Villa Hotel & Spa is a lush secret garden, a natural sanctuary tucked away in the centre of lively Sandton. Our inner-city retreat inspires the feeling of living amongst nature whilst only being a short distance from cosmopolitan shopping and restaurant destinations.







KUNGWINI HEAD COMBINED UNIT: (H) 600 x (W) 600 x (D) 250 **MATERIAL**: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER **EDITION**: OUT OF 24



CROUCHING MAN

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,800 x (W) 1,200 x (D) 800 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



THE BURNING MAN - LARGE

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 2,350 x (W) 1,700 x (D) 600 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER/STEEL EDITION: UNIQUE







SHATTERED REMAINS - MASK 23 & MASK 5

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,295 x (W) 615 x (D) 420 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER/STEEL EDITION: UNIQUE



SHATTERED REMAINS - MASK 4 & MASK 20

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,295 x (W) 615 x (D) 420 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER/STEEL EDITION: UNIQUE





SHATTERED REMAINS - MASK 15 & MASK 6

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,295 x (W) 615 x (D) 420 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER/STEEL EDITION: UNIQUE



OF FIRE & ICE

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 915 x (W) 580 x (D) 320 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: UNIQUE



FAITH MASK - LARGE - WALL MOUNTED

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,400 x (W) 775 x (D) 240 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: UNIQUE VARIOUS COLOUR OPTIONS AVAILABLE



FAITH MASK - LARGE - FREE STANDING

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,400 x (W) 775 x (D) 240 (ADJUSTABLE STAND) MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER

EDITION: UNIQUE VARIOUS COLOUR OPTIONS AVAILABLE

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF A SOUTH AFRICAN SCULPTOR

Widely revered for his overwhelming heads and monumental sculptures, evoking themes of suffering, reconciliation, glory and sublimation, his works grace public and private collections countrywide and internationally.

"Spoken verse, the echoes of emotive lyrics and the rasping of sculptures in progress are customary sounds emitted from his studio. Larger than life, Anton Smit is the embodiment of poetry, an apt term for this sculptor, derived from the term "making". Anton forms his own language through sculpture, the manifestation of his passion for expression and his profound faith."

- KATHLEEN THOMAS, ART CURATOR

"What distinguishes the creative person is his persistence and determination to excel."

- RHOMA OCHSE

Anton collects sayings about the relationship between art and the individual artist's experience of reality. "Art is not to render the visible but to render visible," he asserts, and his art achieves this in many ways. An inspiring raconteur, Anton enjoys relating tales of his struggles as a young artist. The secret to his success could be attributed to his courage and determination to forge ahead in the face of great difficulty.

"Take big risks. Don't fret about what others think. Do the most difficult thing on earth for you – do it for yourself." this approach paid off in spades.

" A human being consists of the choices he makes." - ANTON SMIT









THE FIRE

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 670 x (W) 600 x (D) 190 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



AGAPÉ EFFERVESCENT

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 2,490 x (W) 1,300 x (D) 830 EACH MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: UNIQUE VARIOUS COLOUR OPTIONS AVAILABLE





FAITH WITH LOINCLOTH

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 2,000 x (W) 1,600 x (D) 800 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 50 ALSO AVAILABLE IN LIFESIZE & 3M - PRICE ON REQUEST



FAITH II COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,000 x (W) 900 x (D) 300 **MATERIAL**: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER **EDITION**: OUT OF 50 OTHER SIZES AVAILABLE



GERMAINE SPEED - LARGE
COMBINED UNIT: (H) 620 x (W) 1,500 x (D) 400 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24





BUT I FLY - MULTI COLOUR

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,120 x (W) 415 x (D) 300 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: UNIQUE



BUT I FLY - MULTI COLOUR

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,120 x (W) 415 x (D) 300 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: UNIQUE



BLUE HEAD WITH GLASSES - TALL

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,850 x (W) 880 x (D) 415 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



ASTRONOMERS HEAD

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,260 x (W) 700 x (D) 330 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24

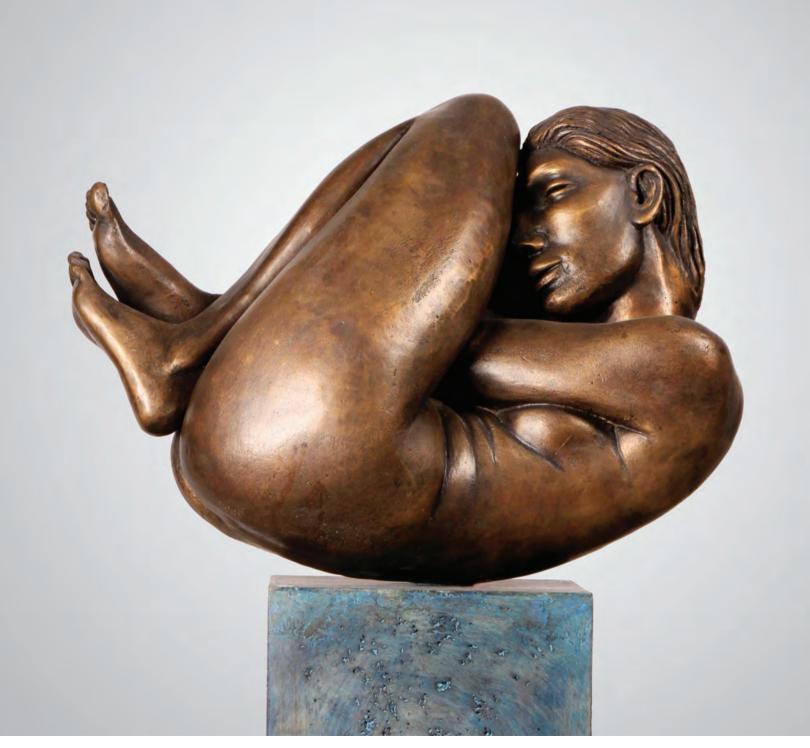


DIE VERLANGE

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,750 x (W) 600 x (D) 1,700 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



VOËLVRY - LARGE
COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,514 x (W) 530 x (D) 1,040 MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



MILLENNIUM - LARGE

COMBINED UNIT: (H) 900 x (W) 225 x (D) 180 MATERIAL: BRONZE EDITION: OUT OF 12



BURGHERS OF KHAYELITSHA

COMBINED UNIT: 1,600 IN HEIGHT MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER EDITION: OUT OF 24



RUN FROM YOURSELF - COALITION
COMBINED UNIT: (H) 1,800 x (W) 1,000 x (D) 330 MATERIAL: BRONZE EDITION: OUT OF 12



TOIVA YA TOIVA - OPEN ARMS COMBINED UNIT: (H) $2,220 \times (W) 1,940 \times (D) 460$ MATERIAL: GLASS REINFORCED POLYMER WITH RIVETS EDITION: OUT OF 24

ANTON SMIT - CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- 1991: Exhibitions in Rome and Milan Italy International exhibition of Two Worlds in Spoletto, Italy.
- **1992:** Large sculptures commissioned by BMW Head Office Johannesburg.
- 1993: One-man exhibition at Sweeguan Art Gallery, Singapore.
- 1994: One-man exhibition at Omni Gallery, New York Exhibition at the inauguration of President Nelson Mandela at the Presidency Exhibition in Germany, Bonn, Wolfsburg.
- 1998: Exhibition at the South African Embassy, Bonn One-man exhibition Artfolio Gallery, Singapore.
- 1999: Exhibition at the Inter Art Galerie Reich, Koln.
- **2001:** Exhibition Hamburg, Germany Works purchased by Anton Rupert for the Rembrandt Foundation.
- 2004: Exhibition Amsterdam
- 2007: Public Commission: National Library of Tswane, Pretoria, South Africa
- 2008: Revelations Wall Exhibition / Sculpture Park Relate Platform on 18th, Pretoria
- 2009: No second death Exhibition, Wine Estate Grande Provence, Franschoek

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- **2010:** Facet Exhibition Anton Smit Sculpture Park & Gallery Angels Exhibition Grande Provence Franschoek Poetry Exhibition Charity St Lorient, Pretoria, South Africa
- **2011:** Transitions Exhibition Anton Smit Sculpture Park
- 2012: Transcendental Head Public Sculpture on the R25 Symbol of the New South Africa
- 2013: Metal Work Public Art in Stellenbosch II
- **2014:** Art Affair Saxon Hotel Jhb Cool Capital participation Spirit of Tswane Public sculpture for Menlyn Main precinct
- 2015: Smit & Smit Imibala Gallery Cross section exhibition Jan Royce Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa In Retrospect Menlyn Boutique Hotel, Pretoria, South Africa
- 2016: Colossal Australian Bronze, Sydney, Australia Exhibition Puerto-Rico Exhibition Miami Public Sculpture Exhibition Menlyn Maine, Pretoria, South Africa Charity Auction MAD Foundation Sculpture (Spiritus Mundi) sold for R120 000 Pendoring Awards
- 7m Faith Stream Conference Spier Wine Farm, Stellenbosch, South Africa
 Public Sculpture Exhibition Capital Hotel, Menlyn Maine, Pretoria, South Africa
 Between the shadow and the soul Exhibition Imibala, Somerset-West, South Africa
 Brick Face Imibala Charity Community Upliftment Project Charity Auction MAD Foundation
 Sculptures (Head of a Young Boy & Head of a Young Girl) sold for R100 000 each.
 Smit & Smit Collaboration Cape Wine Auction Sculpture sold for R1,200,000
 Rite of Passage Exhibition Jan Royce, Cape Town, South Africa Durban Essence -Expo Exhibition,
 Durban South Africa Public Sculpture Exhibition Melrose Arch, Johannesburg, South Africa
 Walking Man Exhibition Grande Provence, Franchoek, South Africa
- 2018: Submerge Imibala Gallery
- 2019: Colossal Exhibition Genk, Belgium Public Sculpture 7m Faith C-Mine, Genk, Belgium Exclusive Exhibition The Ivy Villa Hotel, Sandton, South Africa
- **2020:** Benguela Cove Exclusive Public Exhibition Hermanus, Cape Town, South Africa "RAPTURE" Solo Exhibition Grande Provence Franschoek, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2021: Leonardslee Gardens & Lakes Exclusive Public Exhibition London, England Century City - Open Air Exhibition - Cape Town - South Africa Lourensford Wine Estate - Art Route - Western Cape - South Africa

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