

Monsieur Zohore

Les Éternels 22 January - 05 March 2022

Washington DC: von ammon co is pleased to announce its fifteenth project at 3330 Cady's Alley, Les Éternels, a solo show by Ivorian-American artist Monsieur Zohore.

The first exhibition devoted solely to Zohore's ongoing *Éternels* series, the exhibition will consist of two sets of seven illuminated tinted resin sculptures, with each set installed upon its own shipping crate. The exhibition will be fully visible at all hours from the front windows of the gallery.

This body of work takes its inspiration from Akira Toriyama's seminal manga series Dragon Ball, namely its namesake Dragon Balls. According to the series' mythology, Dragon Balls are the ultimate object of obsessive desire: though intrinsically remote and elusive, these sets of seven crystalline orbs contain the extraordinary power of wish fulfillment to whomever is able to reunite them.

Les Éternels are sculptures meant to be disbursed to different individuals after being exhibited together: each dragonball is available as a single sculpture. Eucharistic like so many objects in Zohore's vast practice, each set of seven represents the body of a deceased person: in this case, a green set represents the body of Marvin Gaye, the beloved son of Washington DC; a purple set represents that of John Allen Muhammad, the reviled father who brought terror to the DC / Maryland Virginia area in the early 2000's.

The spiritual surrogates of both of these men will exist in diametric opposition in the gallery for the duration of the show. Once completed, their requisite parts will begin to drift apart across the earth's surface, will reflect the shape of unknown celestial bodies for an instant, and one day possibly reconvene for another instant if summoned.

von ammon co is a contemporary art gallery based in Georgetown, Washington DC and founded in 2019. One of the few privately-run contemporary art spaces in the US capitol, the gallery's agenda is the presentation of important exhibitions on a project basis by international artists. Les Éternels is the fifteenth project in its current location. The gallery will be by appointment only for this exhibition. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please email info@vonammon.co