

New exhibition at Guildford House Gallery - One Day This Glass Will Break

Experiments in photography and printmaking are presented in a new Hayward Gallery Touring Exhibition, coming to Guildford House Gallery this month.

One Day This Glass Will Break is a collection of works by artist Cornelia Parker.

The exhibition includes twenty large-scale photogravures from three series that have been brought together for the first time in this exhibition:

Thirty Pieces of Silver (exposed) (2015),
One Day This Glass Will Break (2015) and
Fox Talbot's Art.



The works explore the artist's fascination with the physical properties of objects, materials and their histories.

Eight prints are included from One Day This Glass Will Break. In these works, the artist uses objects such as a tower of crystal glass, a shattered light bulb and melting ice cubes. These are placed onto photosensitive copper plates and exposed to ultraviolet light. The resulting prints capture the objects' shadows to create a 'spectral still-life'.

In Fox Talbot's Articles of Glass (2017) series of nine prints, Cornelia Parker explores this technique further using the last remaining items of glassware belonging to 19th century photographic pioneer William Henry Fox Talbot.

Two prints from another series, Thirty Pieces of Silver (exposed) (2015), are also included. Here, the artist uses glass photographic negatives of antique silverware, originally produced for a 1960s Spink auction catalogue.

The exhibition runs from Saturday 13 May to Saturday 10 June 2023. The gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10am to 4.30pm (last entry 4pm).

[Find out more about the exhibition](#)