



B. 1957 | North Hampshire United Kingdom

A fascination with wildlife drawing and the world of nature, began as a young child, and remains to this day. After leaving school Mike Norris trained as an engineer, but continued to attend evening art classes. By the end of the 1980s he was exhibiting with Westminster Gallery, London and at Christies with the Society of Equestrian Artists. Since 2003 Norris has lived in New Zealand returning to the United Kingdom to work and exhibit.

Fifteen new works, cast in bronze employing traditional techniques, feature in this solo exhibition. The choice of subjects, from the Little Owl to our own Pukeko chicks are indeed worlds apart, reflective of a creative life encompassing two hemispheres. The works themselves are uniquely appealing and tactile. They capture the individual personality of the subject, be it a bird of prey such as the Falcon, or a vulnerable, downy Morepork chick. Each work is hand - polished with a patina of varying hues adding interest and beauty.

Mike Norris is exclusively represented in New Zealand by International Art Centre.





Morepork Edition of 12 Bronze on Granite Base 55 x 25 x 25 cm



New Zealand Kingfisher Edition of 12 Bronze on Granite Base 62 x 25 x 25 cm



New Zealand Falcon Edition of 12 Bronze on Granite Base 48 x 25 x 25 cm

The castings for these works are created by employing the traditional lost-wax method. The origins of lost-wax casting are shrouded in antiquity. This technique has been used for thousands of years to create objects in bronze and other metals, which could not be produced in any other way, due to the complexity of their forms.

The technique permits anything that can be moulded in wax to be faithfully transmitted into bronze as seen in these fine art sculptures.



Morepork Chick I - Whisper Edition of 12 Bronze 18 x 10 x 10 cm



Pukeko Chick I Edition of 18 Bronze 17 x 10 x 10 cm



Goldeneye Duck Edition of 12
Bronze on Granite Base 40 x 40 x 25 cm

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