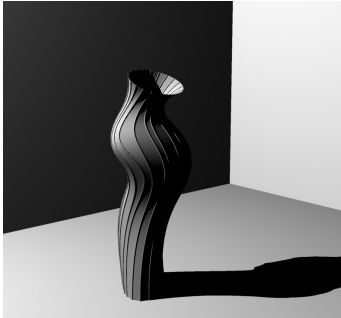


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Waldo Jespersen: *STRETCHED*

December 14, 2017 - January 28, 2018

Artists' Reception: December 15, 5-8pm

SOWA First Friday Reception: January 5, 5-8pm

Second Sunday Concert Series: January 14, 4-6pm

Stretched is Waldo Jespersen's inaugural solo exhibition of new work at Boston Sculptors Gallery. Driven by formalism and problem solving, Jespersen's work represents the distillation of a thought pushed through the filters of reality and compromise. Often engineered to push the boundaries of materials and processes, as well as his own ability, Jespersen's sculptures are surprisingly elegant, whimsical, and deceptively simple in their purity of form. The process spurs an endless playful battle between the juxtaposition of a simple concept and complex construction.

Stretched is comprised of three large luminous works, each a construction of planes, twisted and bent into irregular volumes. Human in scale, they are prone to being anthropomorphized. As the sculptures congregate in the space, the viewer is invited to wander among the alien tableau. The combination of disparate characters and forms provide for endless interpretations of the scenes laid out before them, whether tense, intimate, comic or tragic.

Jespersen has exhibited his work broadly. Recent venues include: Remis Gallery Newbury, MA; Maudslay State Park, Newburyport, MA; Step Gallery, Phoenix, AZ; Museo Virtuale della Scultura e dell'Architettura, Pietrasanta, Italy; Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Florence, Italy; William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ; Tempe Historical Museum, Tempe, AZ; Harry Wood Gallery, Tempe, AZ; and Millbrook Gallery, Concord, NH. He received his BFA from Alfred University and his MFA from Arizona State University. Jespersen has received numerous awards and scholarships including The Eirene Peggy Lamb Scholarship, Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award *Honorable Mention*, The Brooks Scholarship, and The Jonathan Allen Award for Leadership. He is currently building himself a studio and home in Newbury Massachusetts.

Waldo Jespersen *Stretched* will be on view concurrently with Kirsten Reynold's *Spin*.

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