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ARTIST STATEMENT

My work is a sculptural system inspired by plants from arid regions of the world. The system is named Zygo, which means connected in Latin. It is a modular system that is mobile and interchangeable while embodying a solid permanence. The forms vary in size and complexity: from a few ounces to 500 pounds and from simple to complex. Each piece is individually hand cast with concrete into found and recycled objects. The forms, once cured, are combined to create pods, bulbs, segmented stem like stacked structures both vertical and horizontal.

Most of the work resembles botanical fossils from an industrial era. There is an unseen art and architecture inside the negative space found in common disposable objects of everyday life. The body of work continues to grow organically as more shapes are added to the system. I am interested in transforming industrial materials into something of beauty and grace, as well as finding minimal and geometric shapes that are universally understood.

Some of my many influences include: Bauhaus philosophy & theater production, Architecture of the Ancient World, Karl Blossfeldt, Antoni Gaudi, Diatoms, Buckminster Fuller, Alexander Calder, Mid-century modern modular design

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SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2014 “ausTEN”. **O2 Camiba Art**, Austin, TX
 Building 98, Marfa, TX
 French Legation Museum, Austin, TX
 “East Austin Studio Tour”, Austin, TX
- 2013 “East Austin Studio Tour”, Austin, TX
- 2012 “East Austin Studio Tour”, Austin, TX
- 2011 “2011 Exhibition”, **The Peoples Gallery at City Hall**, Austin, TX
 “East Austin Studio Tour”, Austin, TX
 “Austin Modern Home Tour”, Austin, TX
- 2010 “SOL Modern Architecture Community Exhibit”, Austin, TX
 “East Austin Studio Tour”, Austin, TX

SELECT RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Satellite Bistro, Austin, TX – Green built furniture design & construction
Hiatus Deluxe Home & Garden Store, Austin, TX – owner & designer
National Garden Conservancy Estate, Austin, TX – assisted in garden restoration
Tangram Rehabilitation Center, San Marcos, TX – Horticultural Therapist for 12 yrs