

2024 HSC Visual Arts

MAJOR WORK

Artist Statement

Name

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Title

Gods of the Modern Age

Expressive Form

Ceramics

Everyone worships something, from the ancient Aztecs praying for rain or the modern man praying that his stocks do well. I created my body of work to explore the shifting values across time and how these are reflected in what we value and worship today.

To do this, I have recreated, in ceramics, ancient religious idols from many different cultures, and transplanted modern objects into them. These created modern 'gods' reflect what our society values and how those values have shifted over the centuries