

V e s s e l



Olivia Walker (United Kingdom 1985 -)

Tall Leaning Vessel

Porcelain

28 x 21 x 21 cm (11 x 8 1/4 x 8 1/4 inches)

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Starting from a set point on a piece, Walker lets these organic accretions spread out and grow, almost eating through, or growing over the form beneath and covering it. Walker makes reference to organisms such as fungus, corals, and bacteria but her pieces are her own interpretation, letting the viewer bring their own ideas and emotions to her pieces.