

# VESSEL GALLERY

## LONDON



**Remigijus Kriukas (Lithuania 1961 - )**

### **Shining at Night**

Handblown and sculpted glass

51.5 x 44 x 37 cm (20 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> x 17 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> x 14 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches)

'Shining at Night' is a unique sculpture by the Lithuanian artist, Remigijus Kriukas, created from blown and sculpted glass with a platinum finish.

In the artist's own words;

"Watching, observing and listening the daily life environment, forms, sounds, surfaces of objects is the most inspirational thing for me. Every day I can see a world made from glass all around me. Small details of objects in my imagination create aesthetic visions which after all transforms into glass shapes. One of the visions are very bright and strong, those come very fast. Others are constructed step by step which after all shape itself into transparent, glossy material. Thereafter, form which is being created, goes in confrontation with me and time. One art piece could be created instantaneously, but other ideas need to take time. A proper period of time to wait until it will be born"

### **Artist description:**

In 1985 Remigijus Kriukas graduated from Lithuanian State Institute of Fine Arts, specialising in glass and started designing at JSC "Panevėžio stiklas", which he did so from 1993 to 2000. In 2000 he founded his own glass studio in Panevėžys where he now creates all his artworks.

Kriukas has exhibited extensively around Europe, Russia and the USA. He has taken part in many creative symposiums in various locations, including Lithuania, Latvia, Russia, Estonia, Ukraine, Czechia, Hungary, Germany, Slovakia. Notable achievements being; Granted an Honorary Member of the Russian Academy of Arts | Lithuanian Artists' Association awarded with a Gold Badge, for

promotion of contemporary glass art in Lithuania & abroad | Granted Foreign Member of the Academy of the Ukrainian Academy of Arts.

His work is in many private collections but also has been acquired by various museums: The Lithuanian National Museum of Art (Vilnius, Lithuania) | Art Museum in Budapest (Hungary) | Frauenau Glass Museum (Germany) | The Andrey Sheptytsky National Museum in Lviv (Ukraine) | Glass Museum in Lviv (Ukraine) | Evald Okas Museum (Haapsalu, Estonia) | Russia Decorative - Applied and folk Art Museum (Moscow, Russia) | K.A. Savitsky galleries Penza' branch of glass and crystal museum (Nikolsk, Russia) | Riga' Museum of Glass (Latvia) | Finnish glass Museum ( Riihimäki, Finland) | Kuskov Palace (Moscow, Russia) | Zhenjiang Greenwave Glass Art Museum (Ningbo, China) | Glasmuseum Alter Hof Herding (Coesfeld – Lette, Germany)

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