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Tamara Henderson, Tantramar: The Eight Legs of Life, 8th November 2025 – 24th January 2026

In her second solo exhibition at PALAS, Tamara Henderson presents Tantramar: The Eight Legs of Life, an evolving body of work first developed for Warrnambool Art Gallery.

Expanding her mythological lexicon, Henderson revisits the recurring figures of Sound Shepherd and Sunspider, and unearths their alchemical counterpart, Wiseguide. Embodying the tantric dualities of movement and stillness, these cosmic companions drift through a terrain where sculpture, painting, and sound sway together in a hypnotic groove.

In dialogue with the unseen systems of life, rhythm, and transformation, Henderson evokes a dense, fertile murk – a sustaining ground that holds her narrative and nourishes the evolving ecosystem of sculpture, painting, and sound. This convergence of forms and figures points toward the quiet play of mystery and form that courses through her practice – and toward Mar, the sea that carried them all here.

– Julia Dunne

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1. Web Wall Light Blue, 2025

Fused bullseye glass, blown glass, light, electrical cabling
60 x 60 x 21 cm

2. Sunspider Painting, 2025

Oil on canvas, wood, brass
148 x 126 x 3 cm

3. Floral Lamp, 2025

Blown glass, light, electrical cabling
50 x 30 x 30 cm

4. Wise Guide Painting, 2025

Oil on canvas, wood, brass
148 x 126 x 3 cm

5. Floral Lamp, 2025

Blown glass, light, electrical cabling
44 x 30 x 30 cm

6. Web Wall Light Green, 2025

Fused bullseye glass, blown glass, light, electrical cabling
60 x 60 x 21 cm

7. Marshlands Esteem, 2025

Oil on canvas in artist frame
128 x 115 x 3 cm

8. Floral Lamp, 2025

Blown glass, light, electrical cabling
49 x 30 x 30 cm

9. Floral Lamp, 2025

Blown glass, light, electrical cabling
43 x 32 x 32 cm

10. Facing the Locks, 2025

Oil on canvas in artist frame
128 x 115 x 3 cm

11. The Dreamer Survives, 2025

Oil on canvas in artist frame
128 x 115 x 3 cm

12. Web Wall Light Umber, 2025

Fused bullseye glass, blown glass, light, electrical cabling
60 x 60 x 21 cm

13. Wiseguide Altar, 2025

Fused glass, ceramic, cast crystal, brass
Dimensions variable, exhibition dimensions 203 x 160 x 34 cm

14. Spider Time, 2025
Fused glass
Dimensions variable, exhibition dimensions 120 x 120 x 2 cm

15. Web Wall Light Black, 2025
Fused bullseye glass, blown glass, light, electrical cabling
60 x 60 x 21 cm

16. Sunspider Chair, 2025
Steel, blown glass spheres, electrical cabling, lights, linen fur upholstery fabric, foam
90 x 160 x 120 cm

17. Sunspider Soundtrack, 2025
Quadrophonic sound
10 minutes
Made in collaboration with Charlie Knox and Johan Bjork

