

# ZULEIKA GALLERY

Press release

## *Race Against Time*

*The complexities of man and machine*

An exhibition of Formula 1 inspired art works and engraved portraits by Angela Palmer

Internationally renowned artist Angela Palmer has joined forces with the racing icon Sir Jackie Stewart to stage an exhibition of Formula 1 inspired art works and engraved portraits in London from September 18 – 23, 2017. A third of the profits will benefit Race Against Dementia, the charity formed by Sir Jackie after his wife Helen was diagnosed with the condition.

Since witnessing his wife's memory and mobility diminishing, Sir Jackie has pledged to fight for the rest of his life to help fund research into finding a cure for dementia.



Sir Jackie Stewart and his wife Helen at the Paul Ricard circuit in France, 1972

The exhibition will be held from September 18 – 23, 2017 at the Zuleika, Ongpin & Peppiatt Galleries, 6 Mason's Yard, St James's, London SW1Y 6BU.

Press [here](#) for a link to the online catalogue. Overleaf are links to a brief film of the F1 works and a link to the charity.

The *Race Against Time* exhibition brings together two core subjects which for several years have informed the art work of Angela Palmer: the complex structure of a F1 world championship winning engine, the RS27, conceived and built under the strictest security by the most advanced engineers in the world; and the brain, an organ whose complexities continue to challenge the most sophisticated medical minds. Palmer has shone the spotlight on both, shifting the focus from function and mechanism to the visual power of form and scale, exposing the hidden beauty of internal structures which lie below and are rarely seen.

This fusion of interests in the complexities of man and machine complement the twin themes addressed by Sir Jackie's charity - to apply the same innovation, precision and speed experienced during his lifetime within F1 to the field of research into the brain and dementia.

Lady Helen famously acted as her husband's timekeeper during his F1 career, and her stopwatch will be exhibited in tribute to her. The legendary Stewart held the record as the only British driver to win three world F1 championships until it was equalled after 42 years by Lewis Hamilton in 2015.

Sir Jackie said: "I am delighted to be part of this exhibition of art works which will benefit Race Against Dementia, the charity I set up to help fund research into the condition following the diagnosis of my dear wife Helen. My wife was my professional timekeeper - timing my laps to the millisecond. Her razor-sharp mind was one of the things that always impressed me enormously and now her memory and her mobility are diminishing."

Works by Palmer include a helmet cast from a current F1 driver in crystal glass; dramatically upscaled components from the iconic F1 engine in a variety of materials including bronze and American black walnut; and a series of wall-mounted neons of the F1 tracks which will include Silverstone in Jackie Stewart's trademark blue.

Angela Palmer is an award winning graduate of The Ruskin School of Drawing and Fine Art at Oxford University and The Royal College of Art, London. Her sculptures are in the permanent collections of The Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, Washington; The Ashmolean Museum, Oxford; the Wellcome Collection in London; and The National Portrait Gallery of Scotland (where Palmer's *Brain of the Artist* is exhibited). Before becoming an artist Palmer was a journalist whose roles included editor of *The Observer Magazine* and editor-in-chief of *ELLE* magazine.

### **Web Links**

Film of Angela Palmer's F1-inspired artwork: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=kTBYsir0ZrQ>

Catalogue: <http://issuu.com/zuleikagallery/docs/ratexh?e=30402928/51166429>

Sir Jackie Stewart's charity, *Race Against Dementia*: <http://raceagainstdementia.com/>

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## Images



Angela Palmer

*Exhaust*

Dramatically upscaled in American walnut

Based on the F1 V8, winner of four consecutive F1 world championships

61 x 103 x 67 cm

Edition of 4

£35,000 ex VAT



Angela Palmer

*Red Hot Orange Exhaust*

Dramatically upscaled in Resin (suitable for indoors or outdoors)

Based on the RS27 F1 V8, winner of four consecutive F1 world championships

61 x 103 x 67 cm

Edition of 4

£35,000 ex VAT



Angela Palmer  
*Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium*  
Neon mounted on aluminum, with wall fixtures  
72 x 105 x 14 cm  
Edition of 6 plus 2 artist's proofs  
£8000 ex VAT



Angela Palmer

*F1 Helmet*

Cast in crystal glass from helmet worn by current F1 driver

Blown by British master glassblowers

25 x 24 x 34 cm

Edition of 6

£15,000 ex VAT



Angela Palmer

*Brain of the Artist*

Based on MRI scans undertaken by

Dr David Thomas at University College London

Hand engraved on 16 sheets of Mirogard glass

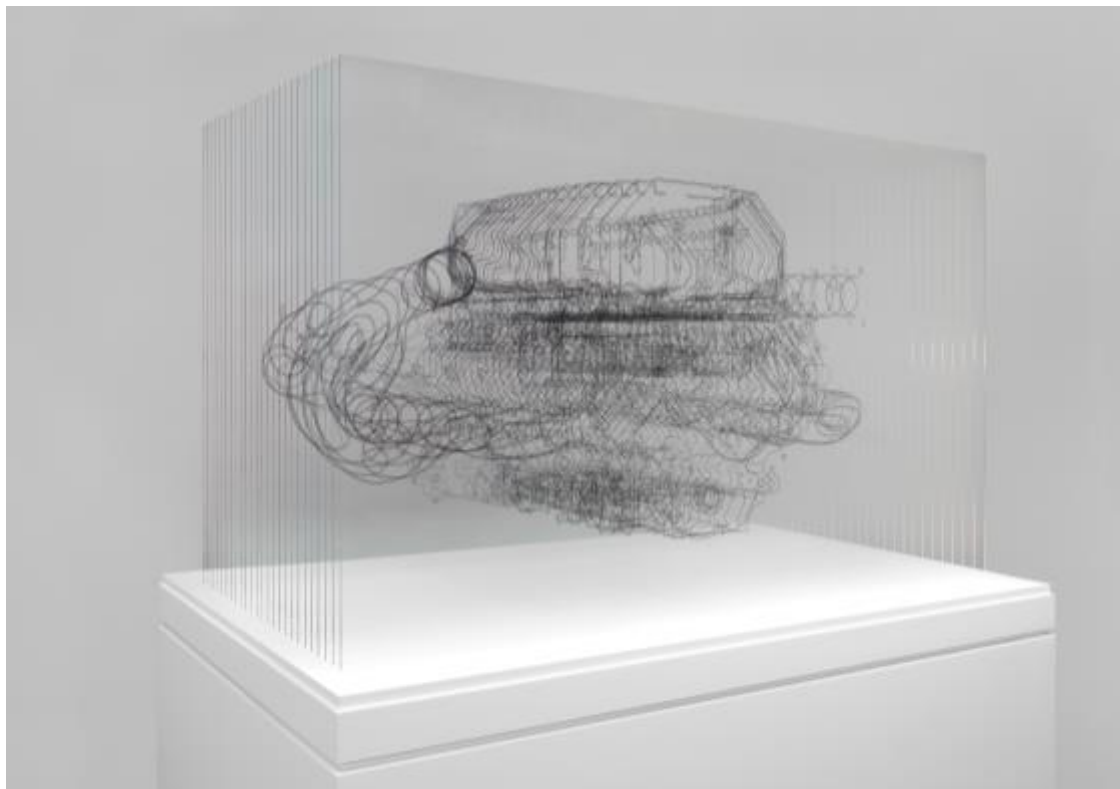
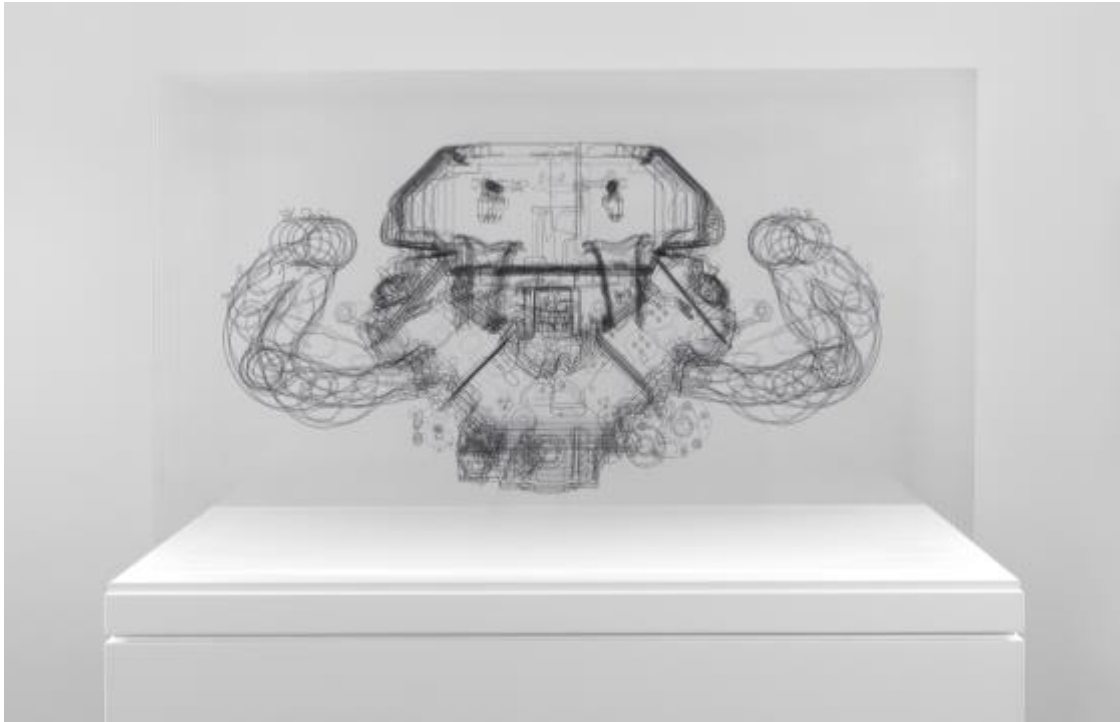
25 x 30 x 14 cm

Edition of 5 (Edition 2 in the National Portrait Gallery of Scotland)

£12,000 ex VAT

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Angela Palmer  
*V8 Engine in glass*  
Winner of four consecutive F1 world championships  
Hand drawn in black ink on 25 sheets of Mirogard glass  
75 x 119 x 72 cm  
Edition of 3  
Edition 1 in Renault Art Collection  
£70,000 ex VAT