Glass sculpture - Green Pig

Ceramics and Glass Collection

Accession Nr.:	98.172.1
Artist/Maker:	Melcher, Mihály (1953 -) / glass-engraver
Date of production:	1997
Place of production:	Hungary
Inscription:	jelzetlen
Materials:	pate-de-verres glass
Techniques:	ground; melted in mould; pâte-de-verre; polished; so-called zömítés (artist's term)
Dimensions:	height: 26,5 cm length: 45,5 cm depth: 13,5 cm

Surreal figures, like this stylized but spirited Green Pig, recur throughout the sculpture and painting of the contemporary glass artist Mihály Melcher. He makes his glass sculptures by a special technique he calls zömítés ["compression"]. This consists of gradually melting pieces of broken glass, some as small as grains of powder, into a negative plaster mould in a furnace. It is an idiosyncratic combination of the casting and pâte-de-verre techniques.

Literature

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