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On view at Goya Contemporary Gallery
October 9, 2026 – November 20, 2026

Goya Contemporary Gallery is pleased to announce *Paul Daniel: Altered Course*, an exhibition of kinetic sculpture by Baltimore-based artist Paul Daniel, on view October 9 through November 20, 2026.

Altered Course brings together a selection of Daniel's modestly scaled kinetic works, offering an intimate encounter with ideas that also animate his larger outdoor public sculptures. At the heart of Daniel's practice is an interest in movement, balance, transformation, and the shifting relationship between sculpture and its environment. In these works, motion is not simply an effect, but an essential element of the artist's thought process, and by extension, the viewer's experience.

Within the gallery, Daniel's kinetic sculptures invite close observation and engagement. Their interactive movement continually alters the viewer's perception of form, space, and material. As the works are activated, their relationships to one another shift in turn. The exhibition offers an opportunity to experience, at a more intimate scale, the spatial and perceptual questions that inform Daniel's monumental public works.

The title *Altered Course* speaks to a continual state of change. A sculpture in motion is never quite the same from one moment to the next; its trajectory, orientation, and relationship to its surroundings are perpetually shifting. The phrase also evokes the unexpected turns that shape our own journeys through life—moments when circumstances, chance, or choice redirect us toward an unforeseen path. Daniel embraces this sense of instability and possibility, creating works that resist a fixed or singular viewpoint, and instead unfold through time.

The exhibition also considers the passage from the monumental to the intimate. Daniel's outdoor sculptures occupy public spaces and engage the movement of people through the landscape, while the works presented at Goya Contemporary Gallery bring that same spirit of motion into a more concentrated setting. Freed from the scale of the public realm, these sculptures allow viewers to consider the mechanisms, systems, rhythms, and subtle shifts that make movement itself a sculptural material.

Paul Daniel: Altered Course encourages viewers to slow down and look again—to experience sculpture not as a static object, but as something continually evolving, responding to its surroundings, and inviting us to consider our own changing trajectories.



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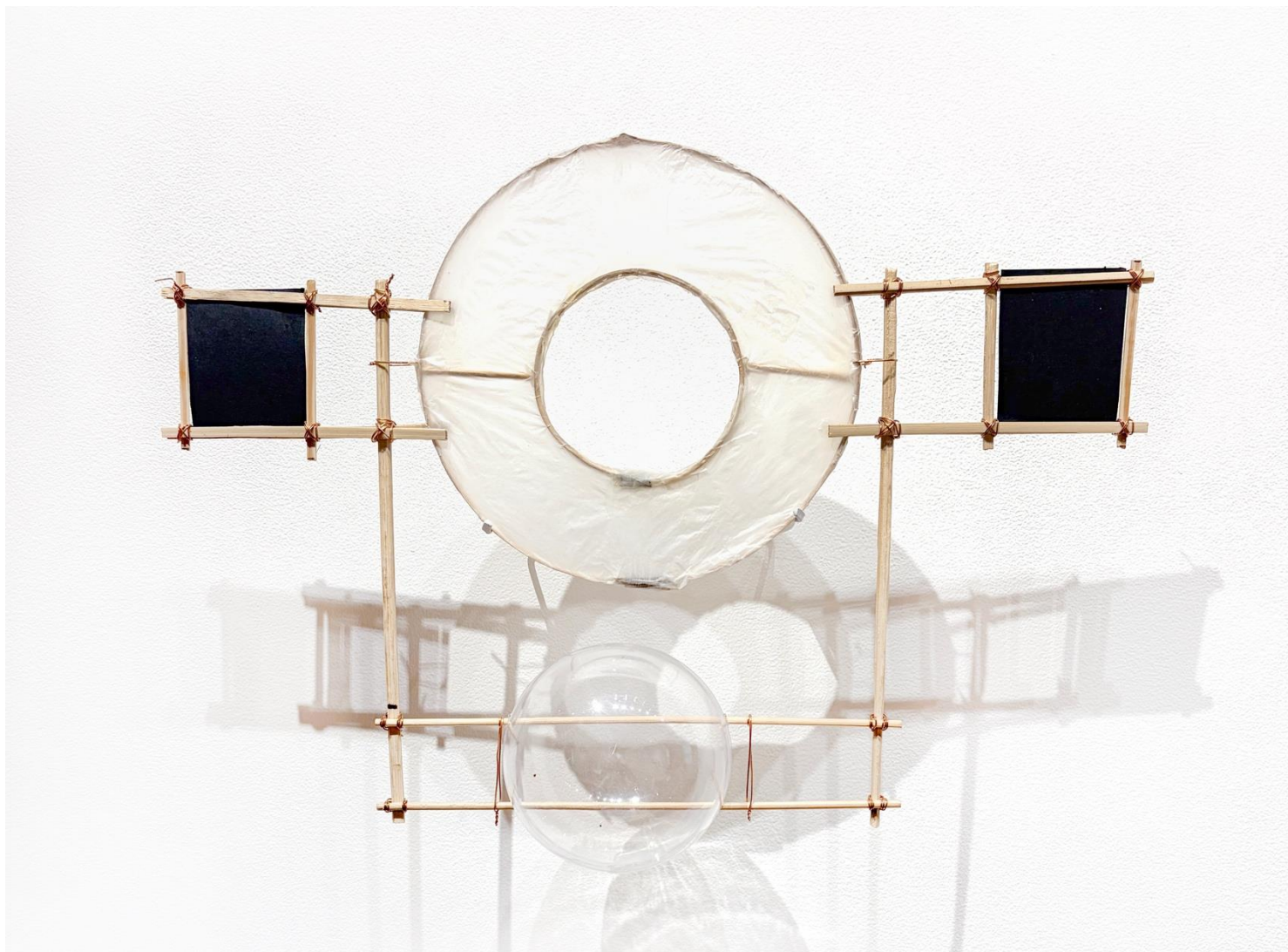
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Biography

Paul Daniel (b. 1950, American) is an acclaimed artist known for his innovative wind-activated, kinetic sculptures that explore the relationships between nature, movement, time, and light.

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, Daniel began his artistic journey with a strong academic foundation. He earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) from the Kansas City Art Institute and a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) from the Rinehart School of Sculpture at the Maryland Institute College of Art. These formative experiences laid the foundation for his exploration of sculpture, particularly works that engage with the environment and encourage viewers to become more attuned to natural phenomena. Daniel's sculptures are defined by their kinetic elements, designed to respond to environmental factors. His works are visually compelling both in their static form and in their interaction with the natural world. The wind animates his pieces, creating motion that reveals nature's invisible forces. Each sculpture's geometry, weight, and surface area are carefully considered to ensure durability in varying weather conditions, from light breezes to extreme elements. The interplay of wind, light, and shadow throughout the day offers a dynamic experience for viewers, providing different visual perspectives as the sculptures move and change.

In addition to his three-dimensional works, Daniel also creates detailed two-dimensional drawings that guide the development of his sculptures during fabrication. These sketches serve as tools for refining concepts and tracking their evolution, ensuring a cohesive design process. His approach is incremental, with each new piece building upon the last, mirroring the organic, evolving nature of the outdoor environments where the sculptures are placed. Daniel has received numerous prestigious awards throughout his career, including a Municipal Art Society Grant, a Maryland Arts Council Grant, the Henry Walters Traveling Fellowship, and a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship. These honors reflect the significance of his work and its impact on the artistic community. Through their motion, Daniel's works draw attention to the subtle shifts and changes in the world around us, reflecting the cyclical nature of life itself. Today, Paul Daniel continues to create sculptures that engage with nature and time, with works displayed in both outdoor and indoor public and private collections.

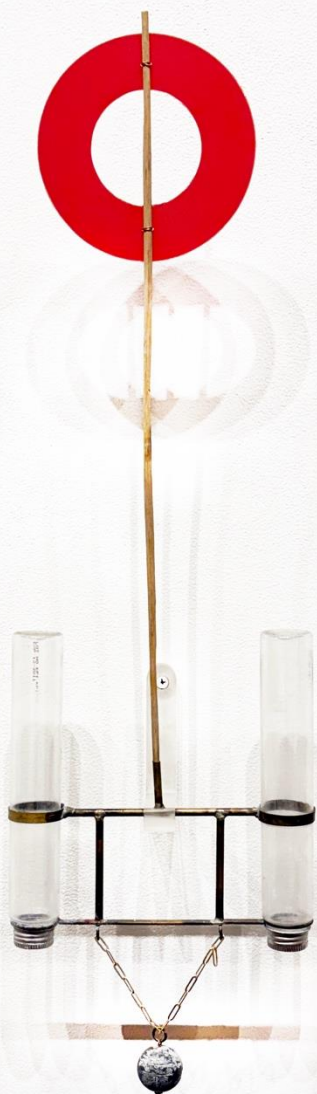


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One Thought Following Another, 2025

Bamboo, paper, copper wire, plastic

13 x 17 x 3 inches



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Bipolar, 2025

bamboo, paper mache, plastic, string, copper wire, lead
24 x 7 x 3 inches



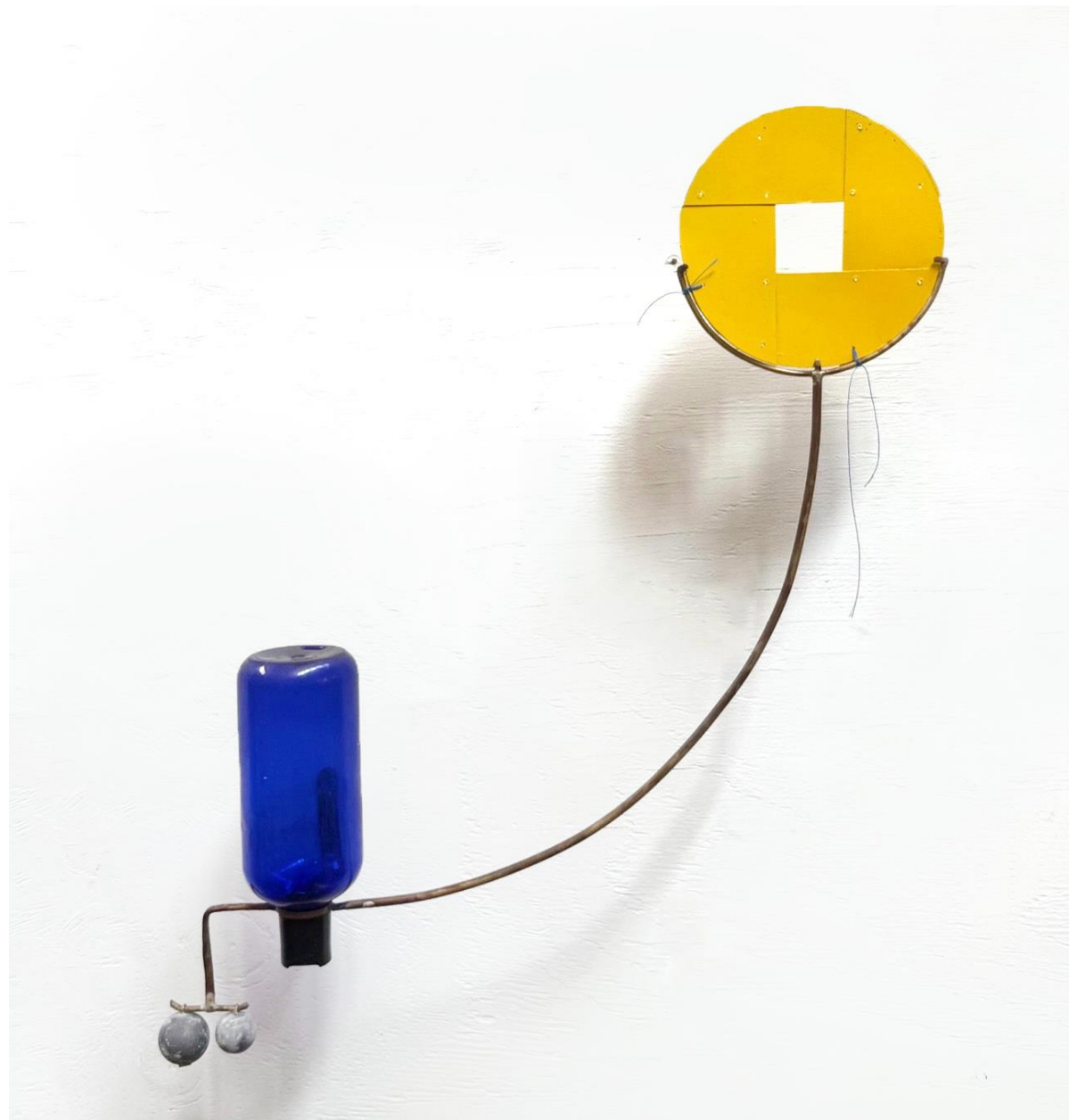
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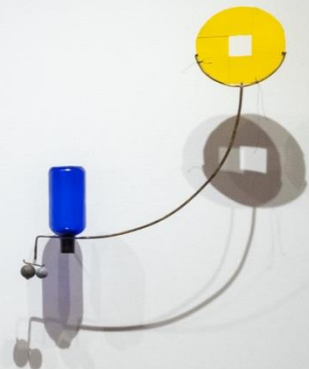
Paddling, 2025

Bamboo, paper, copper wire

16 x 10.25 x 3 inches

Paul Daniel
En Pointe, 2025
Brass, plastic, lead
20 x 17 x 4 inches





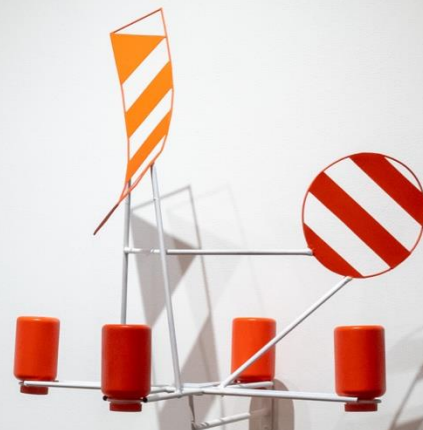


Paul Daniel
Bird of Passage, 2025
Brass, plastic, Krylon paint
26 x 24 x 24 inches



Paul Daniel
Tinker, 2025
Aluminum, brass, plastic
17 x 24 x 24 inches

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Paul Daniel
Bijou, 2026
Stone, slate, brass
9.38 x 7.5 x 3.25 inches

Paul Daniel
Heaven and Earth, 2025
Brass, plastic
8.5 x 7.5 x 6.25 inches





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Passing Gift, 2025

Stone, brass, aluminum, shell fossil, lead

8.5 x 14.5 x 10 inches



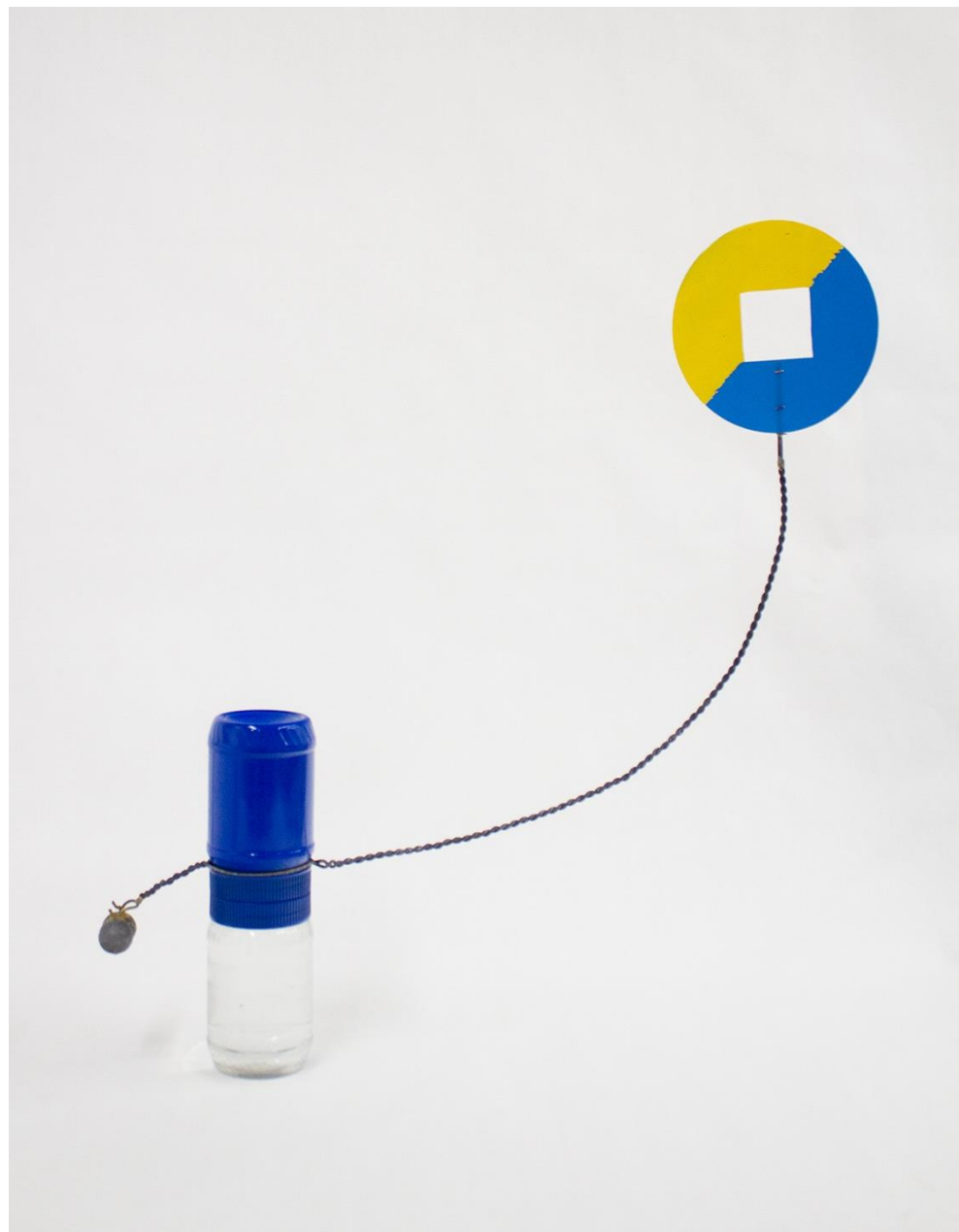


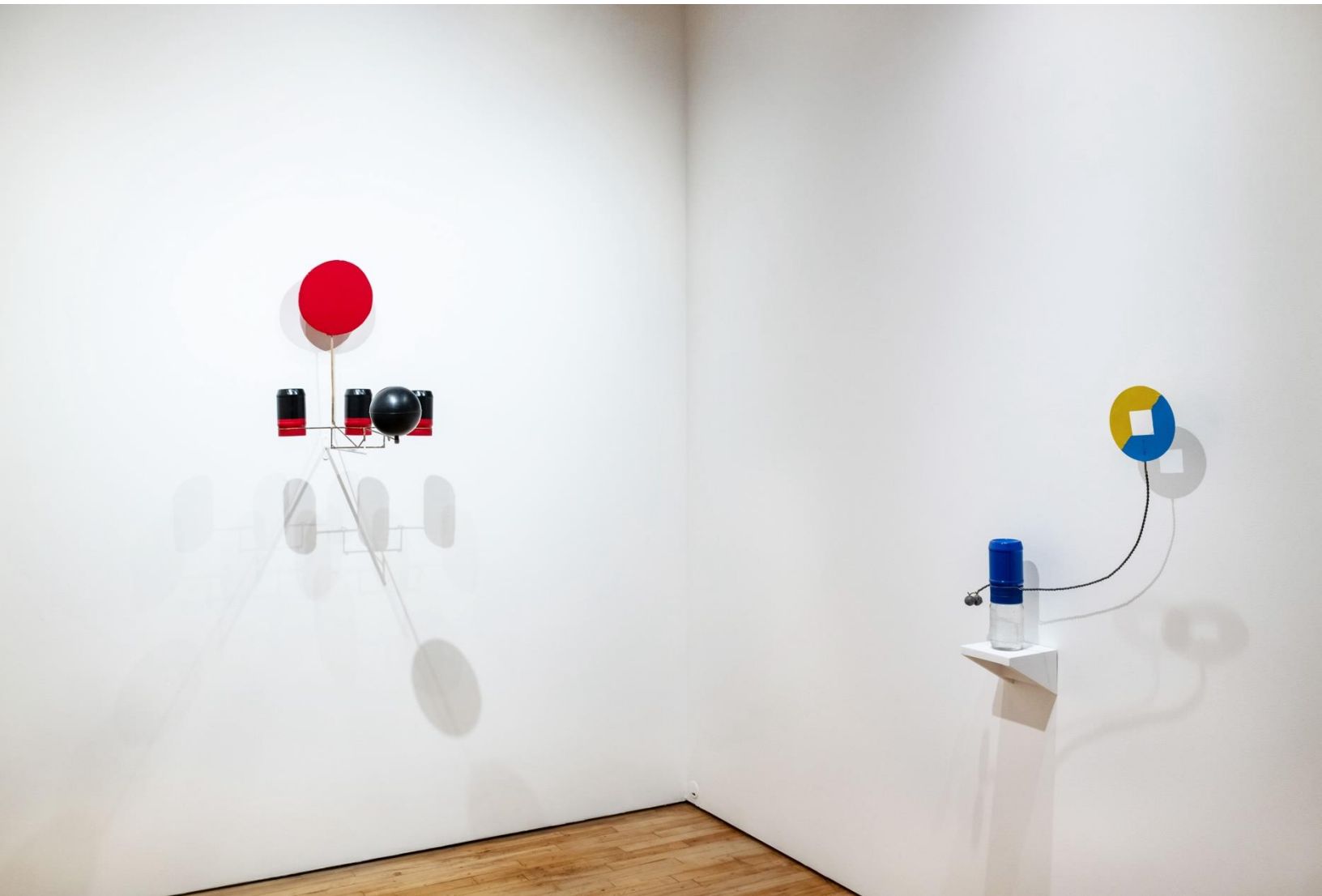
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Caravan, 2025
Brass, plastic, bamboo
21 x 33 x 17 inches

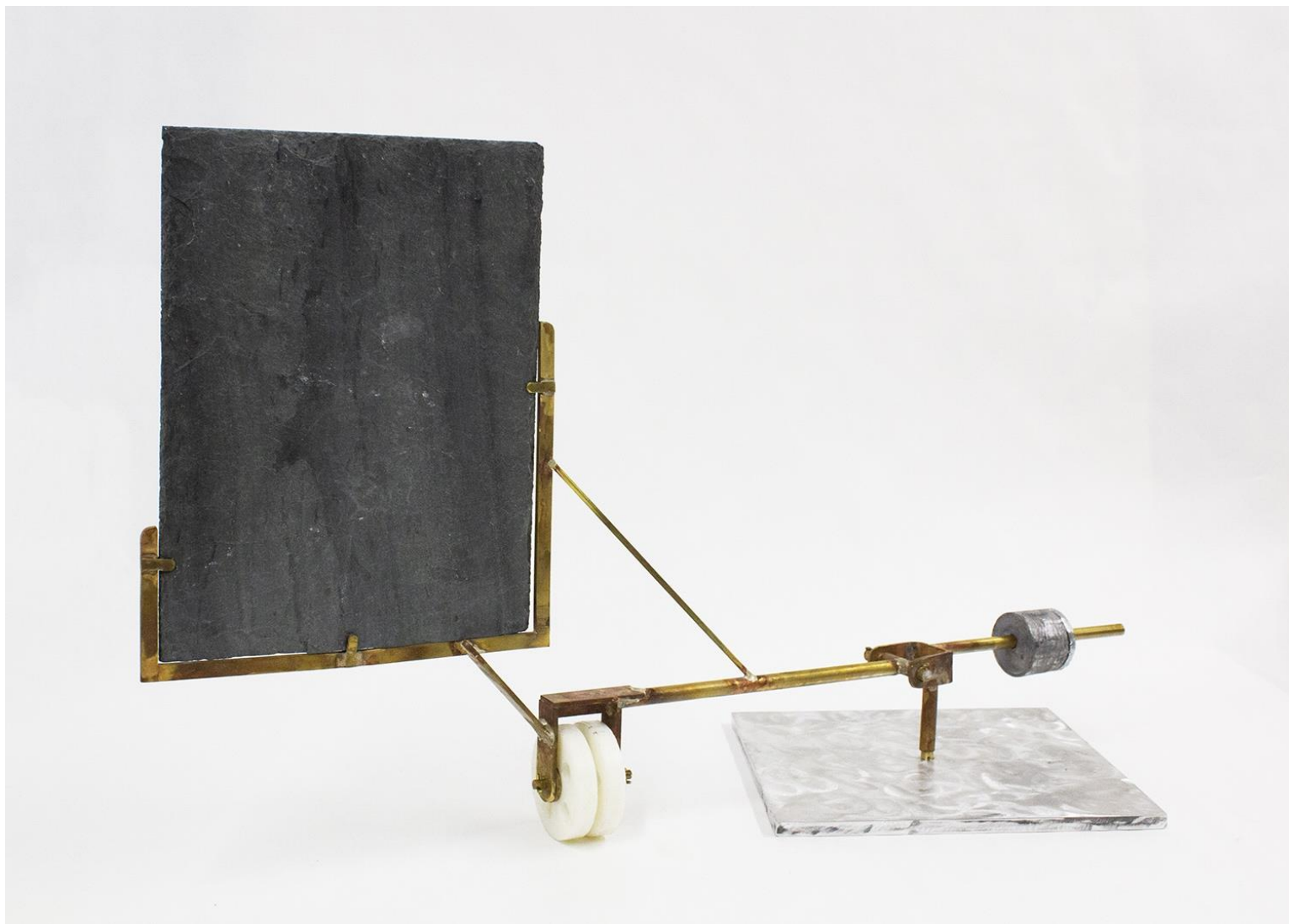
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Banner, 2025

Galvanized wire, plastic, brass, water, lead, Kylon paint
24.25 x 22 x 3 inches







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How Ya Doin, 2026

Slate, brass, aluminum, Teflon, lead

17.5 x 29 x 10 inches



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Wayward Drifter, 2026

Brass, plastic, bamboo, lead, wood

26.5 x 24 x 5 inches

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Brace, 2025
Shells, brass
10 x 10 x 3.5 inches







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Coming About, 2025
Brass, stone, Plexi
17.5 x 14.25 x 14.13 inches

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Method for Observation, 2025

Copper, brass, Teflon, lead

21 x 24.5 x 4.38 inches





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Souvenir, 2025
Sandstone, brass, plexiglass
13.5 x 14 x 14 inches

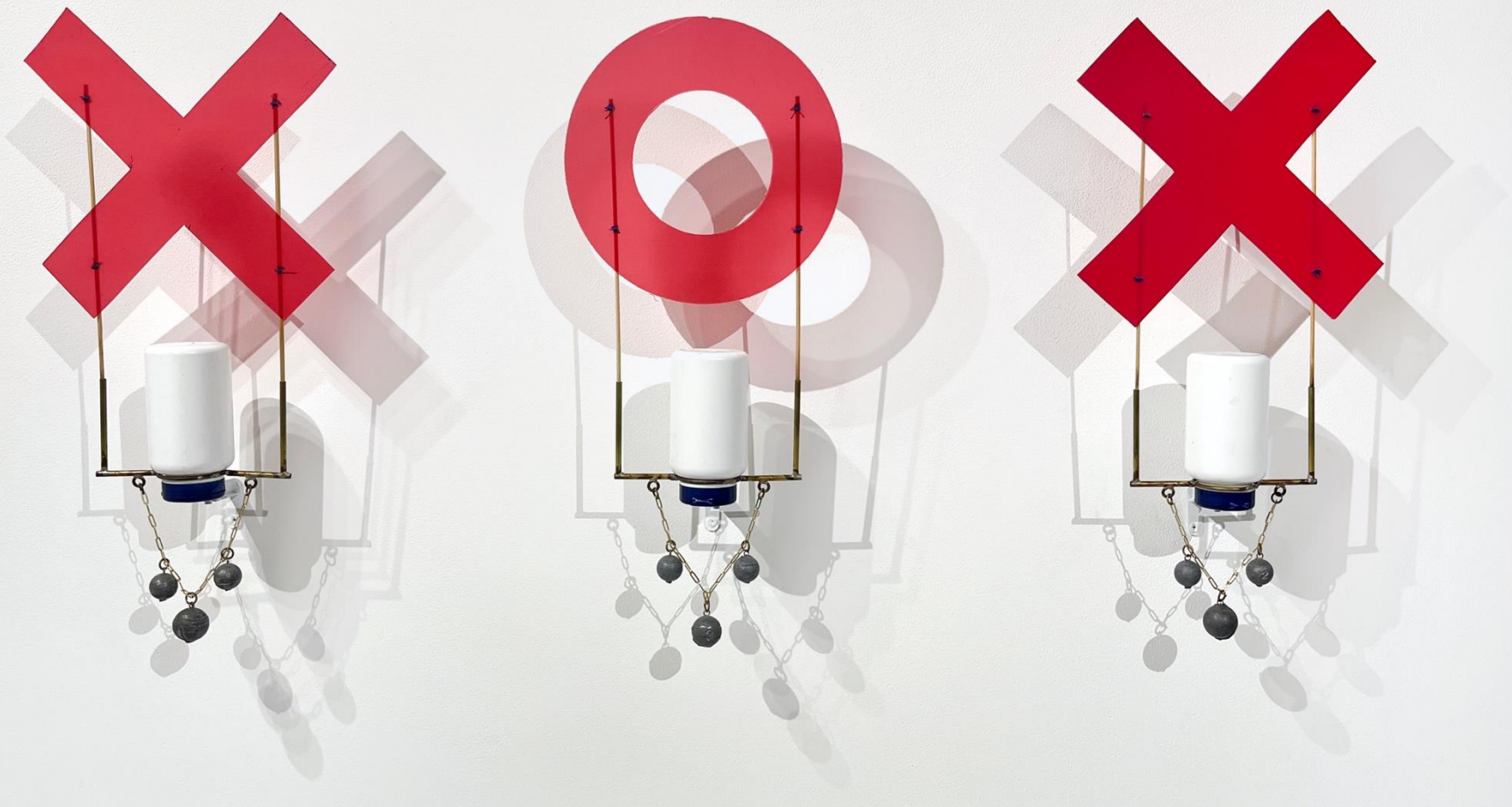


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On the Way Home, 2025
Brass, Teflon, plexiglass
18 x 18 x 18 inches

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Eve, 2025
Aluminum, brass, wood
12.75 x 9 x 9 inches







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Love Note, 2025

Brass, plastic, bamboo, lead

38.5 x 20 x 5 inches



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Brooch, 2025
Bamboo, brass, plastic, lead
26.5 x 11.5 x 4.5 inches



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Ms. Sweet Potato, 2026
Brass, plastic, water, sweet potato
19.5 x 25 x 12 inches



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