

VESSEL GALLERY

LONDON



Lene Tangen (1971 -)

Unique

Circa: 2018

2018

Norway

Glass

37 x 20.5 x 20.5 cm (14⁵/₁₆ x 8¹/₁₆ inches)

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Tangen has exhibited extensively throughout Europe, the USA and China. She has work in many private and public collections, most notably: Hejian City Museum, China | The Organizing Committee of Beijing Biennale | KODE Museum, Bergen, Norway | Svalbard Museum, Norway | The National Museum, Oslo, Norway | European Museum of Modern Glass, Germany.