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ZÉ CARLOS GARCIA (born in Aracaju, SE, Brazil, 1973 – lives and works in Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil) studied sculpture at the School of Fine Arts of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ) and also attended several courses at Parque Lage's Visual Arts School, in Rio de Janeiro.



His artistic practice is centered on the investigation of the body - whether animal, human or sculptural - and on the experience as a voluntary action that alters the landscape, undergoing a constant morphological change, also through the addition of new elements. The symbolism of the speeches of power that illustrate the development of humanity is also present in his research. Garcia conceives his works from existing bodies, sometimes dead, static, found, natural or artificial, to generate objects – "beings" – under the sign of sculpture. Pieces and fragments of antique furniture with feathers, carnival feathers and horsehair are organized to create hybrids filled with aesthetic and allegorical power, as well as landmarks of conquest and territorial narratives serve to build an idea of eternity and the loss of power as a trace of ruin and ephemerality.

Garcia has been showing his works in several solo exhibitions across the country and abroad. Among his most recent collective shows, we highlight: *Busan Biennale* (Busan, South Korea, 2018); *Horse Takes King* (Fondazione Prada, Milan, Italy, 2018 - in collaboration with Brazilian artist Laura Lima); *A Room and a Half* (Ujazdowski Castle Centre for Contemporary Art, Warsaw, Poland), among others. His works are part of important collections in Brazil, such as Marcos Amaro Foundation, located in Itu, Sao Paulo.







This work is part of the series *Birds* ("*Pássaros*"), in which the juxtaposition of elements in the shape of a sculptural object preserves the particularities and symbolism of each one, pointing to a balanced coexistence (or convenience?) between the parts. In this sense, Garcia takes us to his past experience as a maker of allegorical objects for the samba schools in Rio de Janeiro, which on many occasions served as agents for maintaining a colonial imaginary based on what some authors have referred to as the 'myth of the three races'.

Zé Carlos Garcia

Untitled, 2012 (from the series "Birds") Feathers, fabric, foam and fragments of wooden furniture $80 \times 45 \times 25$ cm Edition: unique USD 4.000 / BRL 16.000





Alísio, 2019
Feathers
1,80 x 1,20 x 1,00 m
Edition: 1/3 + 2 AP
USD 8.750 / BRL 35.000





Cadeira, 2009
Feathers and wooden furniture
100 x 80 x 100 cm
Edition: unique

USD 9.000 / BRL 32.000





Cadeira, 2010
Feathers and wooden furniture
100 x 170 x 70 cm
Edition: unique
USD 7.000 / BRL 28.000





Pássaro, 2019
Feathers, canvas and foam
75 x 50 x 30 cm
Edition: unique
USD 2.500 / BRL 10.000





Pássaro, 2019
Feathers, canvas and foam
56 x 38 x 32 cm
Edition: unique
USD 2.500 / BRL 10.000





Zé Carlos GarciaAutoretrato, 2016 Wooden furniture and feathers (diptych) 80 x 45 x 16 cm Edition: unique USD 4.750 / BRL 19.000





Untitled, 2018
Feathers, fabric and foam
20 x 35 x 20 cm
Edition: unique
USD 2.000 / BRL 8.000





Repousário I, 2017
Feathers, fabric and wood
6 x 14 x 41 cm
Edition: unique
USD 1.500 / BRL 6.000





Besta quadrada, 2017

Pink peroba turned wood mast, fabric, iron and cloth

300 x 320 x 100 cm

Edition: 1/3 + 2 AP

USD 10.000 / BRL 40.000





Cosmedamião, 2008 Plaster sculpture 110 x 50 x 40 cm Edition: unique USD 4.000 / BRL 16.000





Jogo, 2013
Turned wood mast and black automotive paint on wood ball $285 \times 15 \text{ cm (wood rod)} / 15 \times 7,5 \text{ cm (ball)}$ Edition: series of 5 pairs (rod + ball) + 1 AP
USD 5.000 (each pair) / BRL 20.000 (cada par)





Série Cocar, 2019
Photograph printed on cotton paper
80 x 80 cm
Edition: 1/6 + 2 AP

USD 2.000 / BRL 8.000





Série Cocar, 2019 Photograph printed on cotton paper 80 x 80 cm Edition: 1/6 + 2 AP

USD 2.000 / BRL 8.000





This work is part of the most recent series by Zé Carlos Garcia, which brings together small objects in panels. These objects emerge from the artist's research universe, consisting of fragments of furniture and materials of natural origin, such as manes and feathers. Some of these pieces also feature the artist's sculptural gesture. The objects work both freely and associated with others in a set, establishing a new and complex landscape, which refers to a collection far beyond a mere "cabinet of curiosities". More information on the following slide.





Untitled, 2020

Panel with 13 wooden pieces of furniture, horsehair and feather's hollow shaft 200 x 200 cm (approximately) Edition: unique

USD 5.000 / BRL 20.000



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