I went to the beach with a hydrophone to capture sounds underwater, but the reality was that I could hear 'nothing'. I could hear the waves making contact and the seaweed brushing against, but I could hear 'nothing' out there. I am only able to reach shallow waters, I do not have a boat. The only underwater sounds that I can hear are shallow and disappointing. I need to go deeper to hear any signs of *life*. Is my quest to hear into the depths like a mission to collect a trophy, something exotic?

As I walk along the flies swarm from the starfish, they are decomposing, emitting a yellow residue. What sound does a decomposing starfish make? Rising sea temperatures, deoxygenation and desalination could be the causes of these deaths. Or is it all part of a natural process? Is it sea star wasting disease? Perhaps it was the storms we've been having stranding them ashore?

## Disruption.

There is a storm brewing on the other side of the bay, I can see flashes of lightning from over here, it's currently over there. I cannot see the houses, they have been totally eclipsed by the cloud, which seems to have a solid edge at which it ends. Where does this border bleed into the sky over here? When will it take over the side that I am living on and rage with wind? The over there will soon be over here. I was recently walking in a park near my house with the toddler that I look after and he said 'let's sit down and look at the view'. We sat down, he then said 'oh let's run into the view' so we ran into the view until the next view was seen and we ran into that one, and so we continued.

## Cause and effect.

The recently dead Starfish look squishy, like star-shaped tongues, vibrant. Their arms folded underneath themselves, a lump of meat. The kin further on, are drained of colour, their inner structure exposed with grey lines. Empty of colour, a faded yellow like a corn cob that's been eaten. Pieces of their bodies are scattered, picked up and dropped by seagulls and crows. Death cycles exposed on the beach, entangled in the seaweed, does the body turn into sand?

Let's go on a journey.