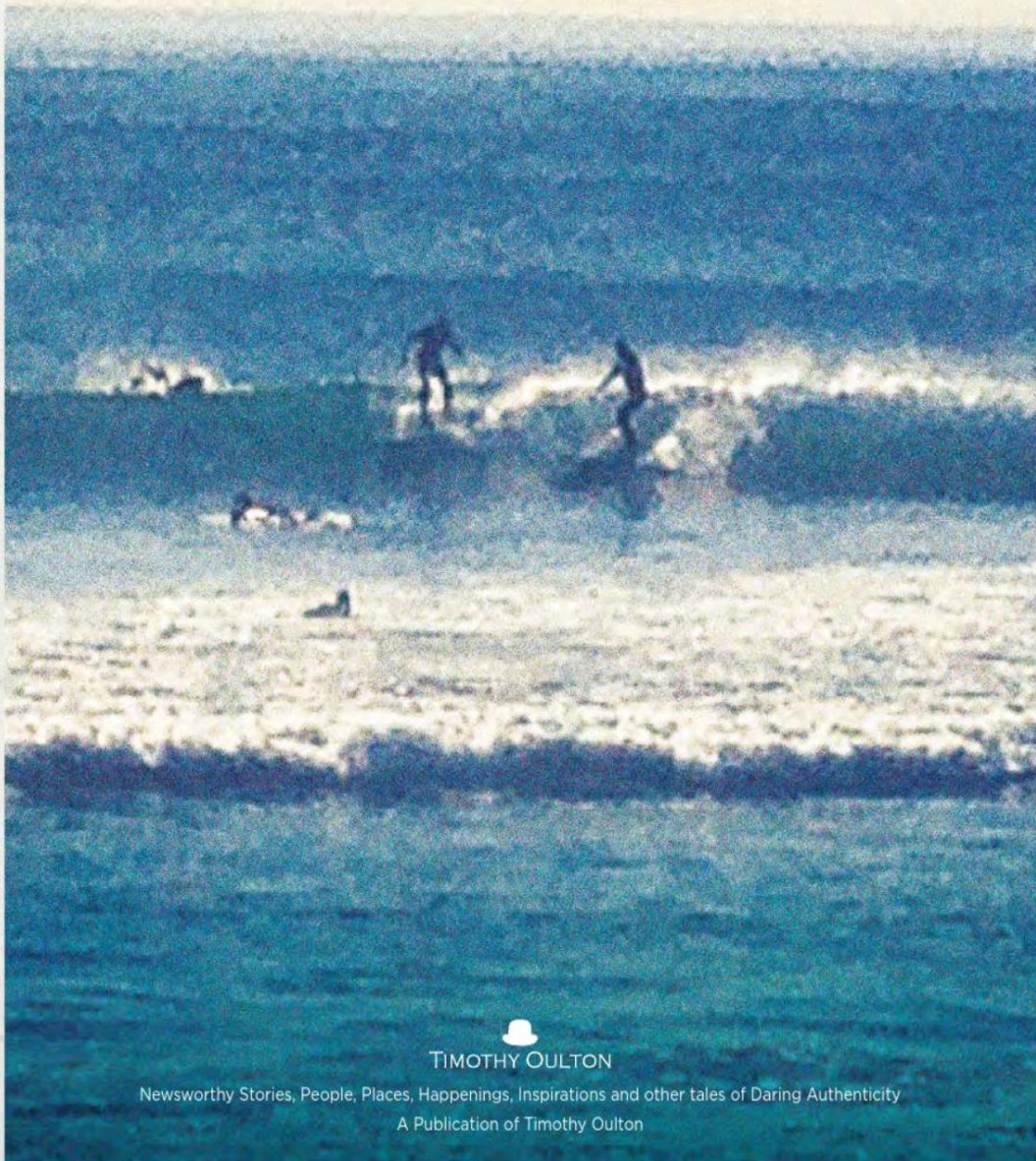


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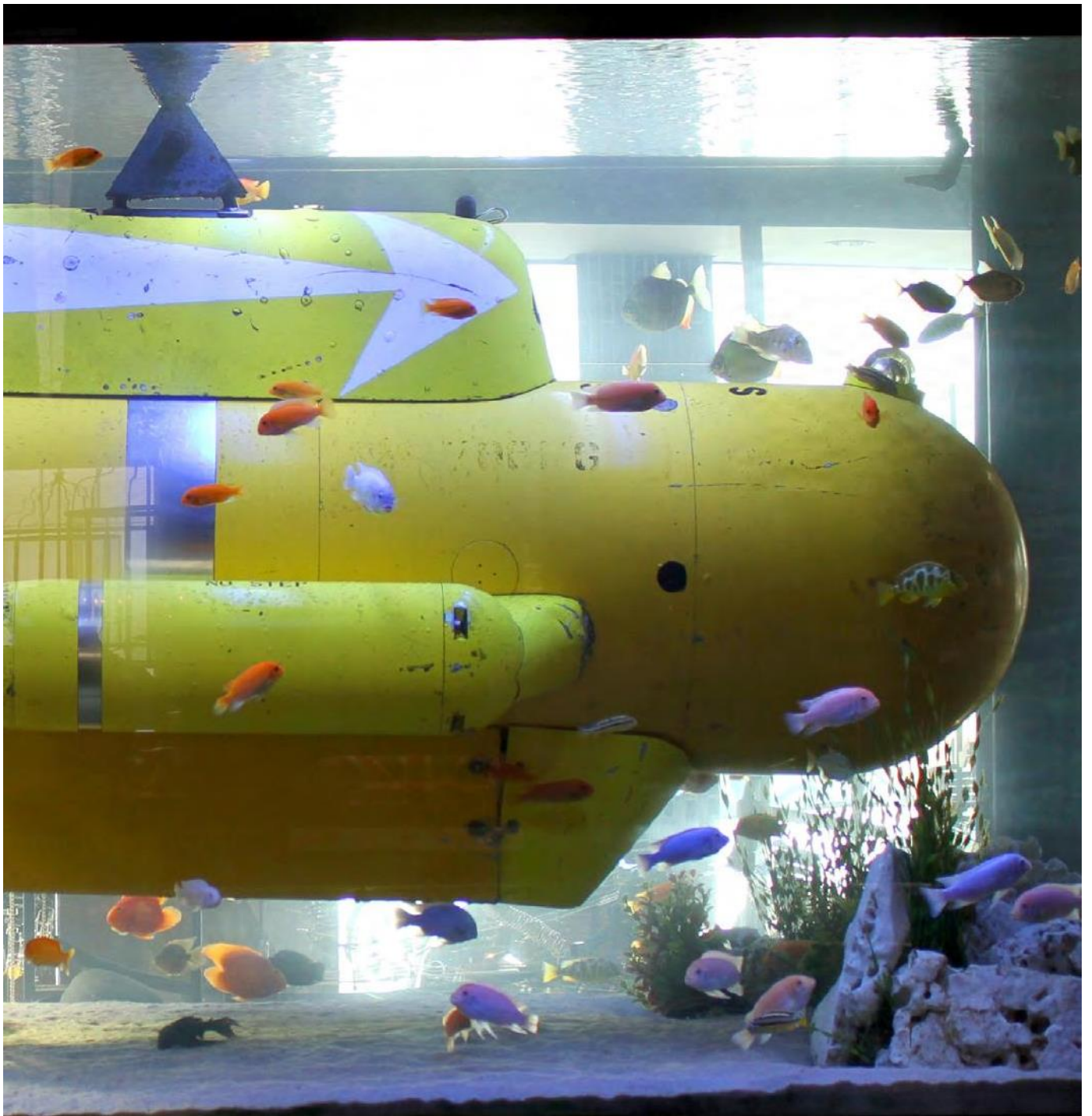
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## THE TIMOTHY OULTON'S VINTAGE COLLECTION

When Paul McCartney penned the lyrics to "Yellow Submarine" in 1966, specifically for Ringo Starr to perform the vocals, he says he was thinking of a happy place; a song for children about an old mariner reliving past tales. This carefree image is replaced by a somewhat more perilous one in the story of our own Yellow Submarine; the heart and soul of Timothy Oulton's Vintage Collection. Officially called the PAP 104 MK5, our Yellow Submarine originally had a much more serious purpose than its cheerful colour - and the Beatles hit - might suggest.



First introduced in the 1950s and known technically as ROV (remotely operated underwater vehicle) Subsea Mine Identification System, our Yellow Submarine was produced by engineering giants ECA Robotics. It was later deployed during the Gulf War where it was tasked with clearing a safe passage through minefields after the damage of two US ships in the region off Kuwait. A mission which it completed successfully.

PAP minesweepers operate by means of a guide-rope, steered remotely to navigate through the water and identify the mines via camera or sonar. The mine is then destroyed by a controlled explosion or by severing the mooring cable. PAP vehicles have completed more than 45,000 operations including many successful combat missions and are still in service with around 20 navies across the globe.

Timothy Oulton's Yellow Submarines were purchased from the British Royal Navy. At once breathtakingly playful and audacious, their unique provenance and cultural relevance resonated strongly with Tim as truly daring and authentic. To add that signature Timothy Oulton flair of twisting heritage with innovation, two of our Yellow Submarines are displayed in a custom built aquarium tank in our Amsterdam gallery, complete with tropical fish, while another is showcased in the Lounge of our Geneva gallery.

Everything in our Vintage Collection is available to purchase. Visit your nearest gallery for details.