

## <u>Sculpture</u> Created & donated by Bryon Hartley

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Wood and glass

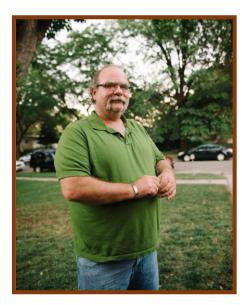
Value \$150

"Creating art honors the traditions of making by hand and presents an arena where I am the designer and the maker. When I make, I hunt myself down; I pursue that moment when a piece is finished and I can pause.

The making process totally consumes me, hours are spent planning, sketching, fabricating, jig building, and mold making. I



reach the point of exhaustion trying to figure out positive and negative space, a faultless line, curve, or form. Sleep is longed for, but I drive on. I am chasing perfection and once it is reached, I am at peace. It is a euphoric high. Inspiration comes from my rock. It is a magnificent place where I can stay all day."



Hartley grew up in central Illinois and currently maintains a residence and studio in Dawson, Illinois. He earned his BFA from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. He has presented his work in countless group exhibitions and has several public art pieces on display across the country.

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