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Erin Taylor Editions Newsletter

INTRODUCING
HUMAN KNOT
BY BILL MACK



Limited Edition Human Knot Alto Relief in Bonded Stainless

Human Knot is the newest addition to Bill Mack's internationally popular alto-relief collection. This relief is inspired by the extraordinary art of contortion, the performance of twisting and bending through extreme physical flexibility. Just as a contortionist pushes the boundaries of the human body, Bill Mack, once again, pushes the boundaries of relief sculpture by twisting the curves and the contours of the human form. The two figures, whose gender cannot be immediately determined, gracefully interlace into one beautifully flowing relief. The alto-relief measures 31" tall by 31" wide (artwork only), 35" tall by 38" wide framed.



Clay Model - 1st Stage

When Bill Mack first saw the photos of the contortionist models, his mind saw the combination of compound curves as sculpture, not necessarily human figures. Mack, whose models for *Human Knot* were a husband and wife, is quick to point out that gender is not important in this, the first in a series of six different, *Human Knot* images.

As this project developed over the last two years, visitors to Mack's gallery and home studio enjoyed viewing the transformation of the work in progress from the clay model to the finished artwork.

In addition to his Alto Relief, Bill Mack created a full-round sculpture of *Human Knot* in cast bronze, which is available in three different sizes; maquette, half life-size, and life-size.



Finished Full-round Sculpture

Mack projects that the *Human Knot* sculpture series will include two images of a man and women, two images of two women, and two of two men. The sculptures are not about the relationship or the gender of the figures in the sculptures. It is the complex combination of the light and shadows produced by the compound curves in the human form that was the basic concept in producing this artwork.



Mack presenting Half Life-Size Human Knot in Cast Bronze

We are excited to announce additional new artwork in the coming months! Thank you for your continued support of Bill Mack artworks.

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A large, stylized white signature of Bill Mack, written in a cursive, flowing script.