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Motown, 2016 by Wendell Castle



Wendell Castle with maquettes



Dante's Heaven, 2015 by Wendell Castle

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Wendell Castle

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Wendell Castle's work exists simultaneously as functional objects and as sculptural forms because throughout his practice he saw no distinction between form and function. Castle not only challenged the boundaries of furniture and art he also employed innovative materials and processes to create sculptural furniture. In this bibliography, we have included titles about Castle, and works on 20th century studio furniture.

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Wendell Castle, American (1932–2018). *Motown*, 2016. Stained Ash, 34 1/4 × 65 × 40 inches.

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Wendell Castle, American (1932–2018). *Dante's Heaven*, 2015

Bronze

2 parts: 89 x 75.5 x 52.75 inches

87.75 x 58.25 x 41.75 inches

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