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### Mark Yale Harris Biography:

Mark Yale Harris was born in Buffalo, New York and spent hours as a child in his own artistic world. He was honored with awards and scholarships for his art, but was encouraged to pursue a more conventional career. As such, he received a B.S.S. in 1961 from Ohio State University, and embarked upon a successful career in real estate and hotel development. Never abandoning his first love, he sold his company in 1996 to fulfill his dream of creating art full-time. Although he had over a half-century of life experience, Harris was a novice at his craft. The artist chose a mentor whom he had long admired to assist with honing his burgeoning artistic skills, sculptor Bill Prokopiou (Aleut, 1944-1999). Prokopiou and sculptor Doug Hyde (Nez Perce) took Harris under their wings and generously shared their immense knowledge, talent, and vision. Today, Harris's sculpture has been included in 80+ solo, museum and international exhibitions. 100+ publications have featured his sculpture in the past 10 years. Three books have been published dedicated entirely to the important works created thus far in Harris's career. Permanent public collections, include: Hilton Hotels; Booth Western Art Museum - Cartersville, GA; Herman Memorial Hospital - Houston, TX; State of New Mexico; Four Seasons Hotel - Chicago, IL; and City of Roanoke, Virginia. Exhibitions include: Royal Academy of Art – London, UK; Marin MOCA, Marin, CA; Open Air Museum - Ube, Japan; and the Frederick Remington Museum – Ogdensburg, NY.



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