

Dorothy Thorpe Lucite Spiral Spring Umbrella Stand

Reference:

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Dorothy Thorpe Spiral Spring Umbrella Lucite Stand. This piece of early Lucite sculptural art features a piece of Lucite spun into a spring shape with a small holder along the bottom. All the qualities that made Lucite a beguiling material in the 1960s and 70s—lightness, both visual and literal, a touch of glamour—remain true today. The California-born glass artist Dorothy Thorpe was something of a pioneer in the use of Lucite (the material is, more accurately, acrylic; Lucite is the trademark name coined by DuPont), experimenting with the stuff as far back as 1941. Unlike her Mid-Century contemporaries, though, Thorpe exchanged hard-edged geometry for freeform, amorphous compositions: knotted, twisted, spiraling tubing that, even today, looks technologically advanced. Much of Thorpe's earlier glass work was characterized by Art Nouveau-influenced floral motifs. But by the 1970's, and evidenced by these graceful pieces, she smartly traded in bells and whistles for pure, sculptural elegance.

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Price:

\$900.00



Main Image:

DetailsPeriod: MID-CENTURY MODERN

Category: MISCELLANEOUS

Condition: Excellent

- Height: 22 Diameter: 10.75

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