



Art Deco Torchère

Walter Kantack
ca 1930
aluminum and cast bronze
American

This pair of Art Deco Torchères was salvaged from the soaring red mosaic lobby of the Irving Trust Bank located at 1 Wall St, New York, NY. The bank was designed by architects Voorhees, Gmelin & Walker and the Torchères were made by Walter Kantack. The Irving Trust Bank's role as an upper crust financial institution was reflected on its interior decoration. The majestic entrance hall, inspired by Stockholm City Hall in Sweden, was called the Red Room. Decorated by Hildreth Meiere, the 8,911 square feet of mosaics that adorn the walls and ceiling shift gradually from red the gold with intricate golden vein-like patterns. The columns are of red marble and the floor is paved with red terrazzo.

Overall measurements: 8'-2"h x 22"w
Base: 19 1/2"l x 19 1/2"w

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Kantack & Co. furniture for the Officers' lounge of the Irving Trust Co. [Voorhees, Gmelin, & Walker, architects]; bronze and aluminum, the woven wallpaper fabric depicting a recurring Indian war bonnet motif.