

MAKING OF METAL ART



Hand made in Haiti from recycled oil drums. Use indoors or outdoors. The metal, for large part, comes from used oil drums bought at the Port-au-Prince docks. Requiring intense labor, every drum must be cleaned of all oil residues and flattened. Each artist draws his design on the steel with chalk. Then the piece is hand cut, using hammer and chisel. It takes many steps and many hours to make a single piece of art. Some people prefer the natural steel color. Others love the bright-painted designs embellishing the raw steel.

BURN THE OIL OFF THE DRUMS



FLATTEN



TRACE FROM TEMPLATE THEN CUT WITH HAMMER AND CHISEL

WHO YOU ARE HELPING



Woodnet St. Prieux, 24 years old, is a beautiful young man who makes metal art in the village of Croix des Bouquets in Haiti. His doesn't know his father. His mom died when he was young leaving him, as the oldest, to take care of himself and 6 siblings. Because of his craft his youngest brother, now 14, can go to school and he and his family have food to eat and a roof over their heads. When you buy Fair Trade or ethically made products you are directly impacting the lives of people like Woodnet.