

# MODERNIST DESIGN



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**HARRY BERTOIA**  
untitled (ink block painting)

USA, c. 1948 | color inks and oil on heavy paper  
39 h × 24 w in (99 × 61 cm)

Bertoia created his wood block paintings by directly applying the block to the surface and gradually building color and texture to create a three-dimensionality that does not exist in his print work.

**Provenance:** Estate of the artist Private Collection, San Francisco

**Estimate:** \$3,000–5,000

**Result:** \$6,435

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