

TAKING SHAPE: THE AKARI LIGHT SCULPTURES OF ISAMU NOGUCHI



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ISAMU NOGUCHI

Akari light sculpture, model 10A

Ozeki & Co., Ltd. | Japan, designed 1952 | washi paper, bamboo, wood, enameled steel, cane
49 h x 20½ dia in (124 x 52 cm)

Stamped 'Sun and Moon' ideogram to shade.

Literature: *Akari Lamps by Isamu Noguchi*, circa 1952 early promotional sheet with original eighteen models, The Noguchi Museum Archives, LBD_50S_025_025 *Akari Lamps*, Bonniers catalog brochure, The Noguchi Museum Archives, MS_AKA_008_015 *Akari Lamps by Isamu Noguchi*, 1956 Bonniers assembly instructions, The Noguchi Museum Archives, B_AD_2001_1956 *Isamu Noguchi "Akari"*, Craft and Design Museum, Gifu exhibition catalog, unpaginated *Design: Isamu Noguchi and Isamu Kenmochi*, Rychlak, Mori, Murayama, and Matsumoto, pg. 99

Estimate: \$6,000–8,000

Result: \$20,160

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