

# TAKING SHAPE: THE AKARI LIGHT SCULPTURES OF ISAMU NOGUCHI



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## ISAMU NOGUCHI

### Akari light sculptures model BB2-45XN, pair

Ozeki & Co., Ltd. | Japan, shade designed c. 1978 | washi paper, bamboo, enameled cast iron

30 h × 7¼ w × 7¼ d in (76 × 20 × 20 cm)

Stamped 'Sun and Moon' ideogram to each shade. Cast manufacturer's mark to underside of each base 'Made in Japan'.

**Literature:** *NEW AKARI Light Sculpture*, 1977 dimension and assembly brochure, The Noguchi Museum Archives, MS\_AKA\_008\_020 *Isamu Noguchi "Akari"*, Craft and Design Museum, Gifu exhibition catalog, unpaginated *Design: Isamu Noguchi and Isamu Kenmochi*, Rychlak, Mori, Murayama, and Matsumoto, pg. 102

**Estimate:** \$6,000–8,000

**Result:** \$8,820

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