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SALVADOR DALI: The Zodiac Bas Reliefs

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Opening Reception: Thursday, June 23, 2011 from 6 – 9pm



The William Bennett Gallery is pleased to present the first showing of Salvador Dali's The Zodiac Bas Reliefs. The bas reliefs are vivid expressions of the 12 signs of the zodiac – Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius and Pisces. Each offers Dali's impressive interpretations of these popular signs. For Dali, the zodiac was a gateway to the mysteries of human nature. Each iconic image reflects its place in the zodiac, and Dali's search beyond the gate. Each is a unique work of art, a collector's item for Dali connoisseurs.

In the late 1960's, Leon Amiel, a well-known publisher of Dali's works, commissioned Dali to create the molds for each of the 12 signs of the Zodiac based on Dali's Zodiac gouaches and lithographs. Amiel then sold the rights to these to R.H. Brown & Co. Finally after almost 40 years having passed since the creation of the original molds, the bronze sculptures were at last produced in a limited edition in 2010. Working with Dali Zodiac, LLC, the William Bennett Gallery has acquired sets for exhibition and sale.

These works will be included in the exhibition *The Surreal Universe of Salvador Dali*.

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About William Bennett Gallery

Located on Greene Street in New York's SoHo district, The William Bennett Gallery exhibits works from the masters: Pablo Picasso, Rembrandt, Andy Warhol, Salvador Dali, Marc Chagall and Joan Miro. The gallery is open every day to the public and also showcases an impressive collection of contemporary up-and-coming artists. This must-see, multi-level gallery is a haven for collectors and appreciators alike and acts as a hot-spot for celebrity art collectors and scholars from the world of art history.