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PAIR OF KNEELING BAMBARA FETISH FIGURES

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c. 1900 • Mali • Iron • Collection #CAA1445 W: 1.25" D: 1.5" H: 4.5"

This pair of hand wrought iron supplicants was made by the Bambara people, where blacksmithing was seen as a mystical art. Smiths would be commissioned to create divine votives whose full purpose would only be known to the creator and commissioner. The resulting sculptures are powerful in their simplicity, gestural forms filled with the devotion of their owners.