



"W.A. JONES" HELMET & JACKET BY PATRICK FITZGERALD

\$480

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W: 7.75" D: 3.0" H: 11.5"

Chicago-based artist Patrick Fitzgerald uses his works as a means of resurrecting the idyllic worlds he once found in the industrial surroundings of his youth. Raised in Grand Rapids, MI, he looks to the raw beauty and inherent potential of his manufacturing hometown as an endless source of creative inspiration. Working from found materials, Fitzgerald constructs miniature versions of soap box cars and the branded attire of their imagined drivers. Inspired by African masks, each helmet and jacket set experiments with futuristic forms yet maintains a profound resonance with the past. Continued...



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The jackets are then finished with designs culled from an old 1945 industrial directory, a nod to the small business sponsorship of box car racing. Constructed with meticulous care, each piece is imbued with a sense of storied history and latent vitality, traceable in the minute details and the weathered charm of the hand-painted finish.

Formed card stock, paper tubing, duct tape, acrylic paint, and oil paint. Set on a custom steel stand.



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