

Huichol Deer

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Huichol Indian Nation

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Beaded sculpture with horn antlers

24 x 27 x 14 in.

Gift of the Highland Park Sister Cities Foundation, the Puerto Vallarta Sister Cities Committee, and the people of Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico.

The sculpture, from Puerto Vallarta, was created by the Huichol Indians and is made with thousands of small glass beads in intricate designs. The designs represent special symbols to the Huichols, natives of the Sierra Madre Mountains of Mexico, known for their intricate yarn and bead artwork. In their artwork, the Huichol express their deepest religious feelings and beliefs. Thematic designs in their art, and the colors in which they are composed, have spiritual significance. Red represents the east, green is heaven and white represents clouds.

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