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Sabbath Basket
Paper

Nicole Phungrasamee Fein is an artist who works meticulously and meditatively with her chosen materials. For the creation of *Sabbath Basket*, the six points of the woven basket refer to the six days of the week, all leading to the quiet center, the seventh point from whence the pattern begins and ends. Unlike the sturdy, functional wares for which this Thai weaving technique was originally designed, Fein has created a delicately woven, closed basket out of paper, rendering it unusable in reference to Sabbath restrictions on labor. SH



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