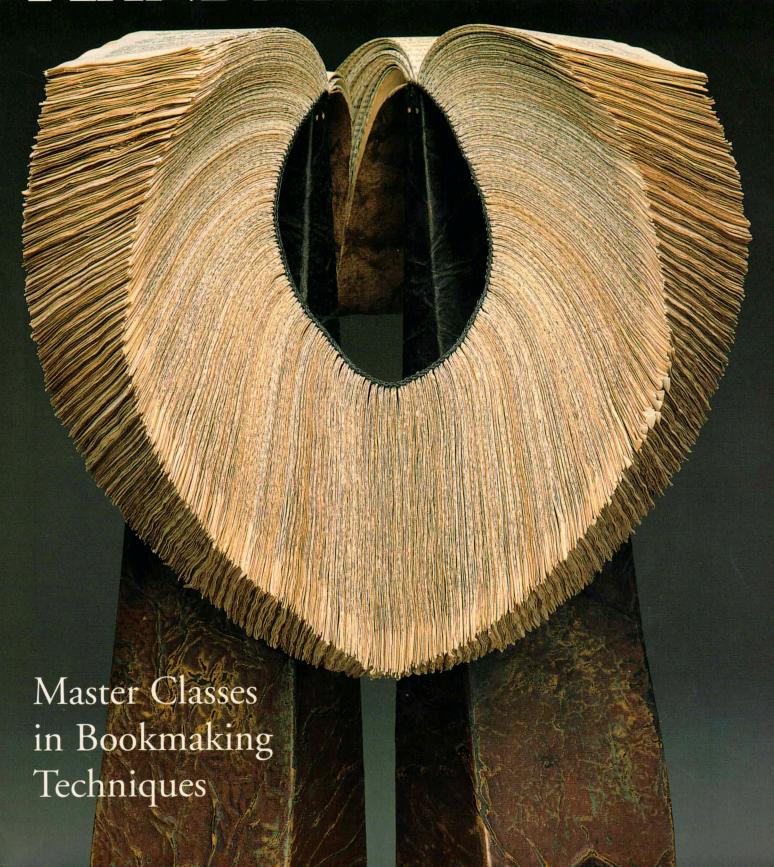
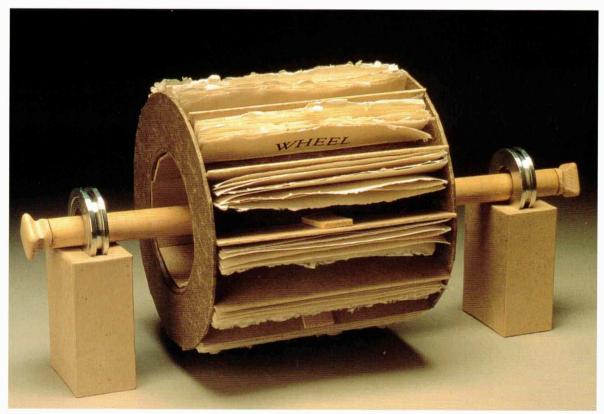
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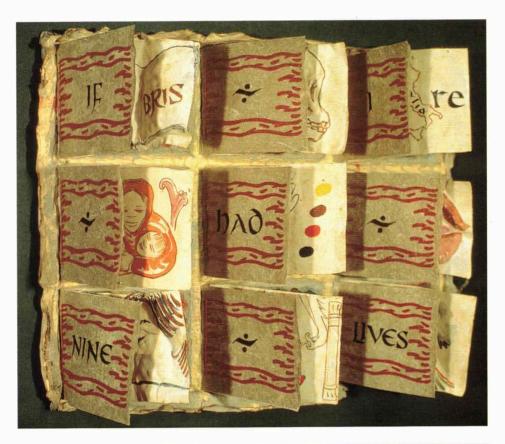
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Hanging on a wall in my studio is this quote from Albert Einstein: "The laws of nature are so immutable that if it had not been for Newton, someone would have discovered the laws of gravity, but if Beethoven had not been born we would not have had the Eroika." As I prepare to write a statement about the artists represented in this gallery I am profoundly aware of what would have been missing from our lives if they had not been born.

Thanks Bill Drendel, for your wonderfully zany look at the world. Thanks Robbin, for making books that are still attached to your hands and heart. Thanks Bonnie, for your three-dimensional stories. Lynn, thanks for thoughts that have no beginning or end. That's as it should be if we are to live forever. And Dan? You know I'm going to embarrass you, don't you? There are two things I can never tell you: how much I respect you, and how much I love you. And finally, thank you to the one who's brought me the most joy and tears, my daughter, Allison. Thanks to all of you for being born.



Lynn Sures, Water-Wheel Book, 1998. 22 x 91/2 x 9 inches (55.8 x 24.1 x 22.9 cm). Artist-made paper, cardboard, wood, metal, linen thread. Photo by Chan Chao.





Lynn Sures, If I Had Nine Lives, 1999. 22 x 18 x 8 inches (55.8 x 45.7 x 20.3 cm). Cast paper pulp, wire, acrylic, ink, linen thread; screen print. Photos by the artist.