

Art Auction 2018

I am auctioning off several works to benefit the Sigma Phi Lambda's annual Coach Charles Torpey Memorial Sig Phive K. All proceeds will go to supporting La Salle Academy (a very deserving group dedicated to educating children in grades 3 through 8 whose life opportunities are limited by financial, academic, social or emotional challenges, and whose parents/guardians desire, but cannot afford a Catholic education).

The pieces are all made of wood. The work is mostly “additive” meaning that I start with small pieces of wood and glue (“add”) them to some backing. Some of the works incorporate “found objects” – art speak for trash-picking booty.

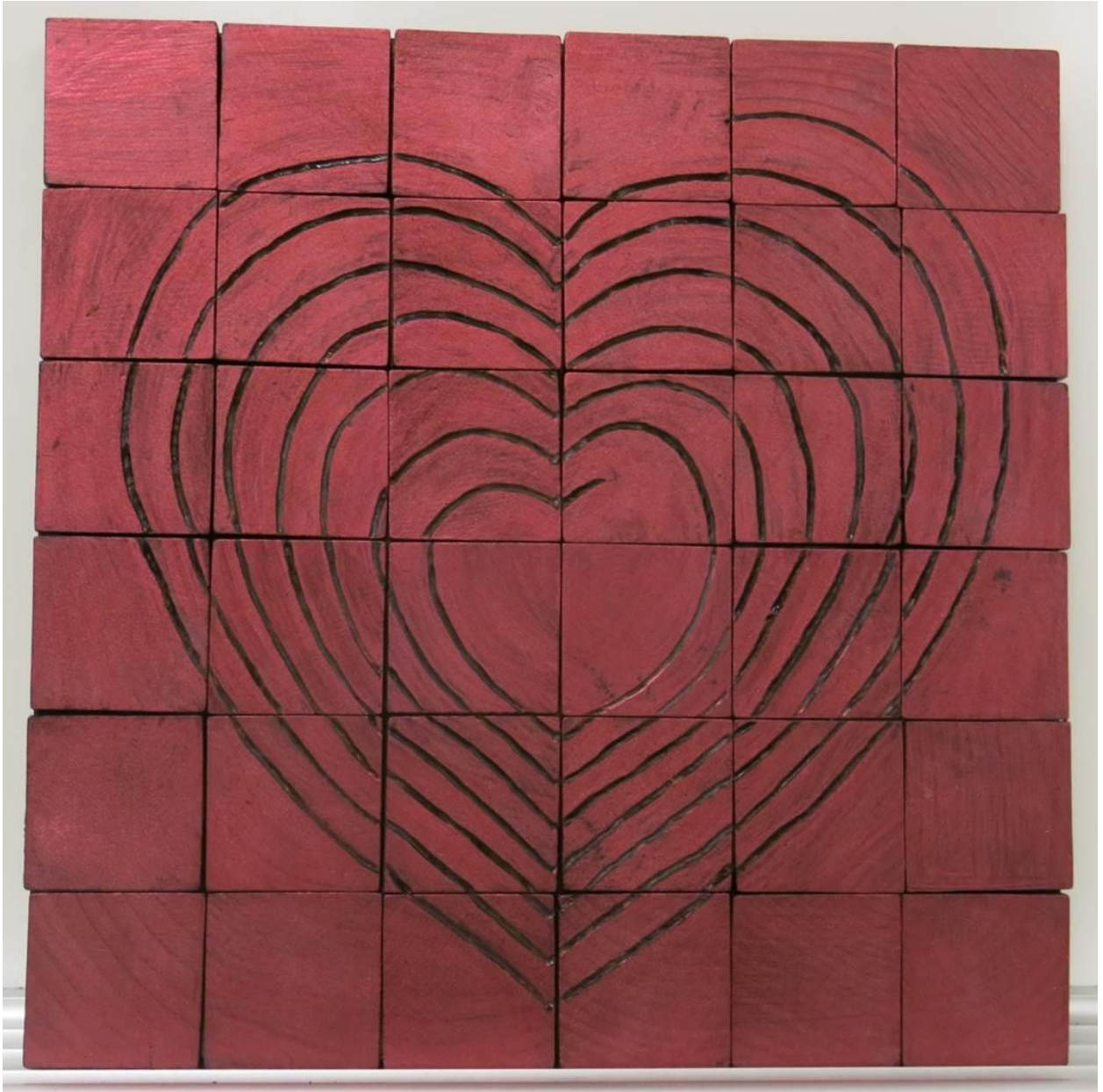
I may have to have a second round this year, there are a number of pieces (including Eagles logos and skulls) that I started but not yet finished.

(Just a warning – my camera tends to elevate the contrast)

Bids should start at \$25 per piece. The minimal increment is \$10. Email bids to blum@lasalle.edu

<http://www1.lasalle.edu/~blum/ArtAuction2018.html>

Bidding ends Sunday, November 25 at 7:00PM (Eastern Standard Time)



#1

Title: Spiral Heart (Red)

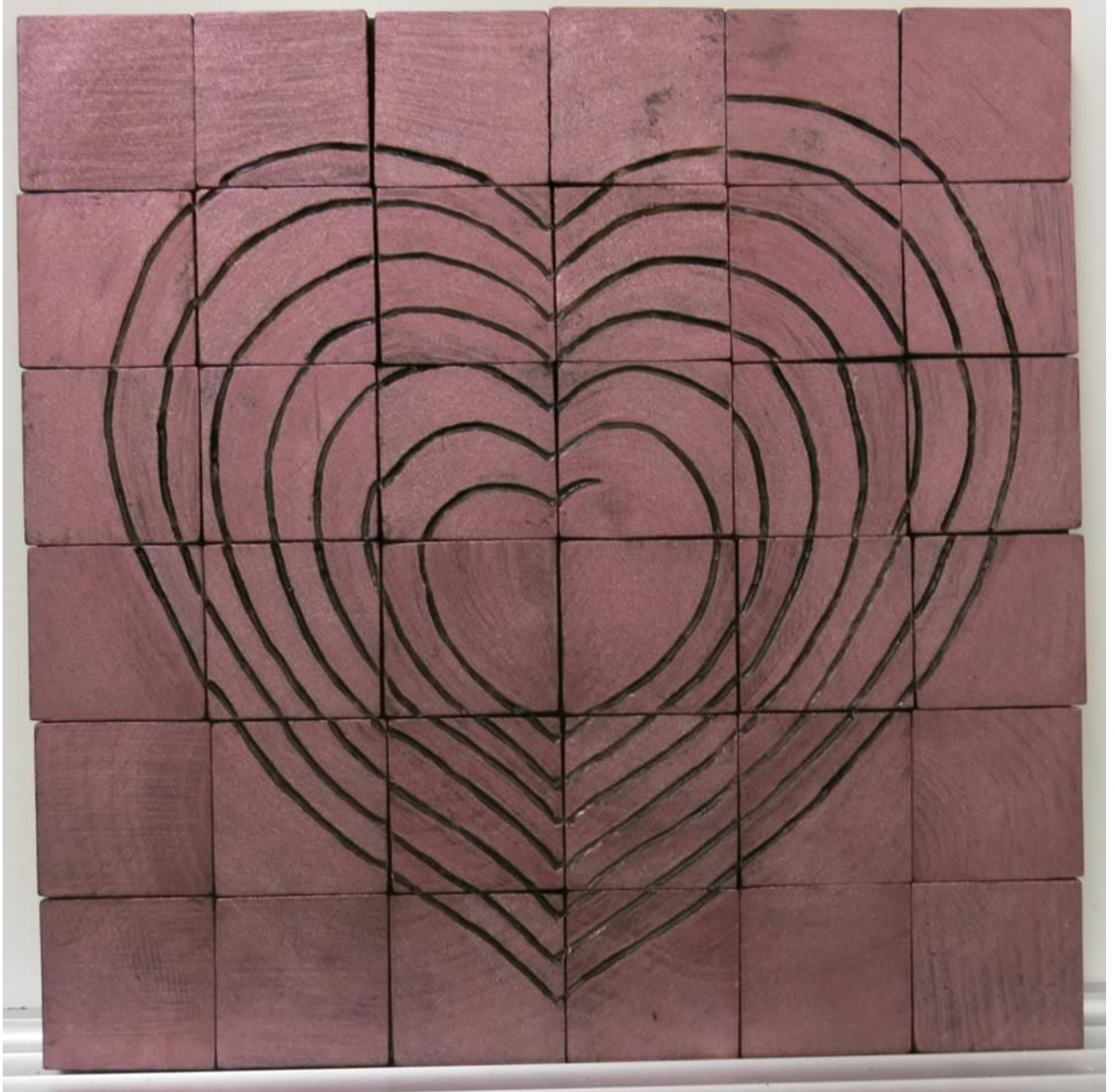
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Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Media: Wood, paint, stain

Read into in what you will. I combined the mathematics of the heart shape and a spiral and ended up with a spiral heart.



#2

Title: Spiral Heart (Pink)

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Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

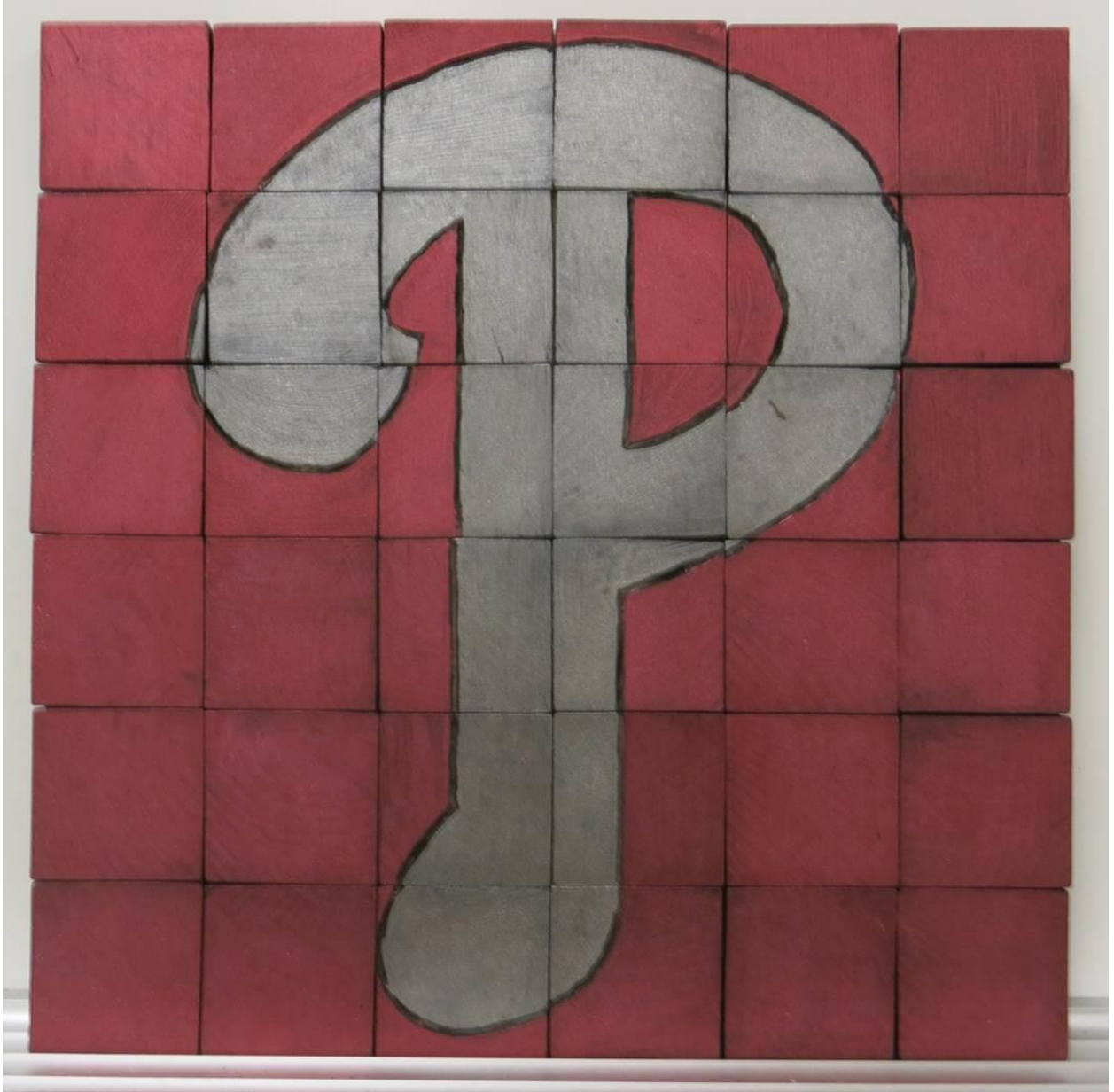
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#3
Title: EAGLES
Width: 12 inch
Height: 12 inch
Depth: .5 inch
Media: Wood, paint, stain

An Eagles logo.



#4

Title: Phillies P (Silver on Red)

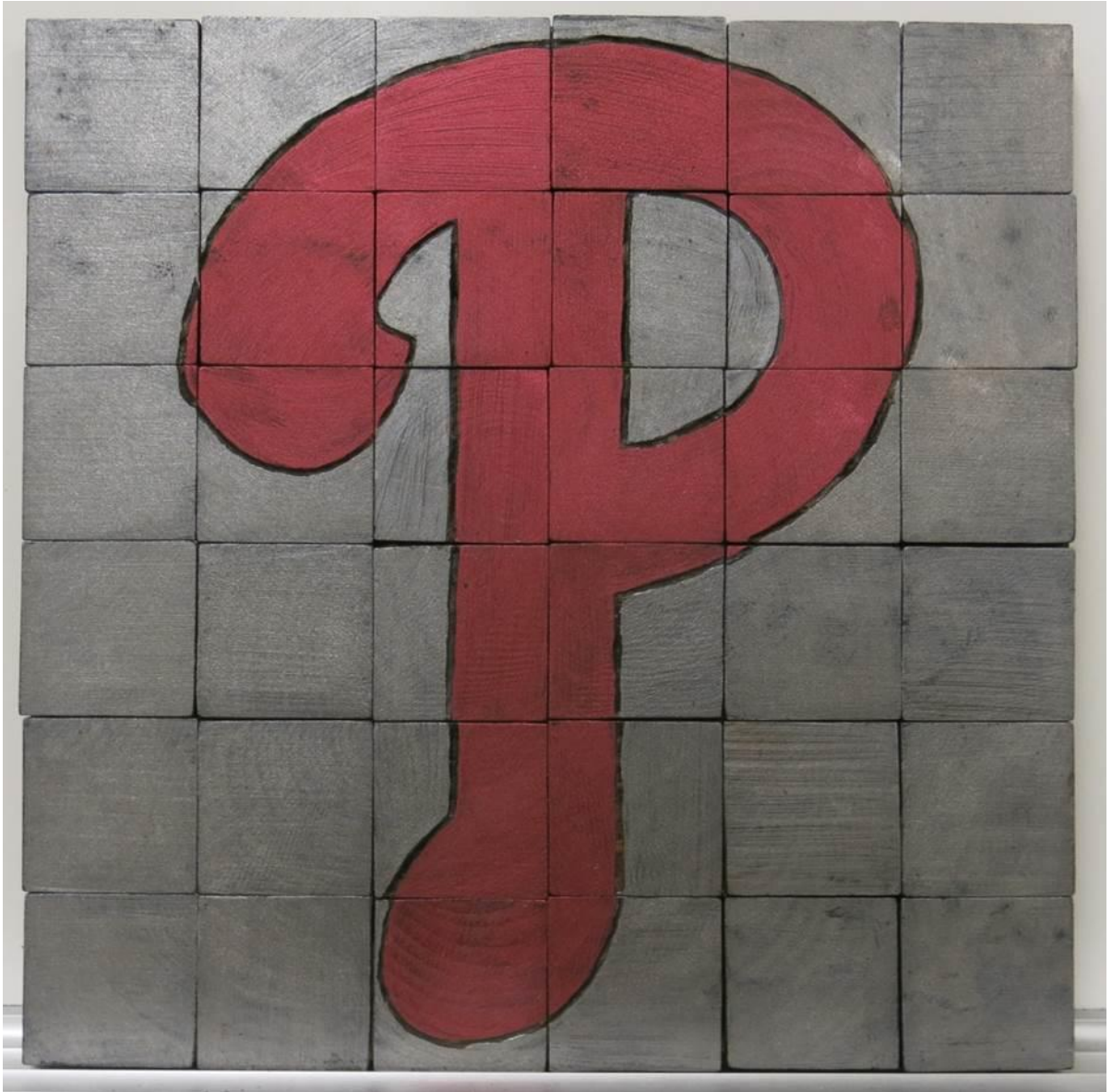
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Media: Wood, paint, stain

A Phillies P – it's easier to make than an Eagles logo.



#5

Title: Phillies P (Red on Silver)

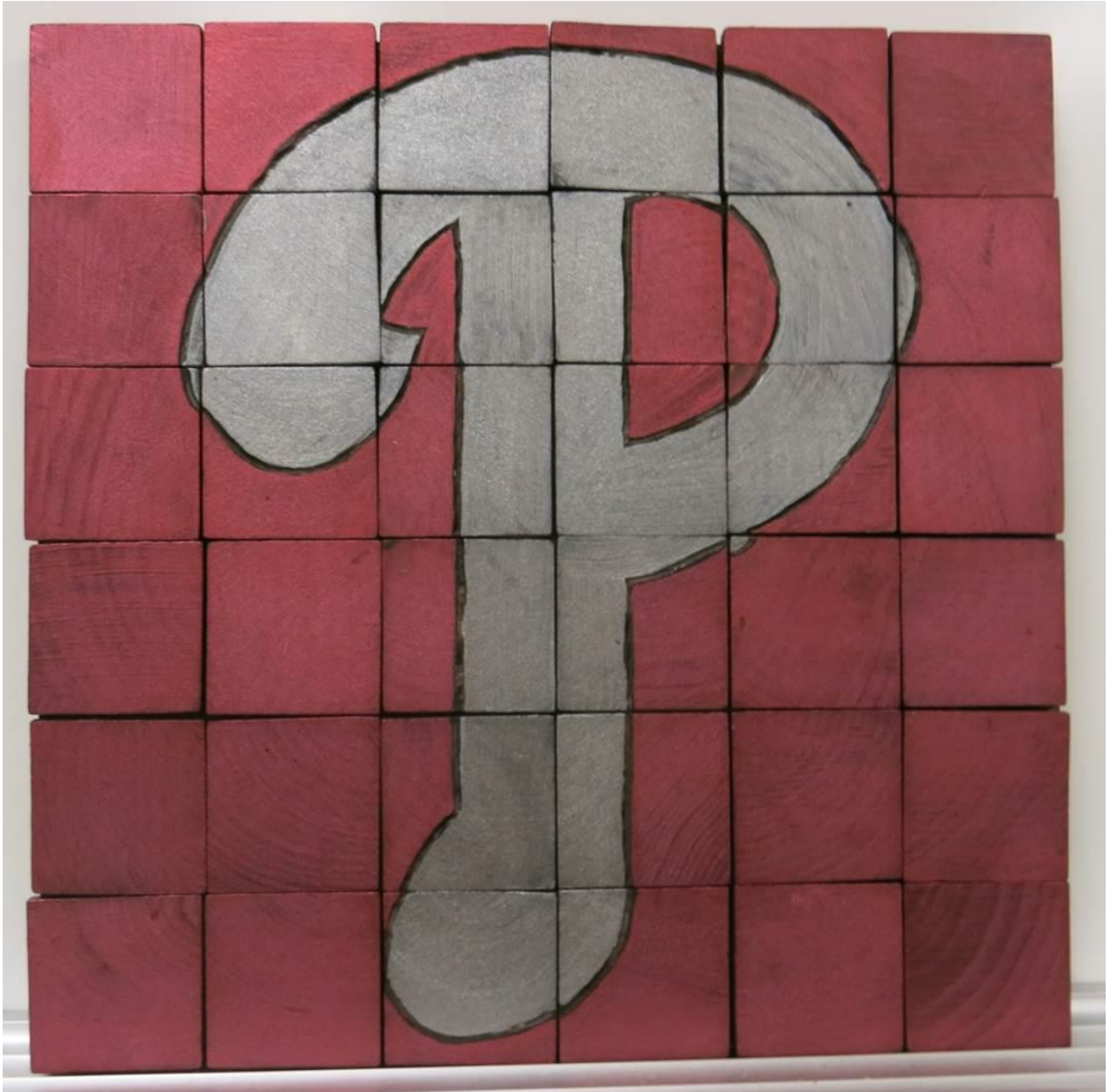
Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Media: Wood, paint, stain

A Phillies P – it's easier to make than an Eagles logo.



#6

Title: Phillies P (Silver on Red)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Media: Wood, paint, stain

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#7

Title: Suddenly Last Summer (Cherry Background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 24 inch

Depth: .375 inch

There's a scene in Suddenly Last Summer (Tennessee Williams) about baby sea turtles.



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Height: 24 inch

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#9

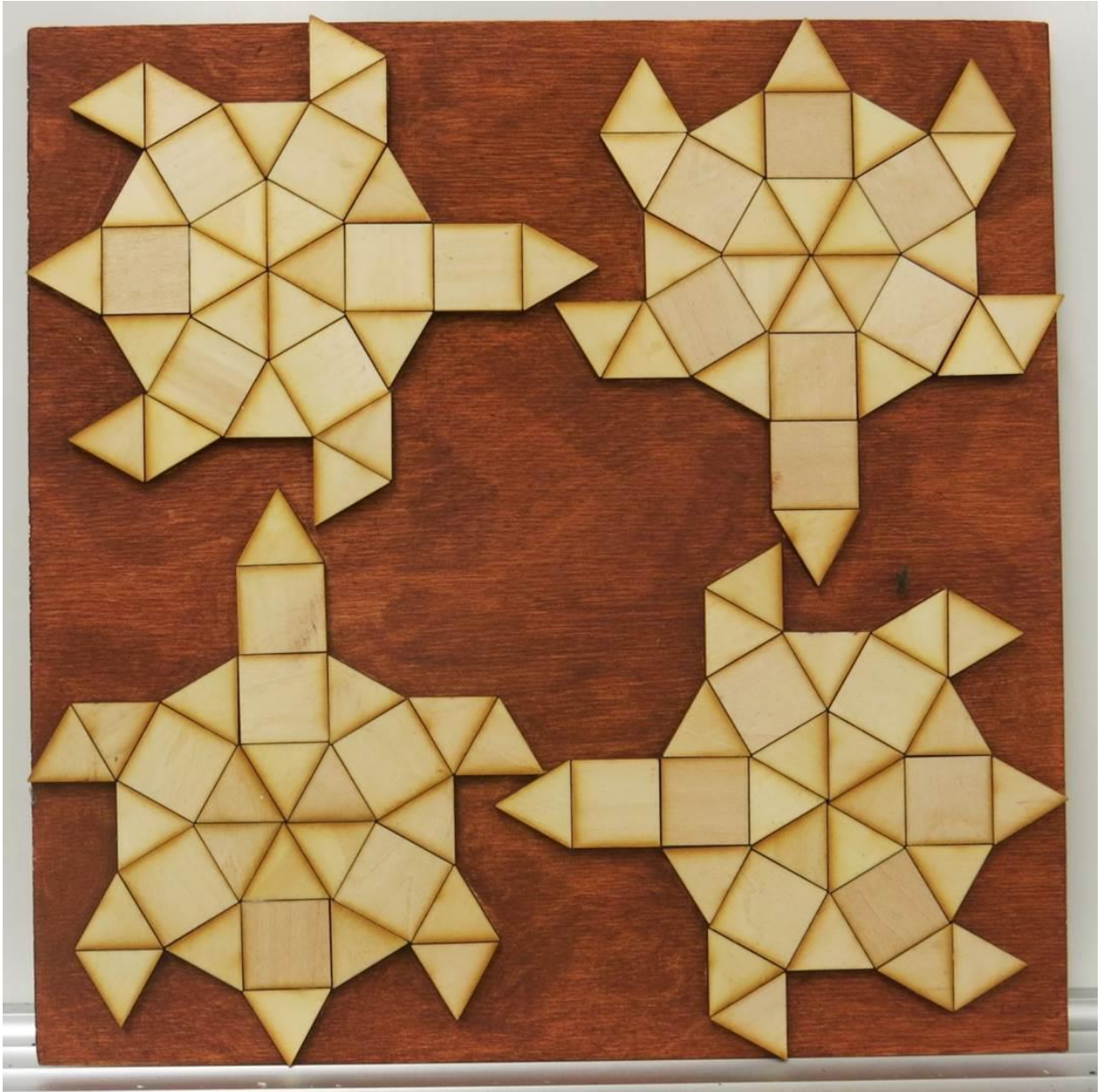
Title: Suddenly Last Summer (Rosewood Background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 24 inch

Depth: .375 inch

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#10

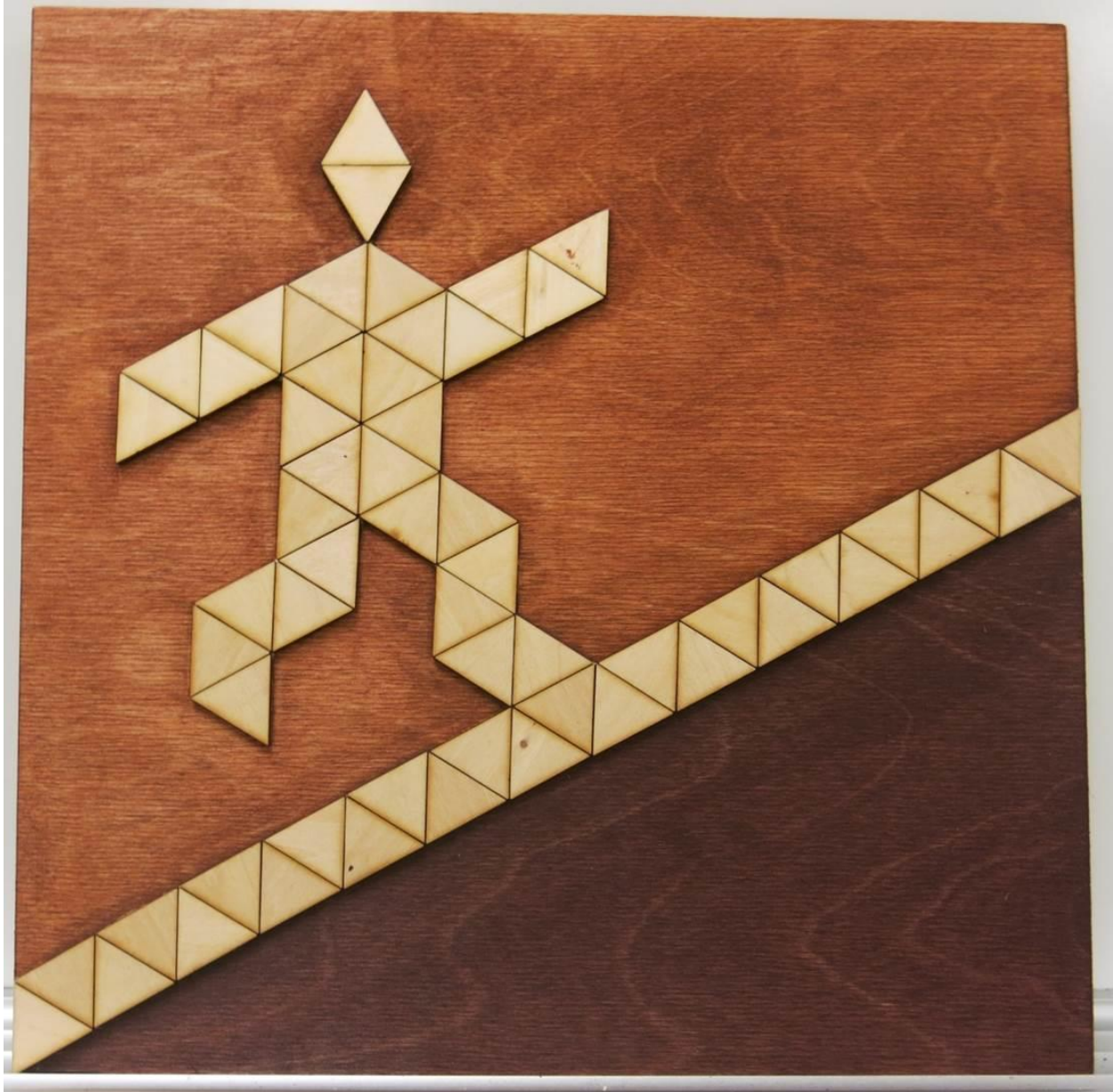
Title: Turtle Square Dance

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .375 inch

Was visiting home – playing with my shapes. My father and brother joined in (it runs in the family). Suddenly my father had this turtle shape and I used it in a few pieces. Some have said it's reminiscent of Native American art.



#11

Title: Running up that hill

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .375 inch

Another design that started when I was home visiting my parents.



#12

Title: Rhombile Tiling

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Classic design.



#13
Title: Rhombile Tiling (darker background)
Width: 12 inch
Height: 12 inch
Depth: .5 inch

Classic design.



#14

Title: Hollow Cube

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .375 inch

Variation on the classic cube design.



#15

Title: Ring of Truth (Cherry background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Classic design.

A break from pure geometry, this piece features more organic (literally) shapes.



#16

Title: Ring of Truth (Rosewood background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

Classic design.

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#17

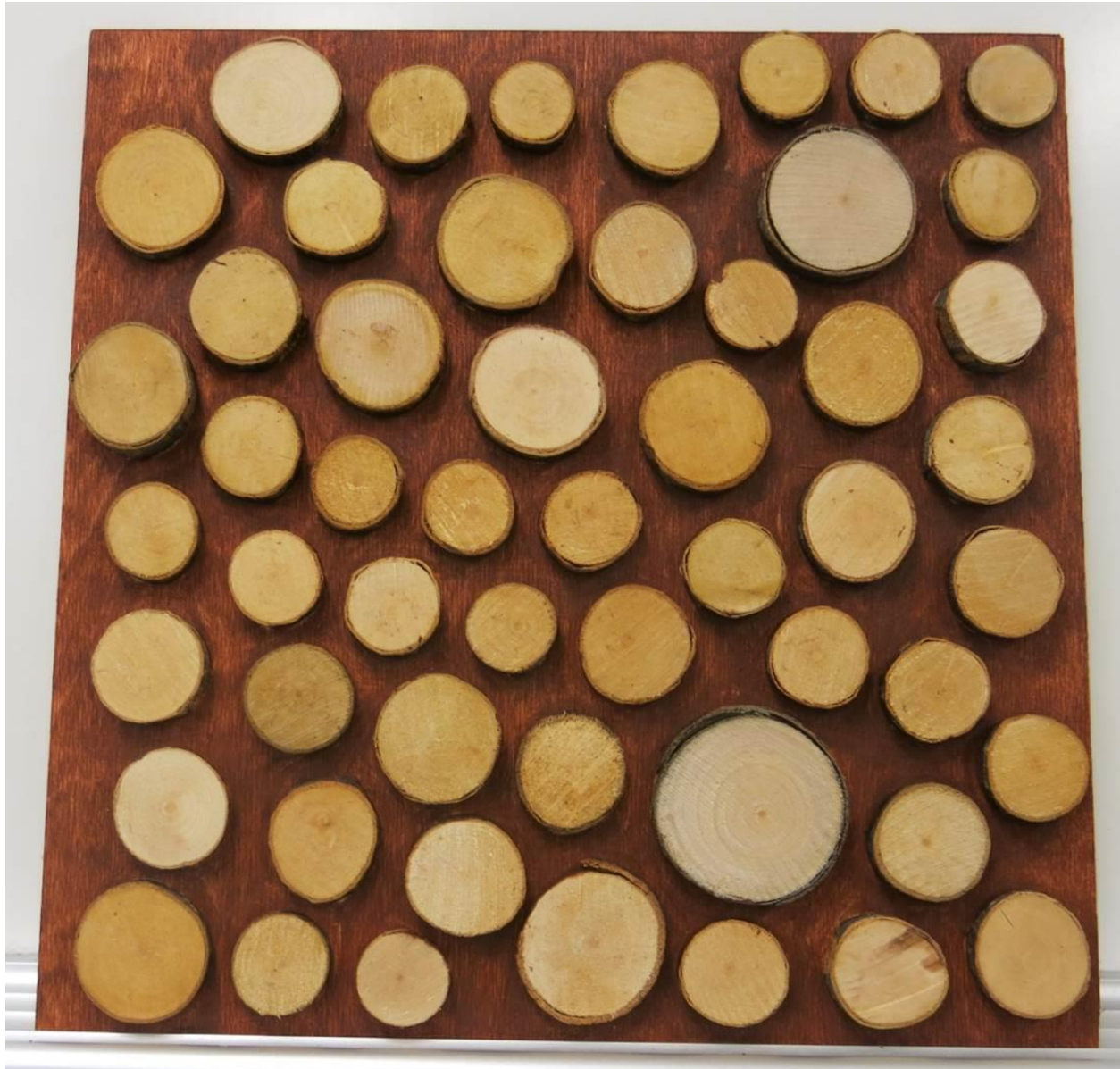
Title: Branch Bits

Width: 14 inch

Height: 7.75 inch

Depth: .75 inch

Branch disks on an old drawer side. One side has some cool dovetailing.



#18

Title: In Our Circles

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

More branch disks. The title comes from a skit from the old Carol Burnett show.



#19

Title: Egg Cross (Rosewood Background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .375 inch

Squares and equilateral triangles. A cross made from egg shapes.



#20

Title: Egg Cross (Cherry Background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .375 inch

Squares and equilateral triangles. A cross made from egg shapes.



#21

Title: Ramifications (Cherry Background)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.375 inch

I think this piece is plant-like. A branching pattern made of geometric shapes.



#22

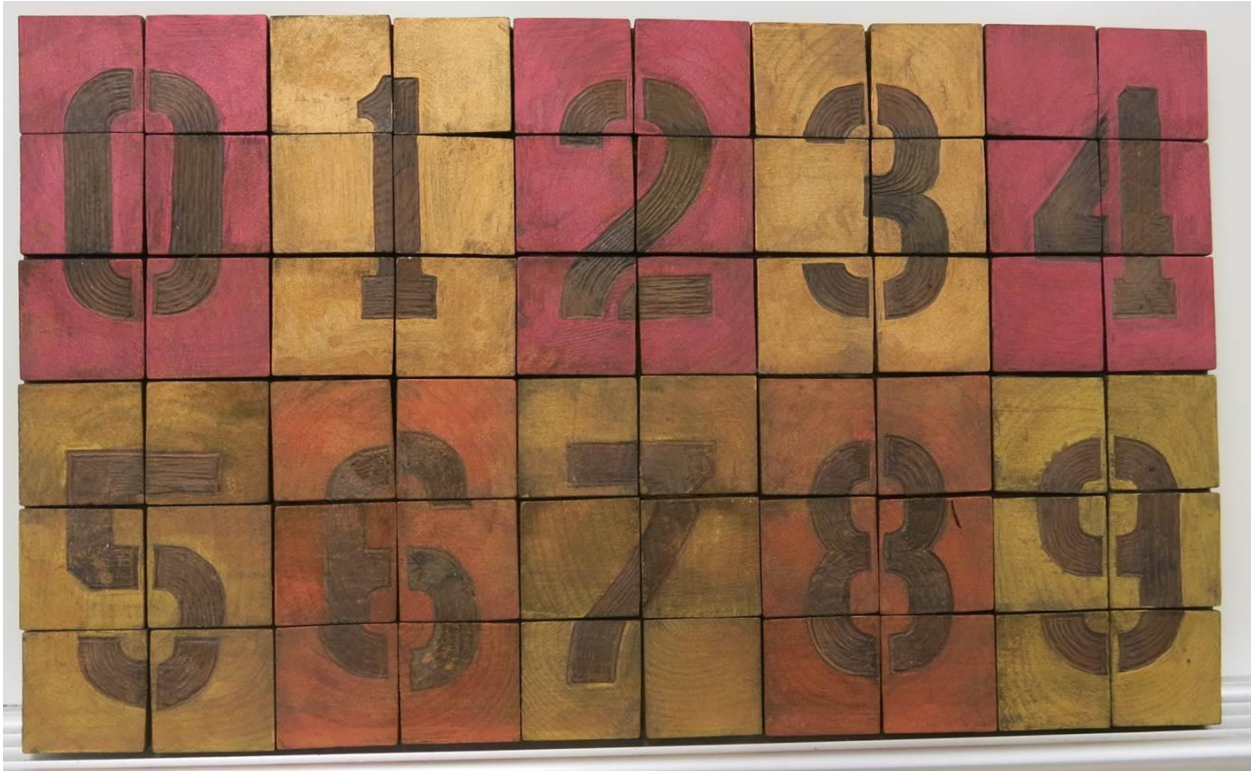
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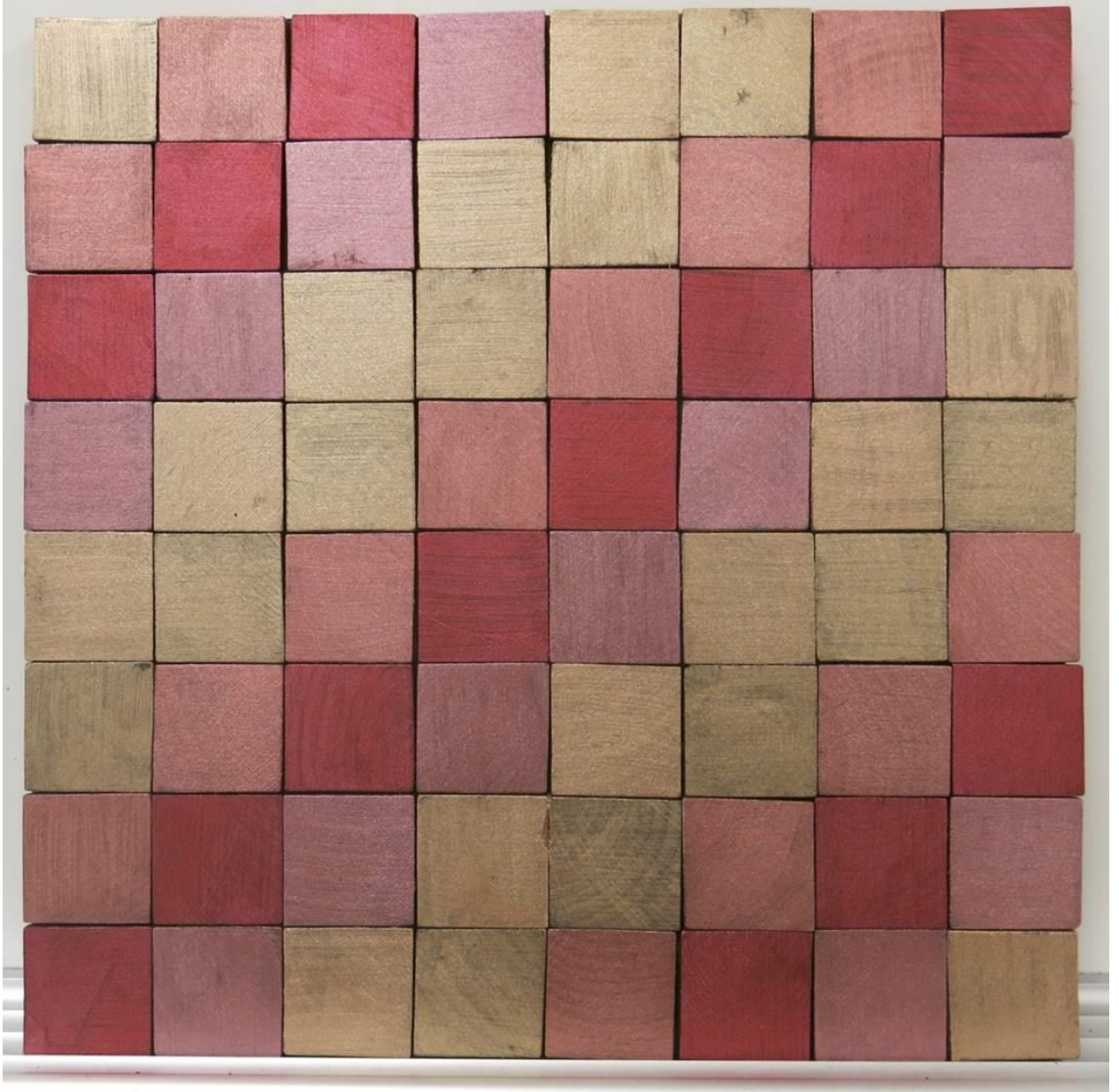
Title: Very Jasper Johns Don't You Think

Width: 20 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

Stenciled numbers. Influenced by Jasper Johns.



#24

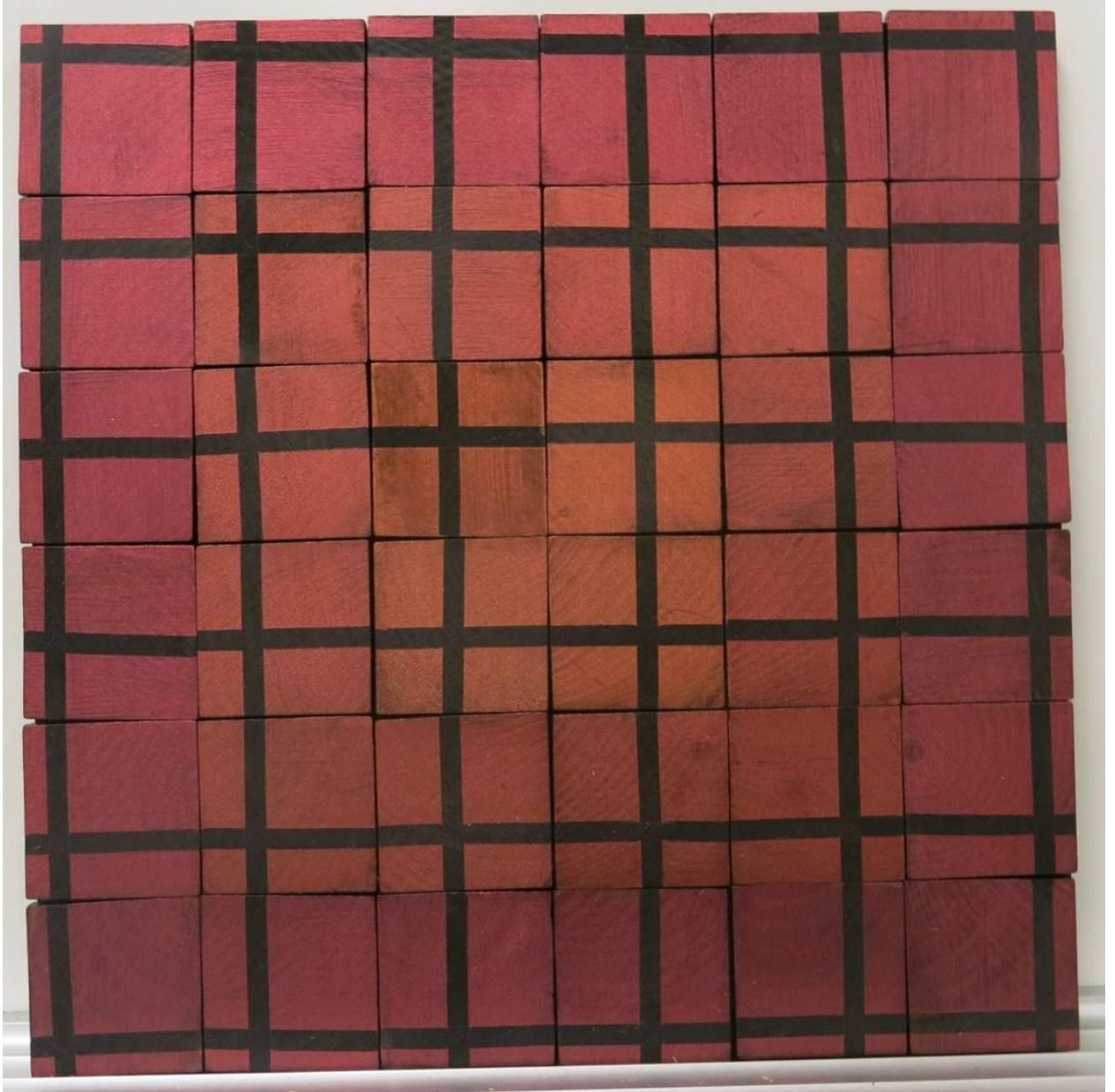
Title: Tibet Store Rug

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: .5 inch

This piece is based on a rug I saw in a Tibet store (in Manayunk).



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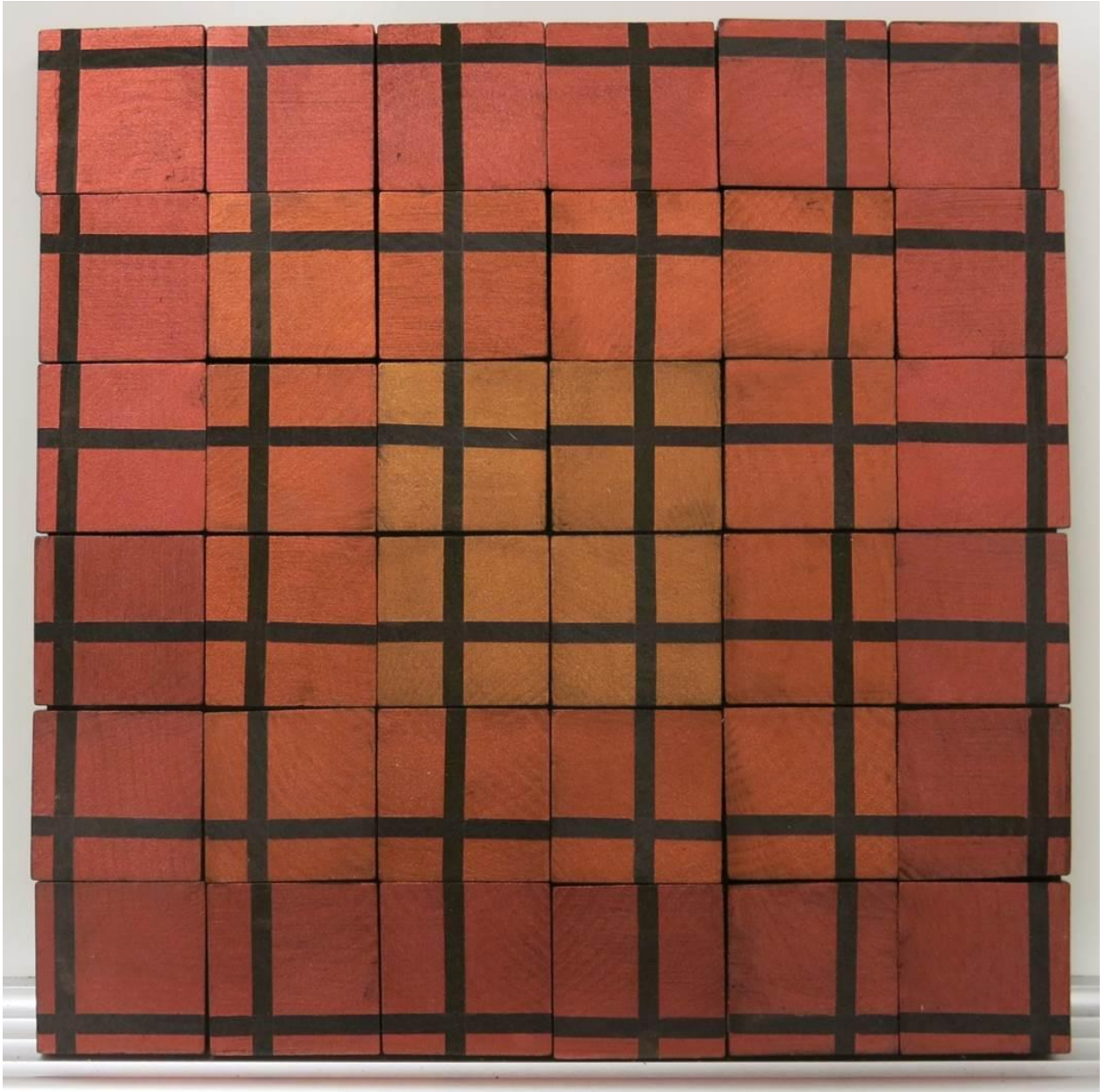
Title: Windows (Orange to Red)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

I played around with taping off part of the block before painting. It reminds me a bit of stained glass windows.



#26

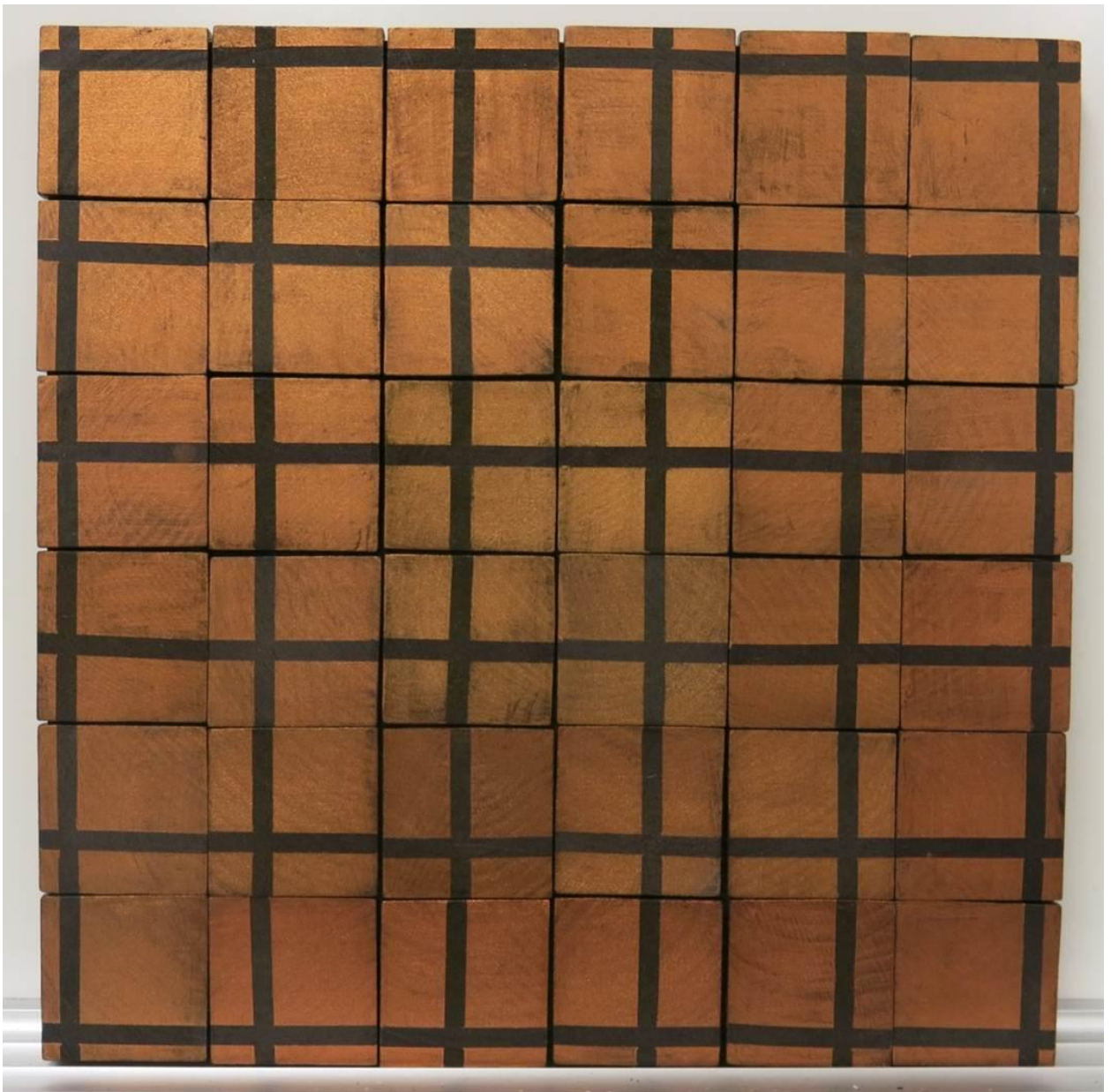
Title: Windows (Yellow to Red)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

I played around with taping off part of the block before painting. It reminds me a bit of stained glass windows.



#27

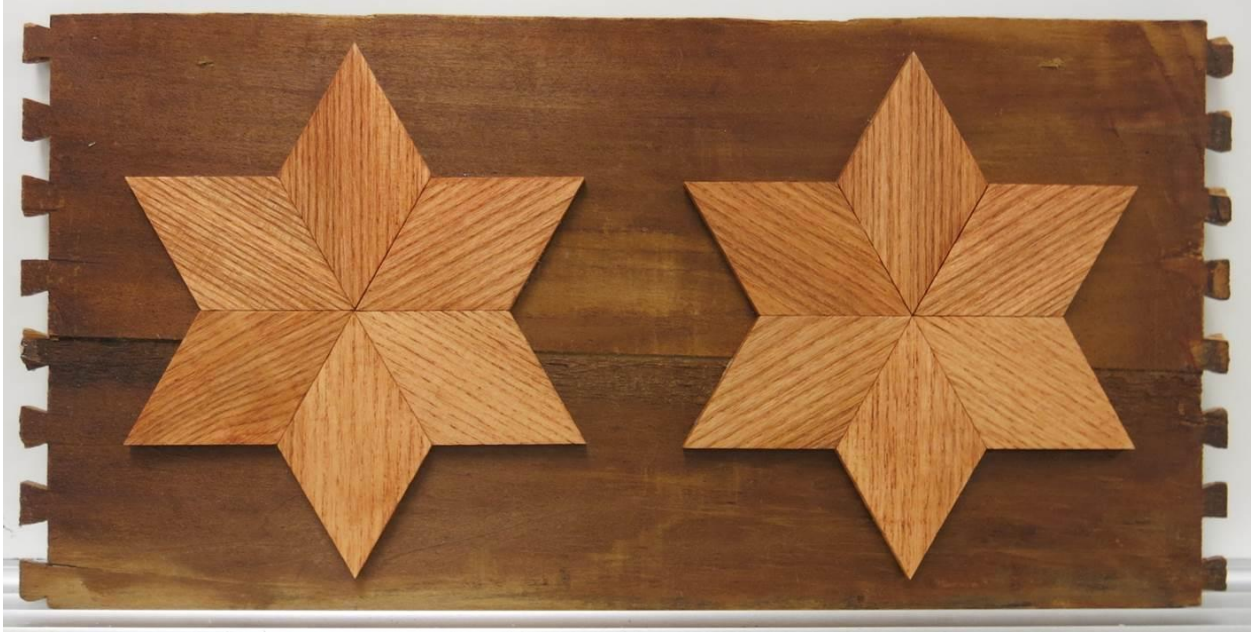
Title: Windows (Orange)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

I played around with taping off part of the block before painting. It reminds me a bit of stained glass windows.



#28

Title: Cherry Stars

Width: 16 inch

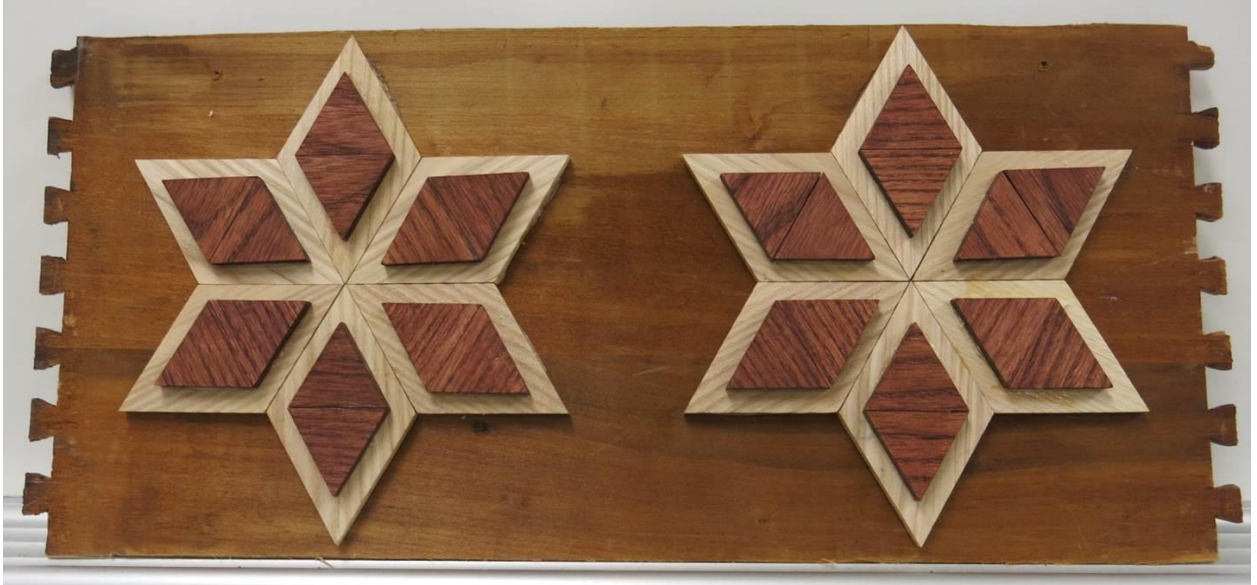
Height: 7.75 inch

Depth: .75 inch

Mom: What's he going to do with those old drawers?

Sister: That.

Mom: Oh I like that.



#29

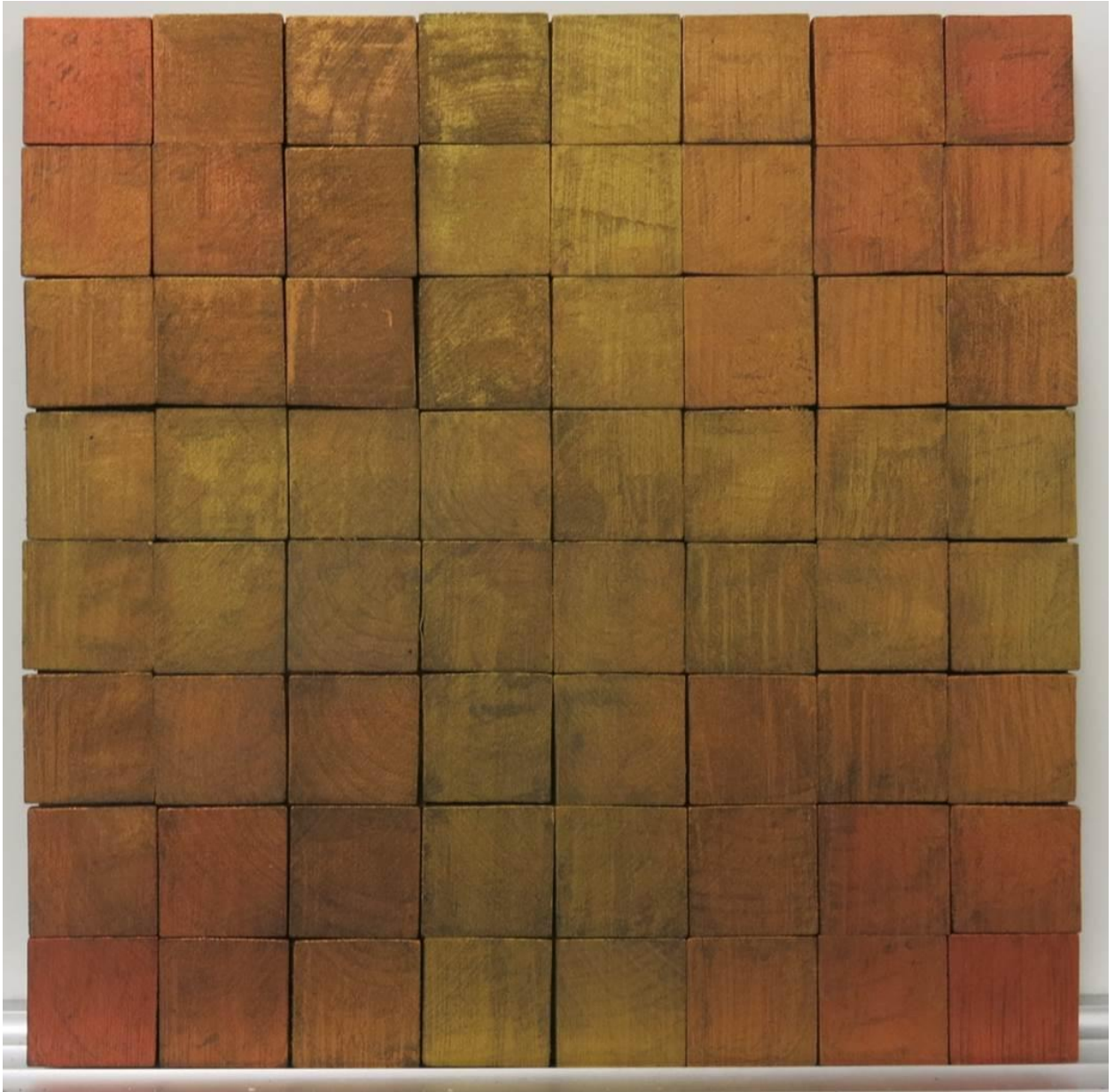
Title: Diamond Start

Width: 16 inch

Height: 7.75 inch

Depth: 1 inch

I had some more fun with old drawers, wooden tiles, and stain.



#30

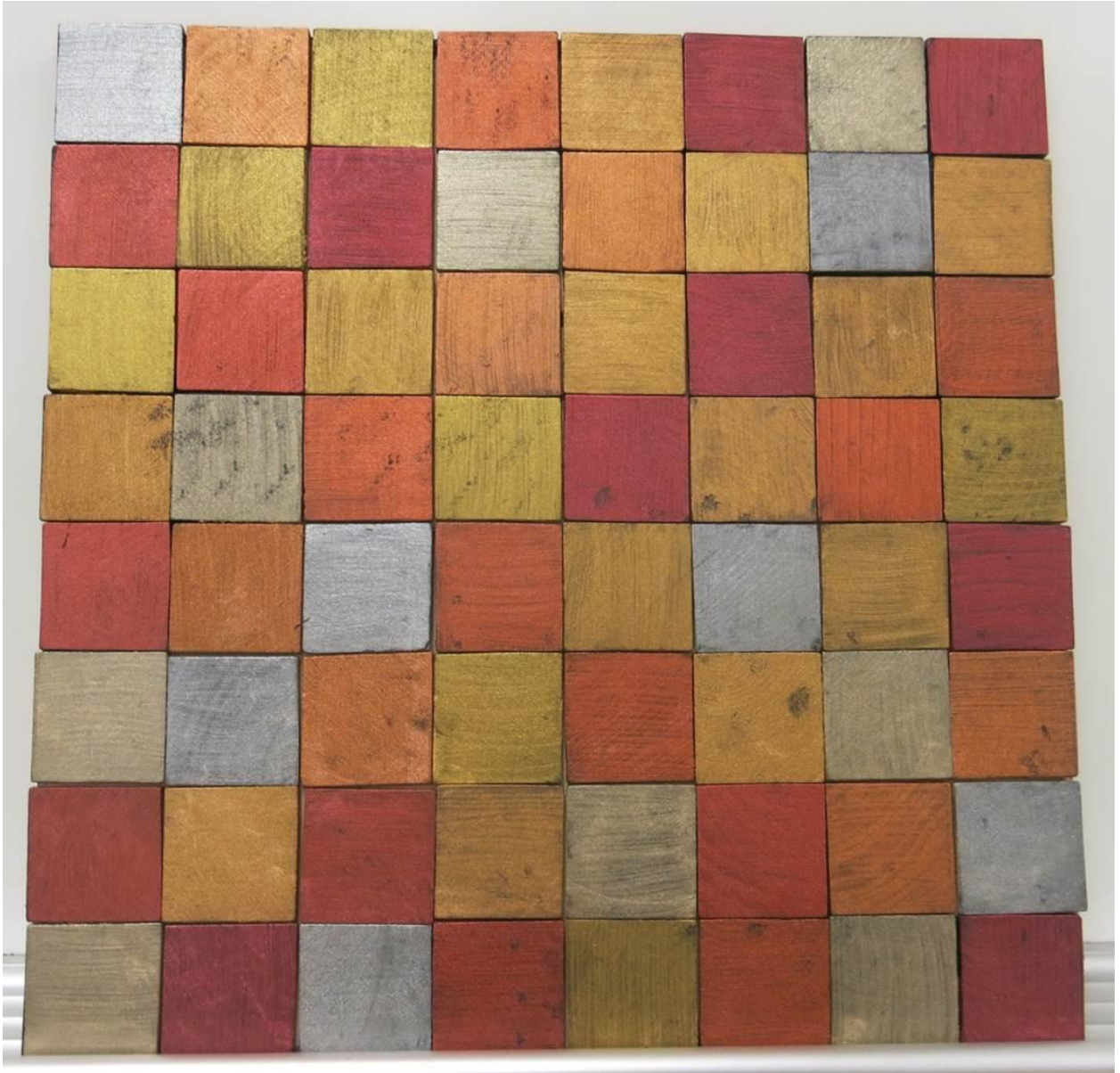
Title: Golden Cross

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

This one was messier with the stain than I expected – I can't decide if I like it or not. (I struggle with control.)



#31

Title: When I'm Sixty-four

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

An 8-by-8 grid (that's 64 tiles). Just playing around with color placement – hoping just once to make something as nice as a Paul Klee.



#32

Title: When I'm Sixty-four (again)

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

An 8-by-8 grid (that's 64 tiles). Just playing around with color placement – hoping just once to make something as nice as a Paul Klee.



#33

Title: Diamond Pattern

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

Rotating my colored squares 45 degrees to see what difference that makes.



#34

Title: Lozenges

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

When the square was tilted like this, Piet Mondrian referred to it as a "lozenge". Mondrian abandoned it, but Theo van Doesburg used it frequently.



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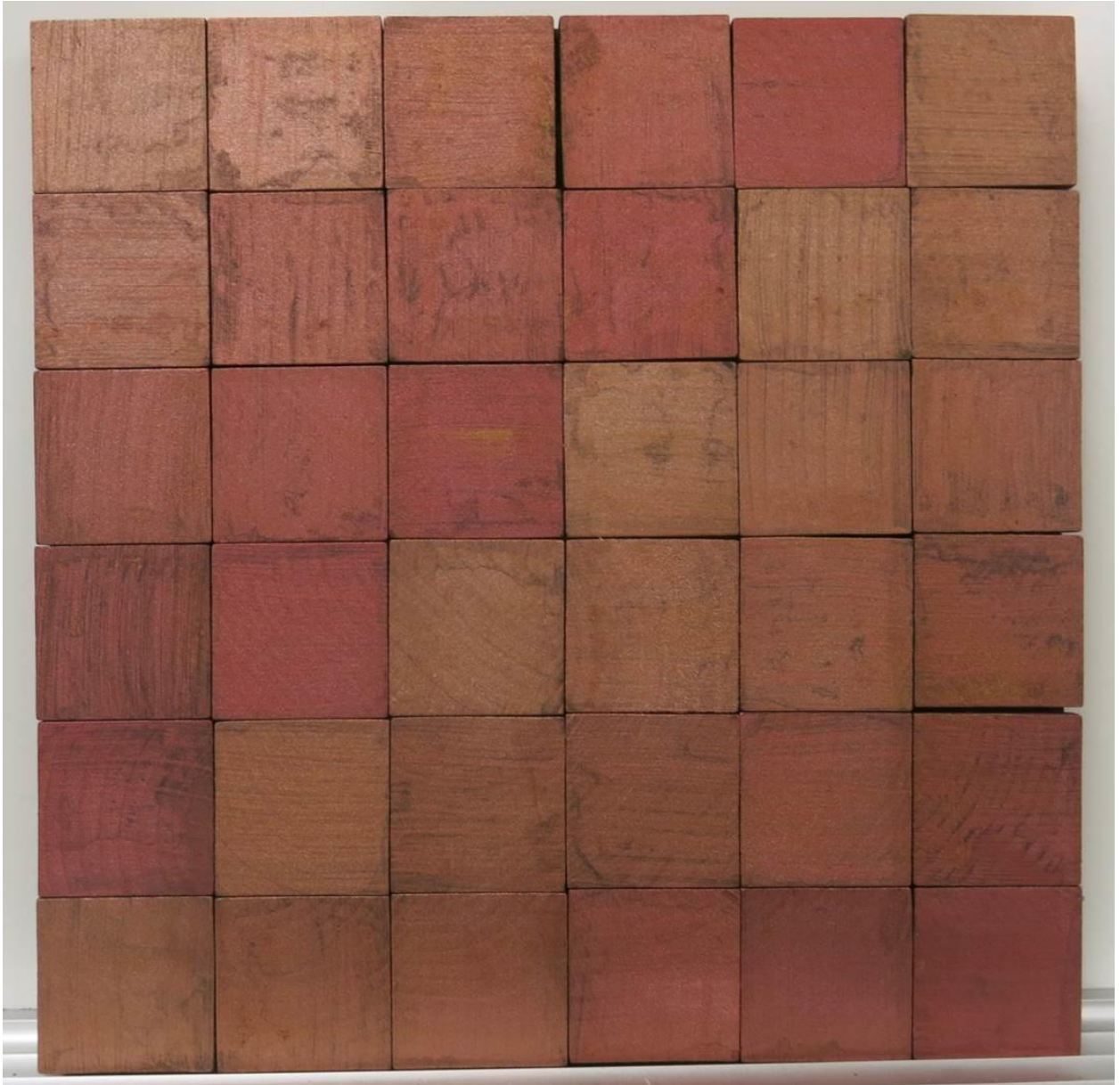
Title: Lozenges 2

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

When the square was tilted like this, Piet Mondrian referred to it as a "lozenge". Mondrian abandoned it, but Theo van Doesburg used it frequently.



#36

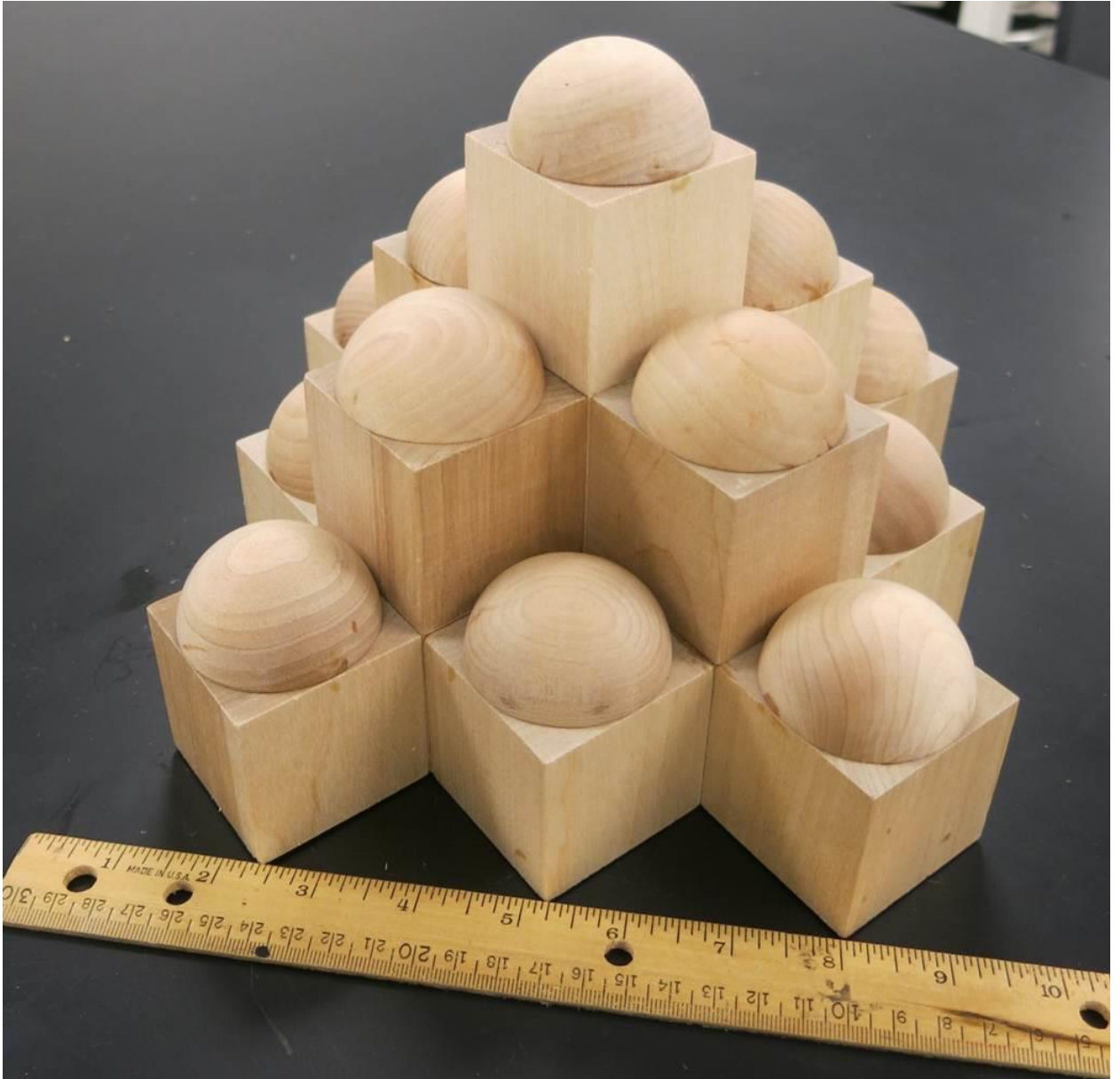
Title: Shades of Pink

Width: 12 inch

Height: 12 inch

Depth: 0.5 inch

This piece is another messier than expected stain job.



#37

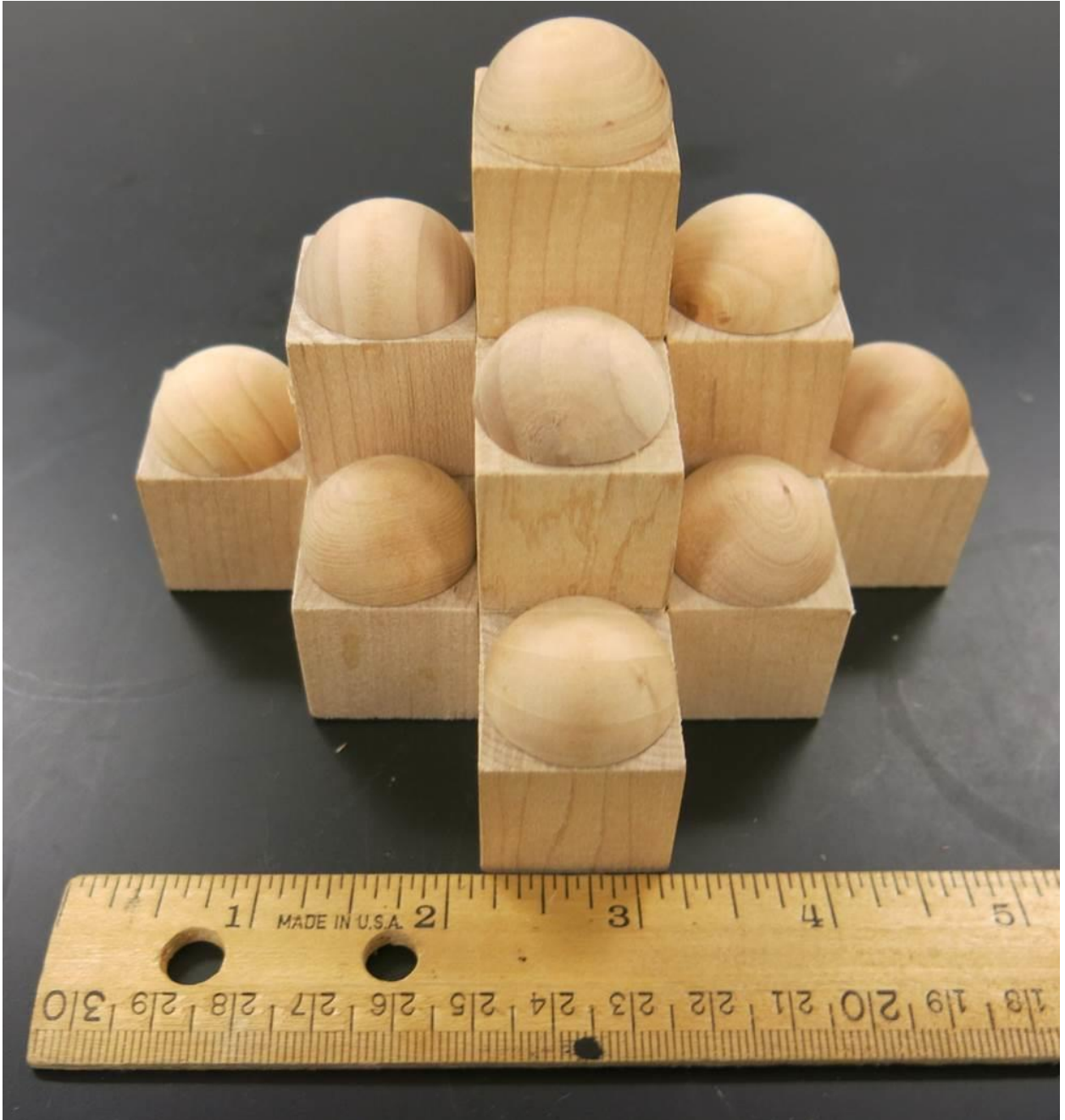
Title: Kroa-tion (large)

Width: 10 inch

Height: 7 inch

Length: 10 inch

Tis piece is based on a sculpture by Victor Vasarely.



#38

Title: Kroa-tion (small)

Width: 5 inch

Height: 3.5 inch

Length: 5 inch

This piece is based on a sculpture by Victor Vasarely.



#39

Title: Not Your Stepping Stone

Width: 10 inch

Height: 2.5 inch

Length: 10 inch

The disks are at different level – like steps. The title is from an old Monkee’s song.