

## MAGICAL SECRETS about Line Etching & Engraving

*The Step-by-Step Art of Incised Lines*

CATHERINE BROOKS CROWN POINT PRESS

WITH AN APPENDIX ON PRINTING BY KATHAN BROWN

### 1. Drypoint.

Express your energy directly.

### 2. Scraping and Burnishing.

Know you can change your mind.

### 3. Engraving.

Let your body move the tool.

### 4. Preparing for Etching.

Set yourself up for success.

### 5. Hard Ground Etching.

Let the acid do the work.

### 6. Soft Ground Etching.

Relate to the sensitivity of the ground.

Magical Secrets are sudden flashes of insight that help you make sense of something you care about. If you care about etching, engraving, and drypoint (a form of engraving), you will find revelations here. Author Catherine Brooks is a master printer at Crown Point Press, printers and publishers of etchings since 1962, and she draws on the venerable history of that institution to create an inspirational and highly usable how-to book. Crown Point Press founder, Kathan Brown, adds an appendix on hand-wiping and printing that teaches you to ink and print etchings with Crown Point's superlative quality. The practical information is artist-centered, with illustrations and discussions of line etchings and engravings enhanced by quotations from the artists who made them.

The book includes a DVD on which Catherine Brooks and Kathan Brown demonstrate the processes and artists are shown using them. On the accompanying website, you can join others in discussions and find ongoing information and ideas to increase your pleasure in the printmaking world.



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