



Table
Anna Petrus
1927

Cast iron, partly painted black, relief decoration throughout, granite top.
Two reliefs stamped 'SWEDEN' and 'A. Petrus'.

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Provenance:
Disponentvillan, Näfveqvarns Bruk, Nyköping,
then inherited.

Exhibitions:
'Swedish Contemporary Decorative Arts', Metropolitan Museum of Arts, New York, 1927, three displayed.
Stockholm Exhibition, 1930, one of three displayed.

Literature:
Gregor Paulsson (ed), Svenska Slöjdföreningens Tidskrift, Stockholm 1927, booklet 2, see pages 25-37.
Christian Björk, "Näfveqvarns Bruk - Artists and architects for industry", Orosdi-Back 2013, the tables depicted from the exhibition in New York 1927, page 107, and details and sketches pages 104-105, see also the model from the Stockholm exhibition 1930, page 163.
Carl Bergsten's archive, ArkDes, Stockholm, see Carl Bergsten's sketch with the three tables before the exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Arts in New York in 1927.

Three tables were made for the Swedish arts and crafts exhibition at The Metropolitan Museum in New York in 1927. After the successes in Paris in

1925, Sweden as the only nation was invited for the first time to participate in an art industry exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Arts in New York. The exhibition opened January 17 in the presence of H.K.H. Prince Wilhelm and Sweden's envoy to Washington, the envoy Wolman Boström. The exhibition was a success and in SSF's Tidskrift (Form) 1927 Gregor Paulsson writes that "According to information, no exhibition has had such publicity in the daily New York newspapers. The number of visitors was very large. The highest number of visitors in one day was before my return trip 6000 people, which is a record at the Metropolitan Museum. " Invitations later came to move the exhibit to other cities in the United States, including Detroit and Chicago. After the Stockholm Exhibition in 1930, where one of the tables was exhibited, the tables have not been seen in any major context. This table was disassembled and the parts were scattered.

Produced by Näfveqvarns Bruk

H.90cm/35.4" W.251cm/98.8" D.126cm/49.6"



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