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SHABBAT / HAVDALAH SET
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CAST-BRONZE USING THE LOST-WAX METHOD
2007

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The Exile of the week is over on Shabbat. On Shabbat, that which is partial finds its whole, so too with human beings. On Shabbat, we receive what we are missing.

We make Havdalah on Saturday night to mark the separation between Shabbat holy time and weekly not-yet-holy time, but the emphasis is on unity, integration, not separation.

The Shabbat / Havdalah Set design emphasizes the integrative experience of Shabbat. Instead of distinct Shabbat set (candelsticks, wine cup) and Havdalah set (wine cup, candelstick, spice holder), one set conveys the feeling of wholeness.

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