Jon Brooks was born in Manchester, New Hampshire in 1944. As a child he attended the Currier Museum Art Center and later the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. For the last several decades he has been a leading figure among American studio furniture makers. Throughout his career he has used natural materials to explore the boundaries between art and craft and he has been recognized internationally for his innovation, creativity and technical skill.

What shapes do you see in this piece?
What does this piece look like to you?

Jon Brooks, **Georgia**, 1991, wild pear and bass wood with acrylic paint and lacquer, 29 in. x 48 in. x 14 in, Gift of Jon Brooks

**Activity:** Tube Sculptures - Transform cardboard tubes into creative sculptures of animals, birdhouses, mini furniture pieces and more.

**Materials:**
- Cardboard tubes, such as from paper towel rolls
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Coloring materials such as marker or paint
- Collage papers such as construction paper, wrapping paper, or colorful junk mail

**Tips:**
- Use these sculptures as inspiration for your own design, such as your favorite animal or a treehouse.

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