

WOMAN MADE GALLERY  
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## *The Figure Inspired by... Carmen M. Perez*

Chicago artist's solo show of small, metal sculptures

**Opening Reception: Friday, November 21, 6-9 p.m.**

CHICAGO - Woman Made Gallery is pleased to announce the opening of **The Figure Inspired by... La Figura Inspirado Por...**, an exhibition of Carmen M. Perez's series of cast and fabricated metal figurative sculptures that explore themes inspired by human experiences.

### ABOUT THE ARTIST

The human form is the central visual element in Perez's sculpture. Her ideas are generated by life experiences and reactions to those experiences. Her materials of choice are copper, silver, brass, and wood.

Of her work, Perez says, "There are important issues and pressures when one is raised bi-culturally. My work addresses the tensions that arise from accommodating to the expectations that traditional Latin culture has for a woman, and my own needs and ambitions that are a result of growing up and being educated in a contemporary urban American setting." In addition to her artistic endeavors, Perez works as an arts educator and teaches ESL at Malcolm X College in Chicago.

Woman Made Gallery is free and open to the public and the exhibition will be up through December 18, 2008.

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Woman Made Gallery - 685 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642

Website: [www.womanmade.org](http://www.womanmade.org)

Gallery Hours: Wed-Fri noon-7 p.m. / Sat-Sun noon-4 p.m. / Admission: Free



*Entwine* by Carmen M. Perez  
silver, copper, brass, marble base  
6.75" x 6.5" x 3.5"

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