Rosebud



Designed, made, and sold by Stewart Coffin in 1970's and early 1980's. (Mahogany, 6 pieces, 4 inches;

one of 6 puzzles purchased during a visit with the designer in the early 1980's; handwritten on the directions Stewart Coffin says "second, nicks and scratches, poor fit"; of course, as you would expect, the puzzle looks great and has a good fit)

Described in Stewart Coffin's book *The Puzzling World of Polyhedral Dissections*; here is some of what he says in the directions that came with the puzzle:

"Examine the six individual puzzle pieces and note that there are three identical pieces which we shall arbitrarily refer to as "left-handed" pieces, and three right-handed pieces likewise identical except that one of them has a tapered hole with a pin stuck into it. To assemble the <u>pinwheel</u> solution, first remove the pin and set it aside. Sub-assemble the three left-handed pieces into one sub-assembly, and the three right-handed pieces into another, and mate the two halves. The resulting solution has an axis of symmetry. The other symmetrical solution, known as the <u>Rosebud</u> solution, requires the simultaneous manipulation of all six pieces."