

# Presentation Of Sculptures For Aastha Kunj Park



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## ***\*Why, 'Knot'?***

Knot has always been seen as a medium to bind or keep certain things together. In our society the secular thread has many cultural knots which sustains and keeps many religions, cultures and traditions united together. Hence, any kind of knot would at the very first sight imbibe the values of friendship, togetherness and oneness among the public.

Knots, by virtue itself, have this characteristic of providing a sense of security, togetherness and bringing things closer to each other.

Moreover, in many of our festivals tying knot is considered, as naturally sacred, as if that is the knot which keeps our love lively for years, be it tying a Raakhi on Rakshabandhan, or a Soothda in Navratris or be it "Tying a Knot" on your wedding.






knots



# Concept 1





Different traditions and different cultures there may be , but are knotted and tangled such a way that each depends on another which makes our nation a symbol of variety. Its obvious to be inspired easily by different types of head gears or 'pagaris' which are embedded in our culture and are so nicely knotted which aptly represents India and its "Unity in Diversity"



5.5' ft

3.3' ft

The turban sculpture could be made in two materials. Either it will be made in marble with CNC machine carving it or it could be made in Fibre Glass reinforced with polycarbonate to give it the strength needed in public display. The height of the sculpture would be little above 1 mtr. and will be approximately 5.5 ft in its diameter.





# Concept 2





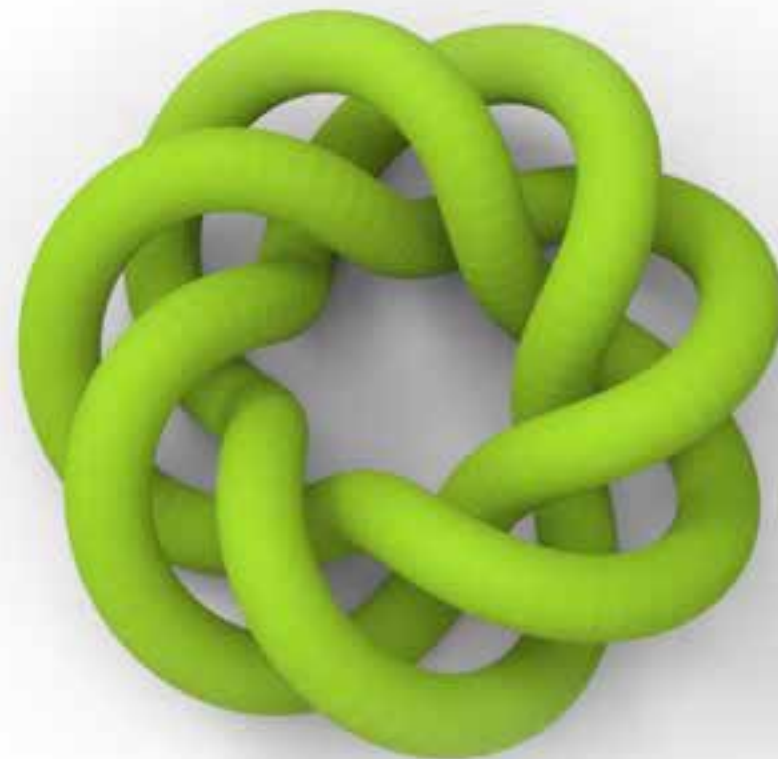
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# The Sculpture

In the due course I gave the turban a more aesthetic appeal, which seems like more of an idea, rather a literal pagari. Hence, This 7 leaf pattereded Knot or a Lotus knot as it is commonly known is very much identical to the knotted turbans of varied types which is embraced in India in almost all the states. The Pattern which it forms gives a pleasing look and also accords with near by architecture of Lotus Temple just beside the Astha Kunj Park.

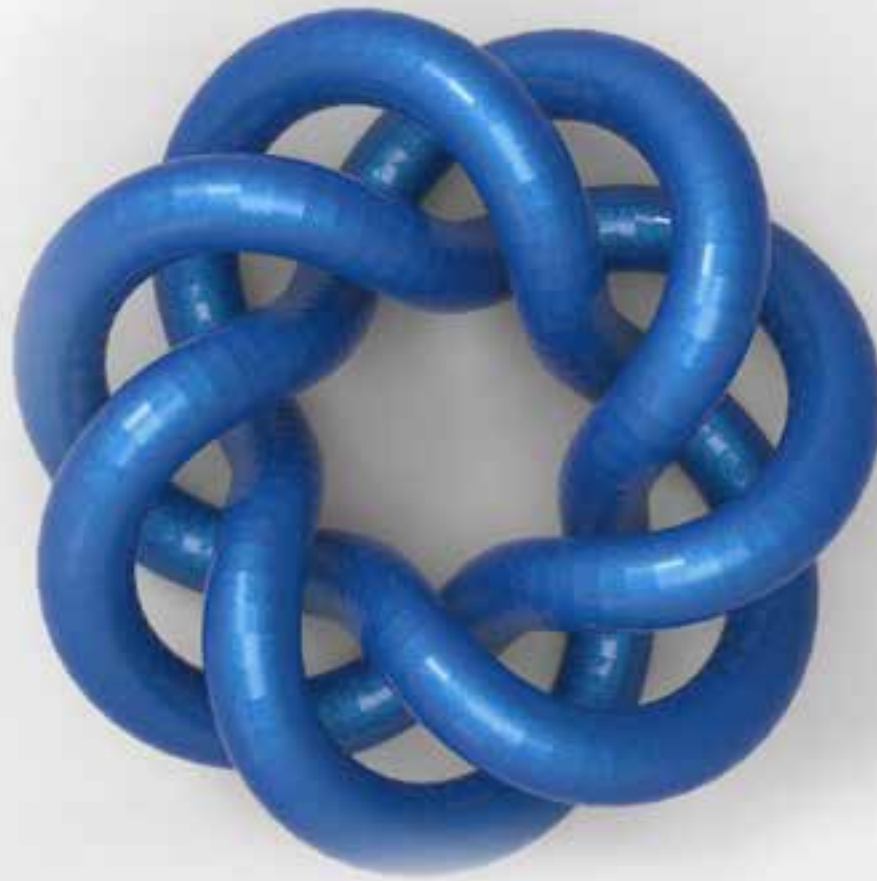






Colour &  
materials

The passage of this knot is such that there are no end point or initial point to it. Hence our eyes just keep on following the pattern. In this sculpture a 10" hose is knotted together to achieve the pattern. The sculpture will be made in fibre glass reinforced with polycarbonate and enamel painted to help it sustain in all the conditions



6' ft



3.3' ft



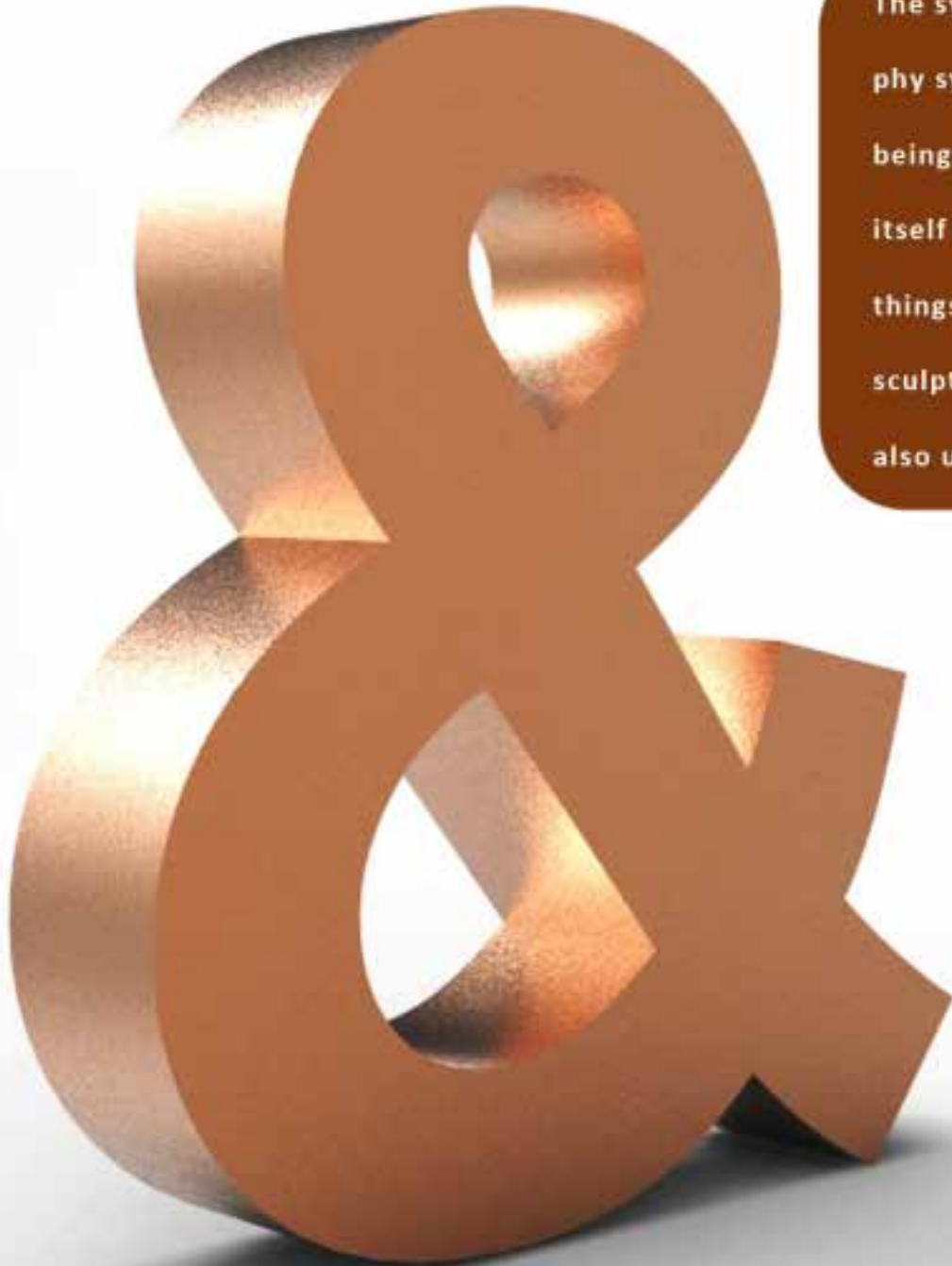








# Concept 3



The symbol '&', popularly known as Amper's And, is an iconic typography symbol used to depict unity between the two beings or non-beings. It has this capacity to bind two or more things together till it itself is between them. It serves as that obvious bond between the two things which we almost all the times take its presence for granted. This sculpture would mark the importance of '&' which would also unite people in the park atleast while clicking pictures.



# '&' The Symbol



i & you = we

i ' & ' you = we



**Inspirations**



# The Sculpture



Continuing with "Knot" as a theme, the idea struck to me immediately by observing the needle and thread as subject. Knots, Thread, Needle and the symbol '&' has been used to bind things together. The sculpture embarks today's society as we live in and how we continue to live together despite of many differences. The sculpture depicts the symbol '&' if observed from a certain distance, and looks like a normal needle with thread trying to stitch mother earth, if observed closely.

# Making it



7ft



8.5ft



The material will be steel of a decent grade, so that it will be weather proof, vandalization proof and could sustain in the most difficult conditions be it natural or man-made.

The needle will be fabricated in steel and the thread accordingly will be reinforced fibre glass having enamel coatings. The Knot will be made seperately and installed in a position so that if viewed from the front it would resemble the symbol '&'.



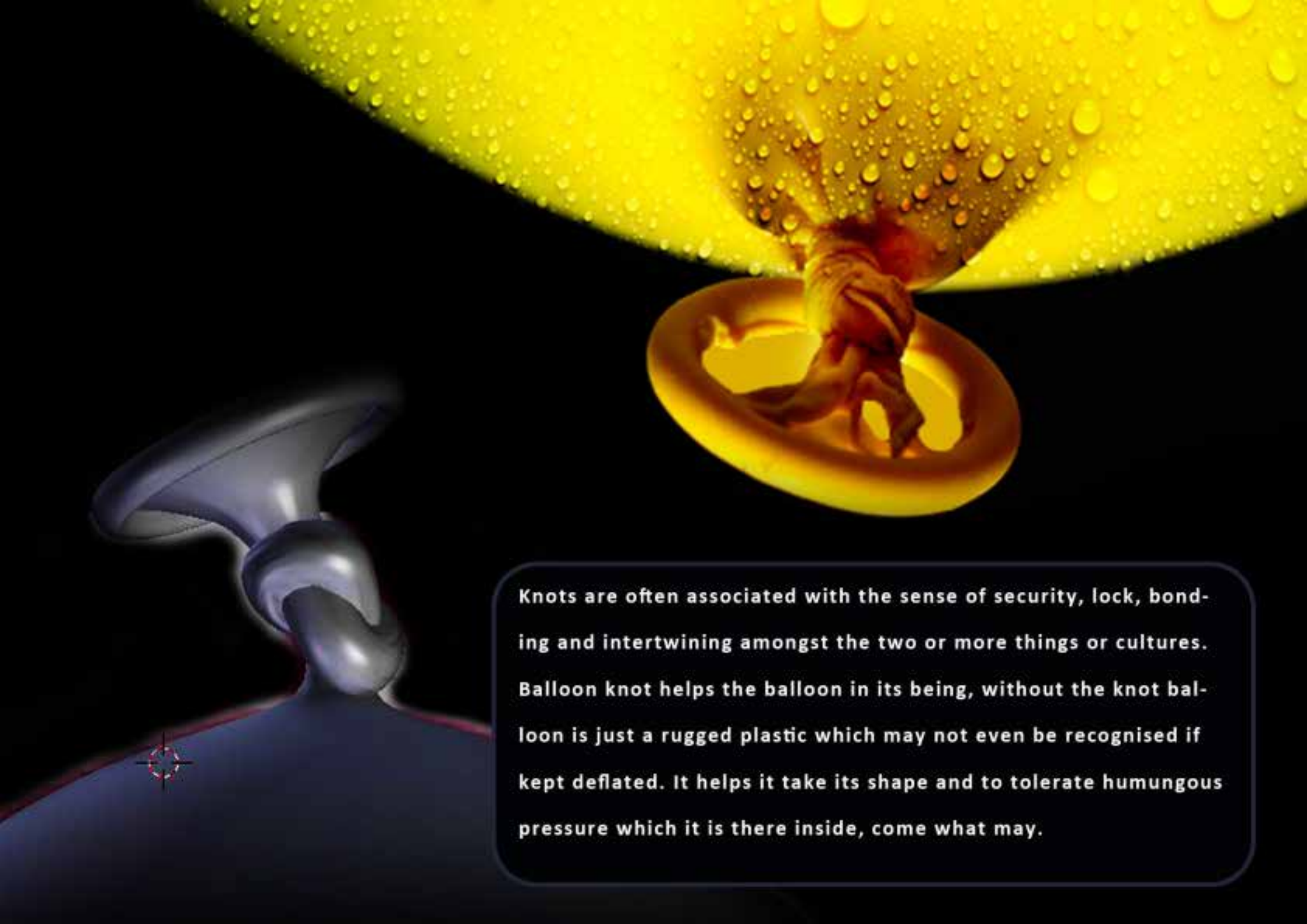








# Concept 4



Knots are often associated with the sense of security, lock, bonding and intertwining amongst the two or more things or cultures. Balloon knot helps the balloon in its being, without the knot balloon is just a rugged plastic which may not even be recognised if kept deflated. It helps it take its shape and to tolerate humungous pressure which it is there inside, come what may.



Our world and infact our country is filled with many traditions and cultures. What we need is a 'Knot' so that these different customs and cultures are intertwined with each other to achieve a greater harmony.







The balloon knot would also bring out the fact that how fragile and delicate our world is despite being united amongst each other. The "Unity in Diversity" being such a strong theme also demonstrates the fact that, the more diverse we are, more beautiful this world is, but the beauty at the same time is subtle and fragile like a balloon, and hence this knot depicts this world as fragile as balloon.



5' ft



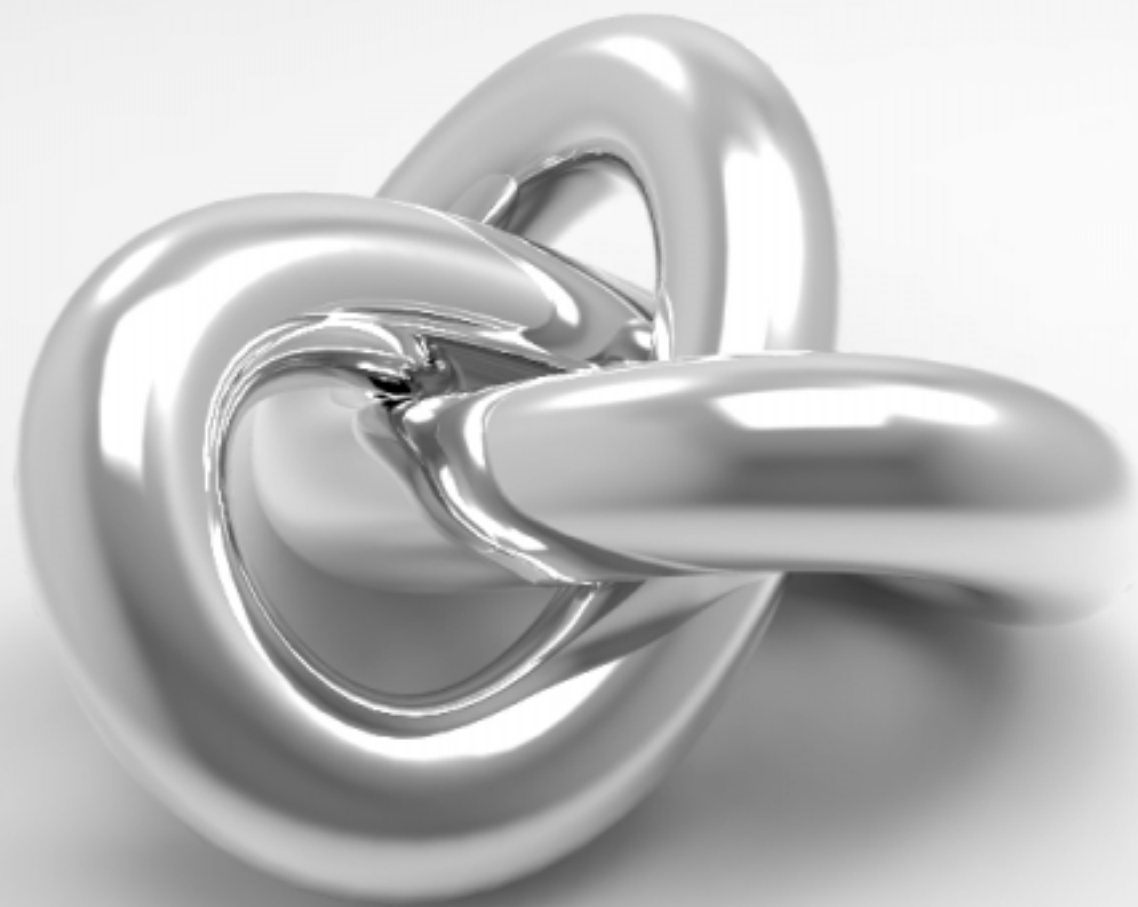
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The "Balloon Knot" will be a steel and fibre glass structure, where knot will be made of steel and the remaining part will be of reinforced fibre glass which would then be enamel painted several times for the desired results.









**Thanking You**

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