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Fountain Mask, 18th Century Stone Feline Mask

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Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Stone

Width : 45,5 cm

Height : 26,5 cm

Depth : 73,5

Description

- This carved fantasy mask is a fragment of a facade ornament. The use of this type of mask/face dates back to Antiquity. They had a protective role, that of keeping away demons. In the 18th century, the taste for fantasy and exoticism made the mask one of the essential ornaments of architecture and facade modeling. A large number of masks on the same building reflecting the financial wealth of the owner, it was customary to display his good taste and wealth in this way- This strikingly realistic representation illustrates a massive feline head, with eyes wide-eyed, with wide nostrils, furrowed eyebrows, erect ears with mouths exaggeratedly open to allow water to escape.- Fragment that can be reused at the mouth of a fountain.

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