



Elu Ogoni Articulated Mask



365 EUR

Signature : ogoni

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Solid wood

Width : 15 cm

Height : 18cm

Depth : 11cm

Description

The Ogoni are known for their small, delicately carved masks with hinged jaws called Elu. Elu masks are used in different ceremonies throughout the year and generally depict peaceful and benevolent figures of both sexes. Most Elu masks are cut off at the mouth and a hinge system allows the wearer to open and close the mouth, exposing metal or rattan teeth. This mechanism gives the impression that the character embodied by the mask is "speaking". Mask uncommon on the art market. This one comes from a beautiful private collection. It is missing a few dewlaps...

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