



Animated Idiophone Of An Ibis - Ancient Kingdom Of Benin, Nigeria - 19th Century



3 480 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Description

An IDIOPHONE featuring an IBIS, a mythological bird resting on a hollowed-out, perforated cylindrical column, is used for the annual Ugie Oro ceremony. The sound was obtained by striking a stick on the beak of the avian figure.

Old Kingdom of Benin, Nigeria 19th century

Copper alloy

H. 29.2; L 14.3 cm

Bibliography:

A similar example is reproduced in the exhibition catalogue Bénin Trésor royal collection du Museum für Volkerkunde. Vienna, Musée Dapper, p.83.

Another is reproduced in The Art of Benin, Plate V, figs 204 and 205.

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