

Pair Of Votive Statues "nat", Burma (myanmar)



850 EUR

Period : 20th century Condition : Bon état

Material: Painted wood

Height: 50 cm

Description

An important pair of anthropomorphic figures carved from a single block of wood, standing on circular bases hewn from sections of tree trunk. The deliberately naive modeling, stylized proportions, and red lacquered polychromy--altered by black wear and an old patina--are characteristic of Burmese folk sculpture. The figures, depicted nude, stand facing forward, each raising a hand in a gesture of invocation or ritual greeting (raised hand, palm facing outward), typical of representations of Nats, protective spirits of the Burmese animist pantheon. These sculptures were traditionally placed in household altars or spirit houses to ensure protection and prosperity. Height: approx. 50 cm. Mid-20th century (ca. 1940-1970).

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