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Kagura Mask, Demon Type, In Carved Monoxide Wood - Edo Period (1603 - 1868).



680 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Painted wood

Width : 13 cm.

Height : 18 cm.

Depth : 6 cm.

Description

JAPAN - Edo period (1603 - 1868).Kagura mask, hook-nosed demon type, carved monoxide wood, eyes and nostrils pierced, red and black lacquer on face, wood left rough on reverse, black horsehair hair, painted eyebrows.Light wear and chips.Dimensions : 18 x 13 x 6 cm.Sold with its base.Dimensions with base : 27.5 x 13 x 10 cm.Notes : A kagura mask depicting an unidentified local demon. Kagura (literally, "Divine Entertainment") refers to a specific type of Shinto theatrical dance whose roots predate those of no theater.Originally a strictly ceremonial art, derived from kami'gakari (literally, "oracular divination"), kagura has evolved in many directions over more than a millennium.Today, it's a very much alive tradition, whose rituals are linked to the rhythms

Dealer

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of the agricultural calendar. Kagura masks are then worn by dancers to represent gods, spirits, demons or animals, and are characterized by their unique style and strong expressive power.