India - Large 19th Century Hindu Mask



450 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Painted wood

Width : 28 cm

Height : 60 cm

Description

Large polychrome wooden maskSouth India19th centuryGood condition - nose glued back - sold with its mask-holder (nice set, height 75 cm)"Kumattikal mask from South India, made of jackfruit wood. It probably represents King Mahabali. Kumattikal is a colorful masked dance from Kerala in southern India. During Onam, the Hindu festival held in August/September, Kumattikal dancers collect small gifts while entertaining the villagers. This celebrates the victory of Vamana, avatar of Vishnu, over the legendary king Mahabali. This king is associated with the Hindu god Shiva. On his forehead is theTripundra, three lines of white ash symbolizing Shiva dancing on the cremation on the field of cremation."Source: "maskoftheworld.com" and India expert

Dealer

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