

Basic Detail Report



Iziqhaza (Pair of Ear Ornaments)

Date

mid-20th century

Primary Maker

Zulu artist

Medium

Wood, plastic (vinyl asbestos?), and metal pins

Description

From Scott Rodolitz's 2024 appraisal: Of typical form, made of soft wood with red, white, blue, black, and green Bakelite applied to the surfaces in circular and linear patterns. Pinned with native "nails", the pattern of linear geometric form with multicolored bars decorated with triangular flourishes. Fine indications of age and use.

Dimensions

height: 9/16 in. (1.4 cm) diameter: 2 7/16 in. (6.2 cm)

Classifications

Jewelry

Credit Line

Gift of Rhonda Morgan Wilkerson, PhD

Object number

2024.22.14a-b

Provenance

Created in South Africa, mid-20th century. [Mlaba African Curios, Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa], Rhonda Morgan Wilkerson, Morrisville, NC, 2002; given to NCMA, 2024.

Exhibition History

Raleigh, NC, North Carolina Museum of Art, "The People's Collection, Reimagined," October 7, 2022–present.