Object: Soapstone figurine

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Description

A male figurine from soapstone that is painted red and black. On the back, the figure is flattened and has an inwrought slot. It wears a headpiece and a leaf-like skirt, both was originally painted red. In his hands, the person holds a bird (probably a parrot/cockatoo, cf. inventory). The skin of the figure is black. At the mouth can be seen remains of red colour.

Gift from the estate (?) of Professor Friedrich Christian Müller (1834 - 1922), town archivist of Ulm.

The object is probably a figure from European production and thus a "object that reflects colonialism" that shows a stereotypical and colonially influenced depiction of an extra-European, indigenous person.

Basic data

Material/Technique: Soapstone; carved, painted Measurements: H 6,5 cm, W 2 cm, D 1,5 cm

Events

Created When Before 1927

Who

Where Europe

Owned When

Who Christian Friedrich Müller (Archivar) (1834-1922)

Where

Keywords

- Figurine
- Koloniale Kontexte
- Rezeption
- Sculpture