

Tsuba with the figure of Shōki, the Demonqueller

Japanese Collection

Accession Nr.: 1025 

Type: weapons and armament; metalwork; martial accessory

Date of production: Late 18th century
Edo (Tokugawa) period

Place of production: Japan

Signed: Yasuchika (安親).

Materials/Technique: sentoku bronze, engraved
S: engraved sentoku bronze and gold

Dimensions: height: 7.3 cm
width: 6.7 cm

Acquisition: collected by Péter Vay

From the artistic point of view, the most important were the sword fittings (kodōgu). The grip and the blade were separated by metal guards of 8–10 cm width (tsuba), signed pieces of which dated back to the 16th century.

