

Dancer

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.: 7136 

Type: wooden sculpture

Date of production: first half of the 20th century

Place of production: Bali, Indonesia, Southeast Asia

Materials/Technique: wood, carved

Dimensions: height: 60 cm

Balinese dancer on pedestal (carved in one piece). Light-coloured, unstained wood carving of a partially nude female figure in traditional costume (headdress, earrings), holding the ends of a scarf hanging from her neck, which is an accessory to the ongoing dance performance.

The emphasis on the breast makes it clear that the object is intended as a souvenir. Pieces with a similar design were very popular with European men visiting the island in the first half of the 20th century.

