

# Buddha with radiate halo and mandorla

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.: 4220 

Type: bone objects; religious or cult object

Date of production: 18 - 19th century

Place of production: Southeast Asia / Nepál

Materials/Technique: ivory, carved, gilt

Dimensions: height: 15.3 cm  
width: 7.7 cm  
depth: 3.7 cm

Acquisition: donation of Imre Schwaiger

A small, gilded, bone statue of Buddha holding his right hand outstretched and his left hand in vitarka mudra (attitude of elucidation). Standing on pedestal before double-halo (halo and mandorla) with pointed end, wearing monastic robes. The white body forms a subtle contrast with the glitter of the gilded parts. The object follows the dress design of the so-called Gandhara-type Buddhas. It was probably purchased in the Nepalese market and used by lay practitioners of Theravada Buddhism, a religion that spread throughout Southeast Asia.

