


A pair of earring

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.:	6099.1-2 
Type:	bronze, lead, gold and silver; jewellery; metalwork; accessory
Date of production:	19th century
Place of production:	The Philippines, Southeast Asia
Materials/Techniques:	gold, filigree, real pearl
Dimensions:	height: 5.2 cm width: 2.4 cm
Acquisition:	collection of Ferenc Hopp

Pair of egg-shaped earrings made of gold and decorated with real pearls. The central field has six larger ones and we can see three smaller elongated dangles attached to the base of the jewel.

Ferenc Hopp visited Manila on his last round-the-world trip in 1913-1914. It is assumed that he collected the elongated silver and gold-plated pendants from the Philippines, one of which is shown in the attached photograph. Each pair is richly inlaid with real pearls and is characterised by sun, flower, diamond, bow and other motifs, meticulous workmanship and a refined taste.

