


Wayang klitik puppet

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.:	7147 
Type:	puppetry and shadow play; carving
Date of production:	early 19th century
Place of production:	Java, Indonesia, Southeast Asia
Materials/Techniques:	wood, bamboo, hide; carved, painted
Dimensions:	height: 40 cm

Flat wood carving of a female figure with leather arms and long black hair falling back.

The small, plastically formed East Javanese klitik can be seen as a transition between the three-dimensional wayang golek wooden dolls and the flat shadow puppets (Indonesian: wayang kulit). Here too, the characters follow the visual tradition of wayang representations.

