


Female figure with attendant

India / South Asia Collection

Accession Nr.:	2109 
Type:	sculpture; architectural fragment
Date of production:	17th-18th c. Period of Rajput kingdoms
Place of production:	India
Materials:	teak
Techniques:	carved; hand-painted
Dimensions:	height: 78 cm width: 25 cm depth: 21 cm
Acquisition:	donation of Imre Schwaiger

Gujarat in India has been famed for wood carvings for centuries. Four wooden statues in possession of the Indian Collection attest to this, which were made in the 17th-18th centuries. The painted teak carving features a standing female figure. In the middle of her forehead, the characteristic vertical paint (tilaka) of the Vaisnavites (Visnu-worshippers) is visible. At the right leg of the woman a smaller male figure stands. Probably another one was carved also on the other side but it is missing by now.

The carving decorated a temple wall.

