



Female Figure

Date

200 BCE - 250 CE

Primary Maker

West Mexican Shaft Tomb

Medium

Ceramic and paint

Description

Standing female figure with abbreviated arms and finely sculpted body of rare mastery of proportions. The body is executed at a sculptural level far above the typical solid figure. The head is rendered in a similar careful modeling of head proportions and features consistent with the body. The features are not "coffee bean" appliques with slits, but are sculpted. The, head, headress, and arm styles indicate a Western Mexican pre-classic origin from a period prior to the divergence of Colima and other Western Mexican regional styles. The pierced ears may

indicate use as a pendant. The waist area break is restored. Buff terra cotta, pigment traces.

Dimensions

11 7/8 × 6 1/4 × 1 1/2 in. (30.2 × 15.9 × 3.8 cm)