



Banner Depicting Ho Hsien-ku

Date

1870-1911

Medium

Silk, metallic threads, peacock feathers and wool

Description

This hand embroidered temple banner was part of a set of eight that would have hung in a Taoist temple as an aide to worshipers. Pictured is He Xiangu, one of the Eight Immortals and the only female immortal. She is surrounded on both sides with a series of smaller female figures.

Dimensions

137 1/2 × 66 1/2 × 6 1/2 in. (349.3 × 168.9 × 16.5 cm)