



Spirit Figure (Yipwon)

Date

late 19th to early 20th Century

Primary Maker

Yimam

Medium

Wood

Description

This hook figure, also referred to as a yipwon, was collected from the Karawori River area in the Middle Sepik River region of Papua New Guinea. The object dates from the late 19th century to the early 20th century. A yipwon features a style known as the opposed-hooks style, in which curved and pointed hooks are arranged on a vertical axis around a central design element.

Dimensions

43 1/2 × 10 1/4 × 2 3/4 in. (110.5 × 26 × 7 cm)