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Yaka

147X

Biteki, magic figure.

H. cm. 28

*French Colonial collection
until the 1970's.*

*Denise and Beppe Berna,
Bologna, late 1970's.*

Italian private collection.





Kota

166X

Mbulu ngulu, rare figure for a reliquary.

Late 19th/early 20th cent.

H. cm. 54

*Collected before the
Second World War.*







Central Igbo

144X

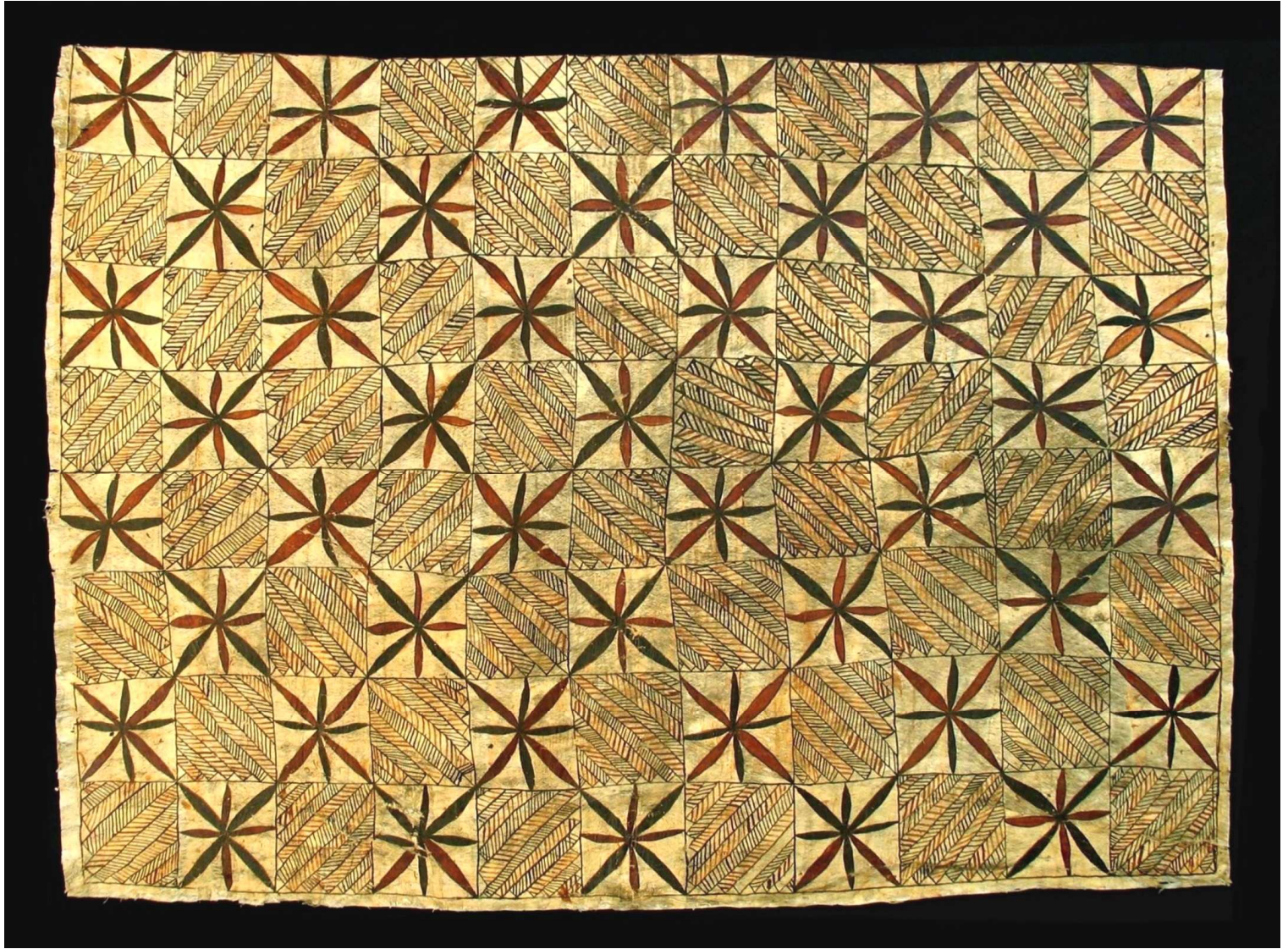
Agbogho mmwo, small mask of "woman" from Nri-Awka Region.

H. cm. 21,3

*Collected by Edward Klejman in the late 1960's.
Klejman collection, Paris, until 2017.*







Tonga

170Q

Ngatu, exceptional ritual tapa.

Late 19th century.

Cm. 139 x 101

Old English collection.

Jean-Edouard Carlier, Paris.

Denise and Beppe Berna, Bologna, since 2005.

Luba Shankadi

165X

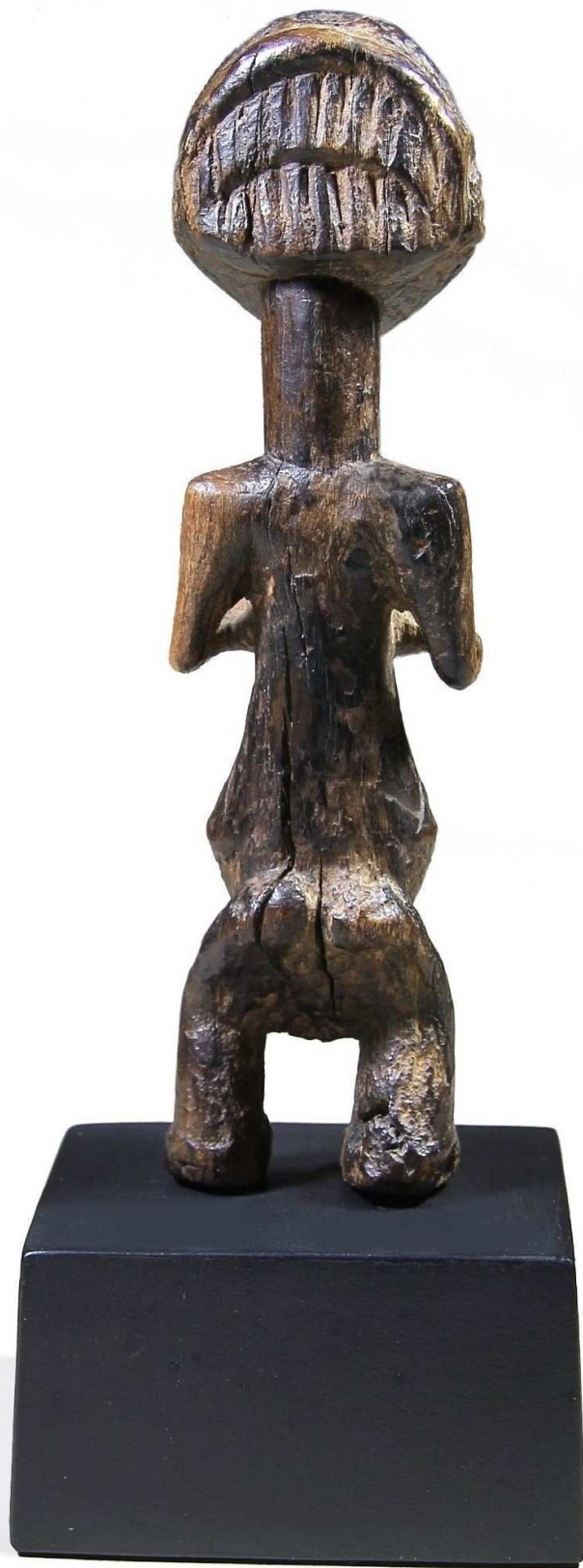
Superb feminine figure, for the cults of the ancestors and guardian of the royal prohibitions '*bizila*'.

Late 19th/early 20th century.

H. cm. 16,5

*Old Belgian collection.
David Henrion, Sauvenière,
Belgium.*







Southern Idoma

159X

Archaic **okua** mask.

H. cm. 31,5

*Collected by Edward Klejman in the late 1960's.
Klejman collection, Paris, until 2017.*





Lumbo / Punu

119V

Rare female figure.

H. cm. 50,8

*Baron Freddy Rolin, Brussels /
New York.*

Private collection, Bruxelles.

Private collection, Paris.





Mambila

160X

Rare anthropomorphic mask of 'first rank' **suah bvur**.

L. cm. 21,5

*Collected by Edward Klejman in the late 1960's.
Klejman collection, Paris, until 2017.*





Eastern Luba

169X

Feminine figure, for
ancestral cults from the
*Atelier de la moyenne
Luvua.*

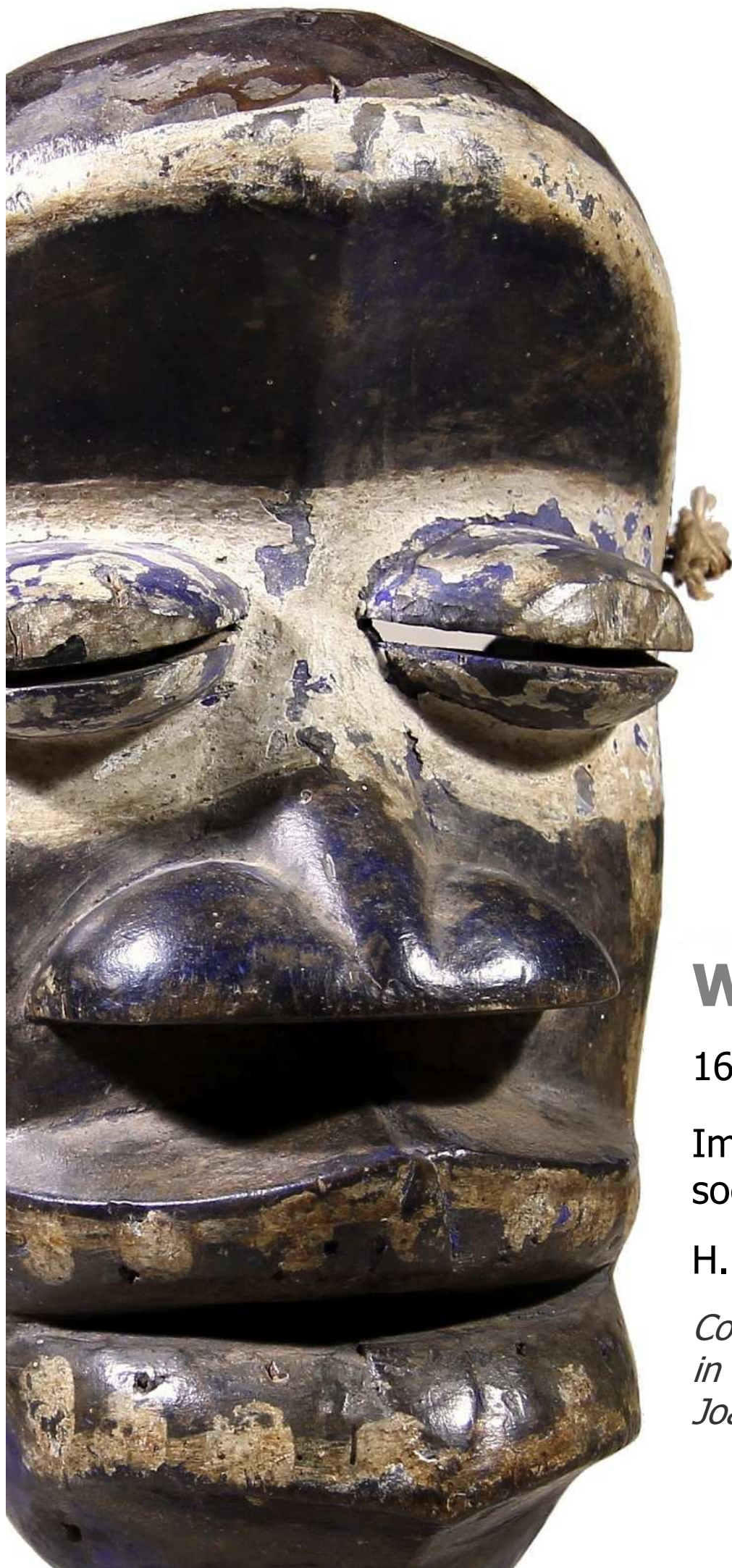
Late 19th century.

H. cm. 25,3

*Old French collection.
Olivier Castellano, Paris.*







Wé (Nguéré)

168X

Important mask for
social control.

H. cm. 30

*Collected by Franco Monti
in the 1960's.*

Joaquin Pecci, Brussels.



Fang Betsi or Sango (Eshira)

164X

Ngombi ritual harp.

H. cm. 68

Collected in 1945 in Port-Gentil.

Important proveniences available.







Dan Wé

171X

Important **bugle** mask.
Most likely a work of *Sra Master*.

H. cm. 27

*Old French collection.
Marceau Rivière, Paris, from the early 1970's.*





Teke

154X

Male magic figure.

H. cm. 34,4

Late 19th / early 20th century.

Old French collection, Nice.

Private collection, Lyon.





Dan Mano

170X

Important **bugle** mask.

H. cm. 27,5

*Old French collection.
Marceau Rivière, Paris, from the early 1970's.*



Mumuye

161X

Superb figure, probably feminine,
from the *Master "Nyavo-Father"*
of Pantisawa (Beppe Berna).

H. cm. 69

*Collected by Marceau Rivière, in
Cameroon, in the 1970's.*







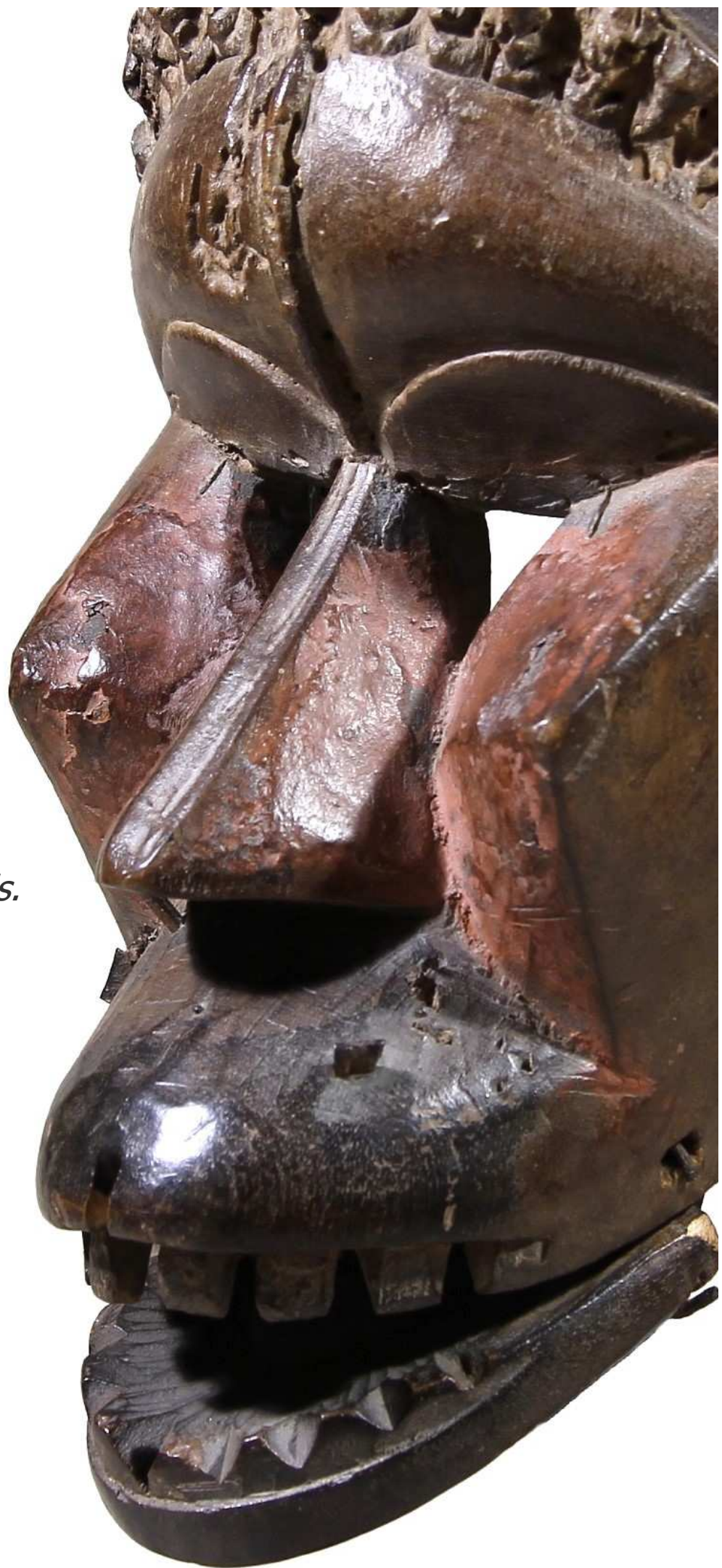
Kran

167X

Rare and very old
kaogle mask.

H. cm. 28

*Collected by Franco
Monti in the 1960's.
Joaquin Pecci, Brussels.*





Yaka

153X

Biteki, magic figure.

H. cm. 18,5

*Old collection of a
German museum (?).
Gigi Pezzoli Collection,
Milan, 1977.*

*Denise and Beppe Berna,
Bologna, 1984.*

Private collection, Milan.





Southern Igala, Igbo influences

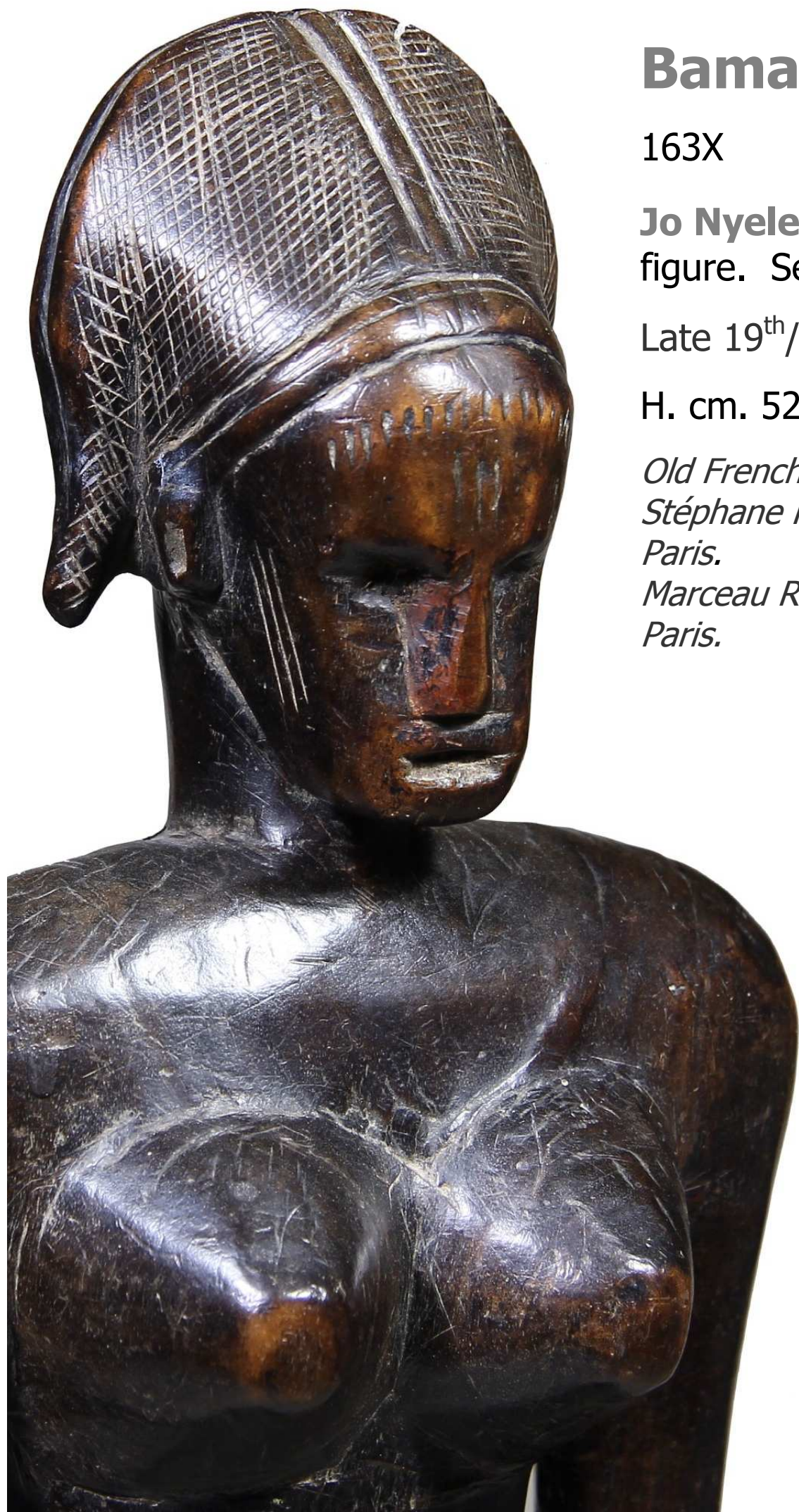
157X

Okoroshi (Okorosia) mask.

H. cm. 30

Collected, in southern Igala territory, by Edward Klejman in the late 1960's. Klejman collection, Paris, until 2017.





Bamana

163X

Jo Nyeleni large female figure. Segou Region.

Late 19th/early 20th cent.

H. cm. 52,5

Old French collection.

*Stéphane Kurc collection,
Paris.*

*Marceau Rivière collection,
Paris.*







Mumuye

158X

Rare female *monkey* mask opposed to *Vaa-Bong* masks (male).

L. cm. 21.

Collected by Edward Klejman in the late 1960's.

Klejman collection, Paris, until 2017.



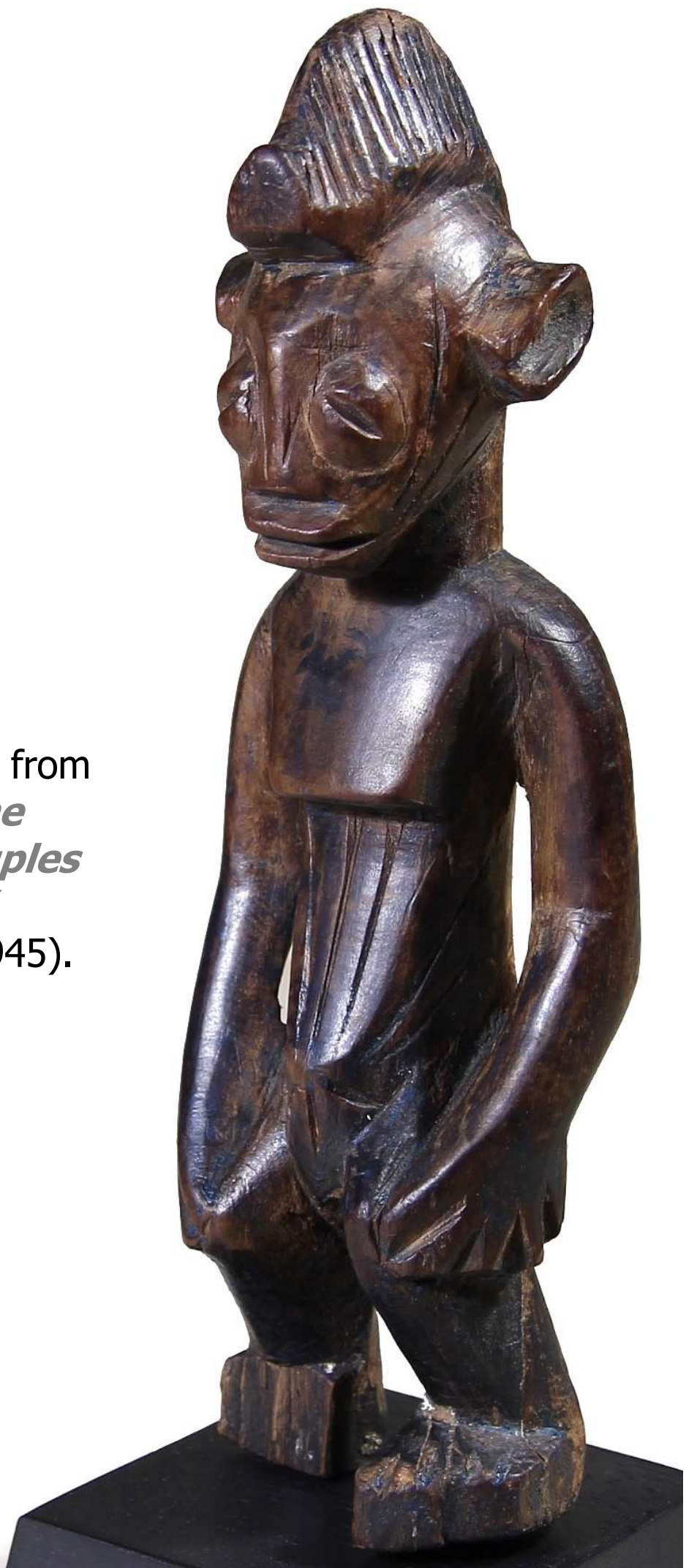
Senufo

155X

Male figure **Tugubele** from the *workshops of the "masters of the couples with lowered eyes"* (between 1915 and 1945).

H. cm. 20,7.

*Old French collection.
Private collection, Paris.*





Fang Ntumu Mabea infl.

173X

Eyema-byeri feminine
figure. **Bwiti** influence.

Early 20th century.

Figure h. cm. 30

Total h. cm. 43

*Collected in Rio Muni (Equatorial
Guinea) in the 1950's.*

*Important proveniences
available.*







Bamana

156X

Rare **ciwara**, Segu style.

H. cm. 58

*Boris Kegel-Konietzko, Hambourg.
German private collection.
Private Collection, Paris.*



Senufo

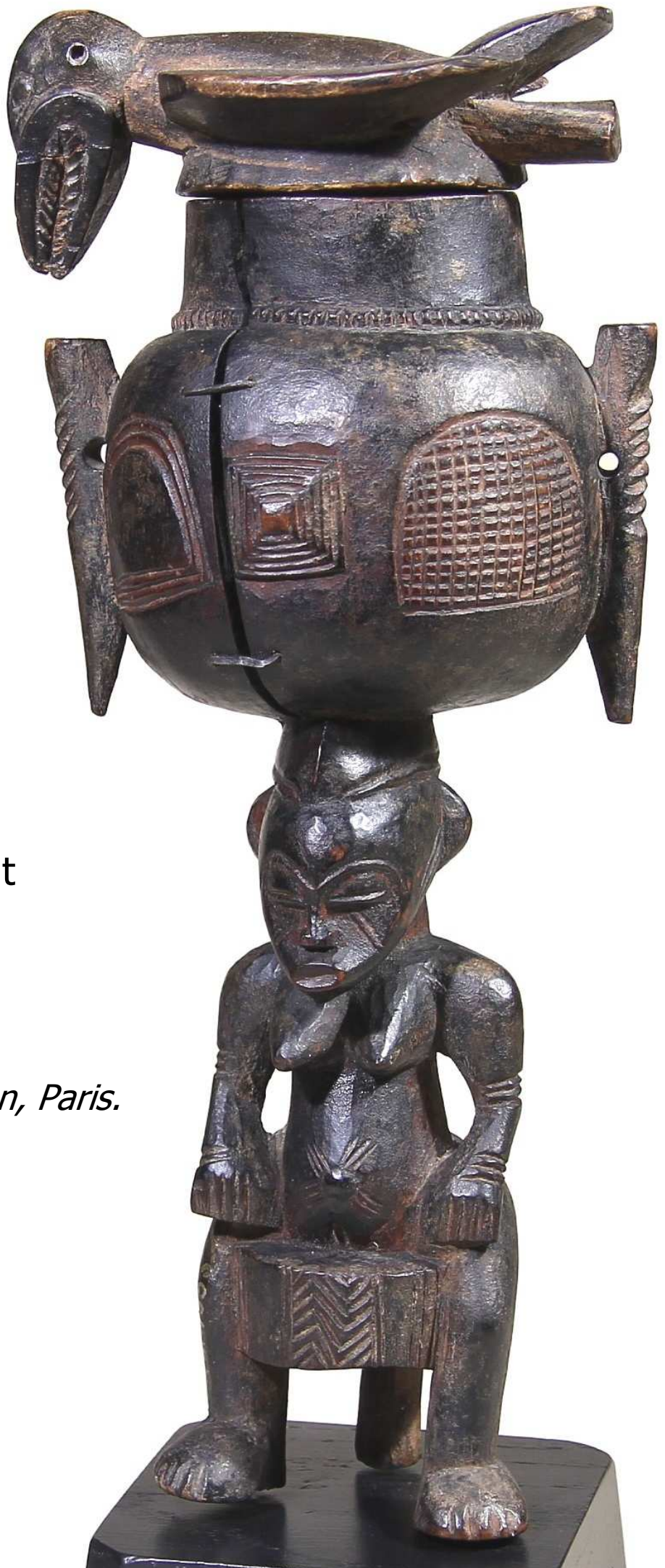
162X

Superb lidded ointment container.

H. cm. 28,5

Old French collection.

Marceau Rivière collection, Paris.







Baule

172X

Very fine **blolo bian** figure.

H. cm. 51

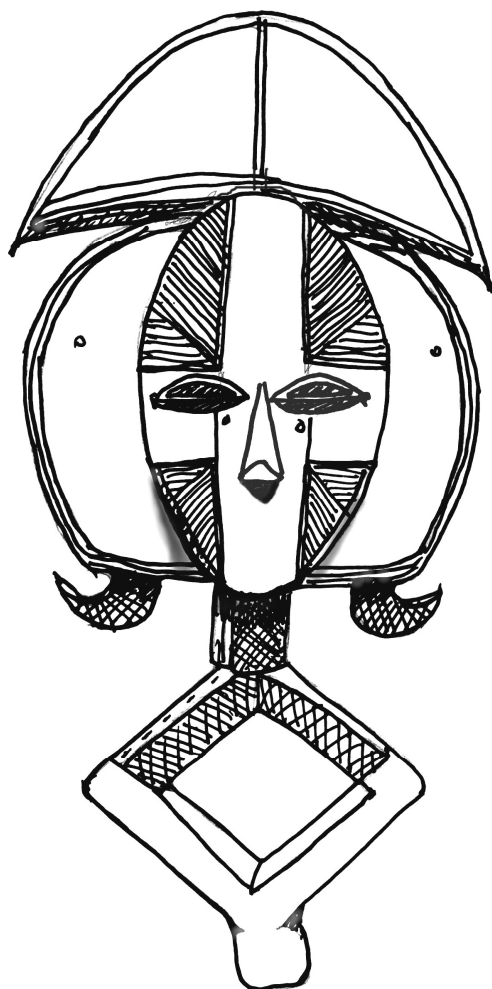
Late 19th / early 20th century.

*Dr. A. Sarro old collection,
Barcelona.*

Private collection, Barcelona.



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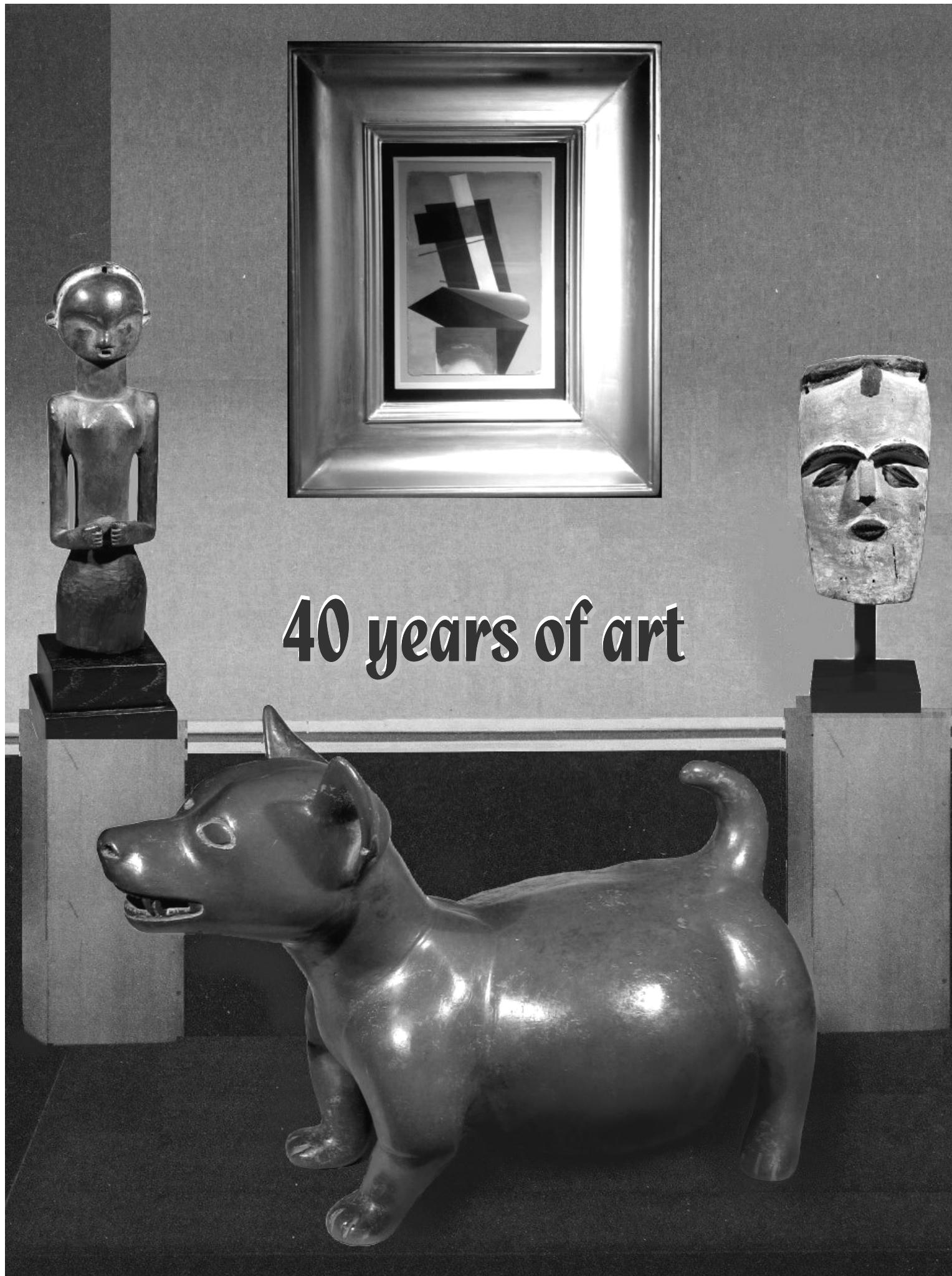
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