PAGODA
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BOZO ANTELOPE MASK

$1,980

c. 1950 • Mali • Pigment, Wood, Fabric • Collection #CAA0713

W: 15.0″ D: 14.0″ H: 37.0″

Emulating the graceful form of an antelope, this colorful mask by the Bozo people of Mali brought forth the animal's protective spirit during lively group masquerades. Worn by a concealed dancer, the antelope mask is one of several animal spirits of the savannah that would be represented in group performances. The elongated mask is fitted with carefully hand-carved horns and topped by a miniature dancer - who moved along with the human dancer below. Painted with vibrant colors and bold patterns, this animated mask is fantastic mounted on a wall as a decorative sculpture.