



Cylinder Vessel

Date

ca. 650-850

Primary Maker

Maya (archaeological culture)

Medium

pottery and paint

Description

This codex-style vase shows an older lord with headdress and axe characteristic of the rain god Chahk, with two attendants behind him. The attendants wear the sarong and tonsured hair of palace scribes and may be in attendance at a ceremony in order to commemorate the performance of this rite. Before the lord are three figures dressed as hunters and a central figure in the process of

embodying the Maize Deity. Four glyphic captions frame the actors.

Dimensions

Overall: 7 x 6 1/8 in. (17.8 x 15.6 cm)