



Temple Guardian

Date

late 18th to early 19th century

Primary Maker

Artist Unknown

Medium

wood

Description

These figures are wood copies of ancient guardians that, in their original stone form, would have flanked the entrance to Sri Lankan Buddhist shrines. They appear to be inspired by the pre-eleventh century Anuradhapura style.

Dimensions

Overall: 59 3/4 x 22 7/8 x 6 3/4 in. (151.8 x 58.1 x 17.1 cm)