

Horus the Child

Date

664-332 BCE

Primary Maker

Artist Unknown

Medium

bronze

Description

Horus was the child of the first royal couple, Osiris and Isis. Every subsequent ruler of Egypt called him or herself an incarnation of Horus to establish legitimacy as king. In this depiction, Horus wears the Red Crown of Lower Egypt and a royal kilt. His hair is arranged with a side-lock and his finger is touching his mouth, both signs that Horus is represented here as a child.

Dimensions

Overall: 4 1/4 x 1 x 2 in. (10.8 x 2.5 x 5.1 cm)