



**AFRICAN PRIESTESS
WERKSTATTE HAGENAUER
CA. 1950**

€5.500,00

African priestess or Nubian Queen, Werkstatte Hagenauer Vienna, ca. 1950, precious wood, brass, marked

The expressive figure of an African priestess or Nubian queen belongs to a group of African sculptures manufactured by Werkstatte Hagenauer in the 1950s. It depicts a kneeling dignitary or priestess with her arms raised in an evocative manner. Due to the imposing headdress, it may be the Nubian queen mother "Asantehemaa" or a priestess performing a religious ceremony.

The figure, with its expressive grandeur, captivates the observer at once. The empty eye sockets underline the mysterious aura surrounding the exotic statuette. The statuette is particularly carefully crafted, as can be seen from the seamless transition from the stained wood to the upper body of the sculpture. The sculpture impresses with strongly stylized features and, at the same time, excellently crafted details.







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