BIRD SHAPED BOWL WERKSTATTE HAGENAUER CA. 1930

Small bird shaped footed bowl, Werkstatte Hagenauer Vienna, ca. 1930, polished brass, marked

Among the animal statuettes produced by Werkstatte Hagenauer, stylized bird sculptures form a chapter of their own. Their first designs can be dated back to the 1930s and were mainly created by Karl Hagenauer.

As with this small bird bowl, playful natural forms are combined with abstracted reduction. With only two, albeit greatly reduced elements, the natural model is clearly depicted, and thus a chased beak head and a hammered feather tail transform the simple goblet into a delightful little bird.

Its expressive design is enhanced by the high quality of handicraft, which the Werkstatte Hagenauer was famous for.

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