



**LEAPING IMPALA FRANZ
HAGENAUER CA. 1955**

€6.800,00

Leaping Impala, Franz Hagenauer, Werkstätte Hagenauer Vienna, ca. 1955, carved wood, brass, marked

The leaping impala, along with the sculptures of giraffes or elephants, belongs to the group of very popular, exotic animal depictions produced by Werkstätte Hagenauer in the 1950s. In the sales catalogue from 1957 ("Zettelkatalog") we find a similarly designed, albeit sitting antelope.

Captured here is the moment when an antelope is jumping out of the bushes. The gifted designer Franz Hagenauer brings the moment to the point, by depicting the leaping animal using simply a single tree with stylized foliage. One can easily imagine how he drew the agile animal with quick strokes.

As in other animal depictions by Franz Hagenauer from the 1950s, this antelope is characterized by straightforward, sometimes almost angular lines that define the silhouette and thereby emphasize the dynamism of the enchanting snapshot.











