

Basic Detail Report



Ekpe or Ngbe Society Emblem

Date

ca. 1940

Primary Maker

Ejagham people

Medium

palm leaf midrib bark, palm fronds, animal skulls, raffia, wood, hide and encrustation

Description

Membership in Ekpe confers the right to use objects from the society's emblem to proclaim and enforce the member's rights and resources in relation to others in the

community. The vortex-like arrangement of sacrificial and other objects on the panel indicates the emblem is the source of powerful spiritual forces.

Dimensions

Overall: 43 x 39 x 9 in. (109.2 x 99.1 x 22.9 cm)