



Asian Art Discoveries - Japanese & Korean Art (AK0921)

Fri, 10th Sep 2021

Viewing:

You may view objects in this auction in our gallery from September 3 to September 10, 2021. We are open Monday to Friday from 10 AM to 6 PM CET, as well as by appointment. On the day of the sale, the preview will be open until 11 AM.

Lot 1

Starting price: €400

Estimate: €800

A VERY RARE AND EARLY BRONZE SUTRA CANISTER

Japan, Muromachi period (1333-1573)

The exterior of the cylindrical vessel is finely incised with three wrathful Buddhist deities and a poem by Fujiwara no Fuyutsugu (775 – 826). The bronze has nicely patinated into a dark brown, almost black color with hues of malachite green.

HEIGHT 23 cm

WEIGHT 1029.2 grams

Condition: The base is pierced. Some minor dents, losses, encrustations and wear, traces of use, all as expected from a piece of this age. Some minor casting flaws. Overall still very good condition.

Provenance: From the collection of Jacques Bigay, High Commissioner of the United Nations. A French private collection acquired from the above.