



## 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 26

**Starting price:** €1000

**Estimate:** €2000

### TAIZAN MOTOZANE: A SUPERB MITO SCHOOL INLAID SHINCHU (BRASS) TSUBA WITH SHOKI AND ONI KING

Signed Taizan Motozane with kakihan

Japan, late 19<sup>th</sup> century, Meiji period (1868-1912)

Of kaku-maru-gata form with a raised rim, finely decorated in shishiaibori, katakiri, and copper and gold takazogan against the shinchu ishime ground, depicting Shoki standing on a rocky outpost and looking up towards the king of oni, an imposing and ferocious demon, threatening him from within the clouds above, the other side with a waterfall and the signature TAIZAN MOTOZANE with a kakihan.

HEIGHT 8.4 cm

WEIGHT 196.3 g

Condition: Very good condition with minor surface wear and few minuscule nicks to the edges.

**Provenance:** Collection of Dr. Henry Guinness de Laszlo (1901-1967).

Taizan Motozane (1741-1830) was the founder of the Taizan Sekijoken family school, see Haynes, Robert (2001) The Index of Japanese Sword Fittings and Associated Artists, no. H 06004.

### Auction comparison:

Compare a similar inlaid sentoku tsuba with Hannya, showing a very similar expression to the oni king on the present tsuba, signed Genchin, at Zackle, Fine Japanese Art, 28 October 2020, Vienna, lot 71 (**sold for 9,760 EUR**).