

Basic Detail Report



Mask

Date

c. 1890

Primary Maker

Central Yup'ik

Medium

Hard wood, snowy owl feathers, reed, ochre, white and black pigment

Description

This small mask needed an additional reed hoop, a pair of ochre-stained thumbless spirit hands and a double row of

snowy owl feathers. The thumbless hands refer to the inability of the spirits to grasp and catch game animals thereby ensuring the availability of the hunt for the Central Yup'ik.

Dimensions

Overall: 12 3/4 × 11 × 2 3/4 in. (32.4 × 27.9 × 7 cm) Overall (Hands): 12 3/4 × 11 × 2 3/4 in. (32.4 × 27.9 × 7 cm) Overall (Feathers): 4 1/2 in. (11.4 cm)