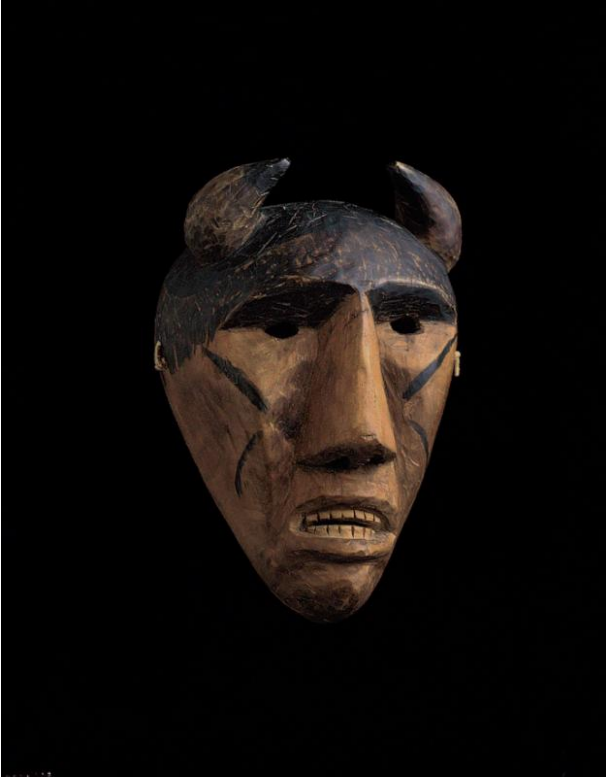


Basic Detail Report



Mask

Date

c. 1940

Primary Maker

Allen Long

Medium

Wood, paint, leather thong

Description

Masked performers called Boogers are an important part of a social dance ceremony known as the Booger Dance. The Boogers use parody, pantomime and sometimes risqué humour to lessen social tensions in the community. This mask, representing the devil, belongs to a Booger Dance tradition that acknowledges the conflicts resulting from European contact. Allen Long of the Big Cove

community was a prominent carver of Booger Dance masks. He was taught by his father, Will West Long, a well-known mask maker and historian.

Dimensions

Overall: 5 × 8 1/2 × 13 in. (12.7 × 21.6 × 33 cm)