

Striding figure

On display

Title/Description: Striding figure

Born: 1800 - 1899

Object Type: Figure

Materials: Walrus ivory

Measurements: h. 44 x w. 15 x d. 15 mm

Accession Number: 115

Historic Period: 19th century

Production Place: Alaska, North America, The Americas

Credit Line: Donated by Robert and Lisa Sainsbury, 1973

Animated carvings of this kind were made in many Inuit areas in the nineteenth century, for trade as well as indigenous use. This accomplished example has flat feet, which allow it to stand upright.

Steven Hooper, 1997

Entry taken from *Robert and Lisa Sainsbury Collection, Vol. 2: Pacific, African and Native North American Art,* edited by Steven Hooper (Yale University Press, 1997) p. 255.

Provenance

Purchased by Robert and Lisa Sainsbury from K. J. Hewett in 1971.

Donated to the Sainsbury Centre, University of East Anglia in 1973 as part of the original gift.