



## Miniature effigy

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**Not on display**

**Title/Description:** Miniature effigy

**Object Type:** Figure

**Materials:** Mammal tooth

**Measurements:** h. 35 x w. 12 x d. 10 mm

**Accession Number:** 404

**Historic Period:** 18th century

**Production Place:** Bering Sea, North America, The Americas

**Credit Line:** Donated by Robert and Lisa Sainsbury, 1978

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Numbers of miniature figurines have been found in prehistoric sites on St Lawrence Island and neighbouring areas (see Bandi, 1977: pls. 54-5, who attributes them to later in the prehistoric era).

Their former use is not known. This figurine is of mammal tooth, is so well preserved that it may not have the same age as the others in the collection.

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. 239.

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## **Provenance**

Gift from K. J. Hewett to Robert and Lisa Sainsbury in 1970.

Donated to the Sainsbury Centre, University of East Anglia in 1978.

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