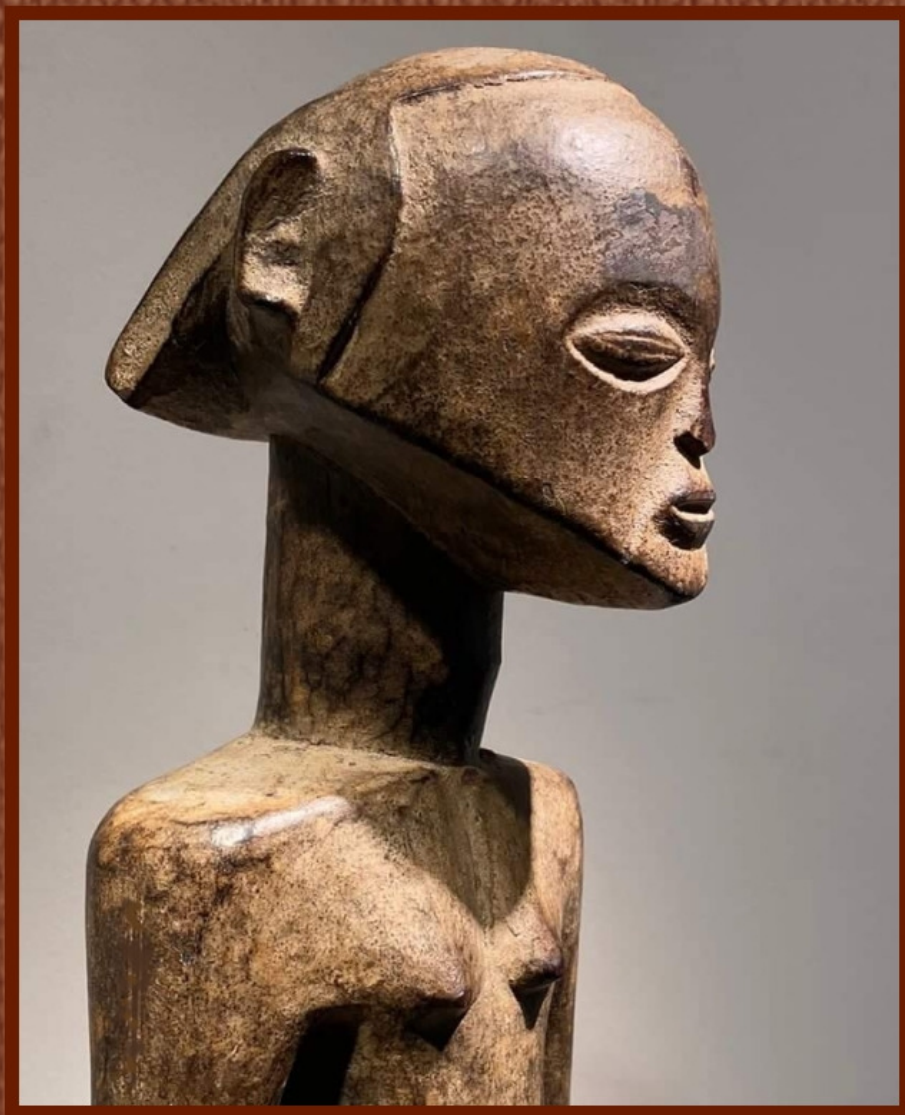


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works

northern senufo

'master of the sangregorio staff'



Northern Senufo, Sikasso

137Z

Large staff *tefalipitya* or
Daleu from the **Master of
the Sangregorio staff.**
(Beppe Berna).

Late 19th / early 20th century.

H. cm. 146.

H. cm. 32 (figure).

H. cm. 78,5 (iron).

Giancarlo Sangregorio, Varese.
Olivier Castellano, Paris.







dogon



Dogon

154Z

Altar with hermaphroditic figures.

H. cm. 22.

19th century or earlier.

Private collection, Brussels.

By family descent.

Olivier Castellano, Paris.





*hemba, muhona and nkuvu
infl. yambula*



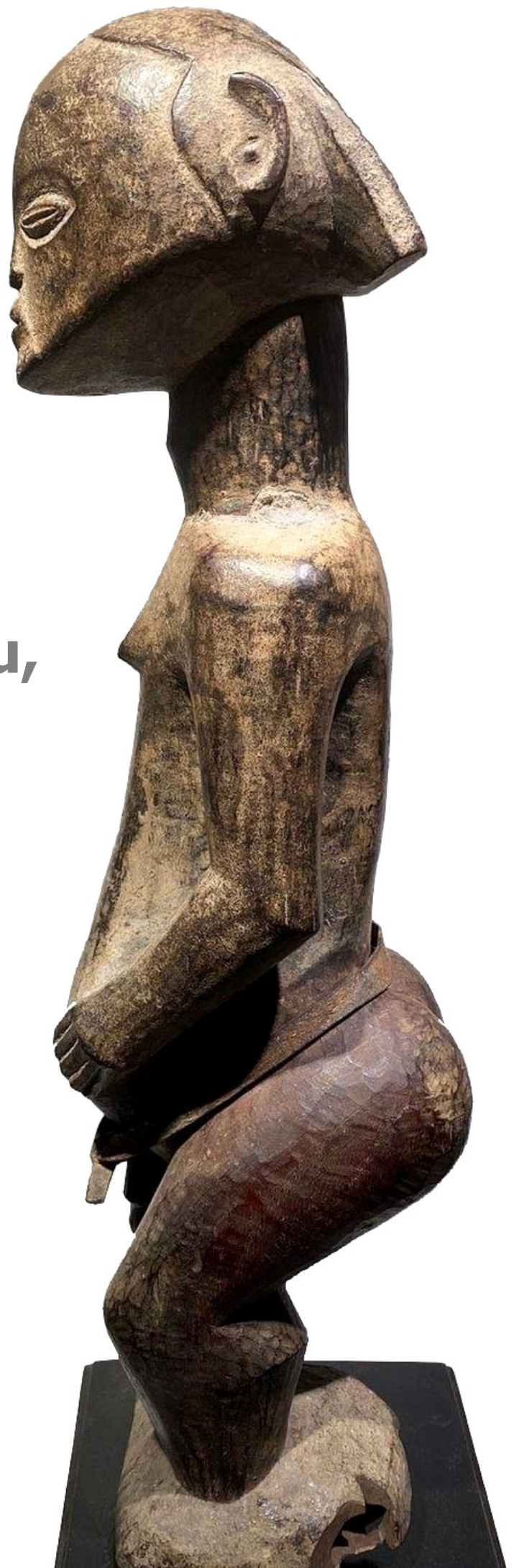
Hemba, Muhona and Nkuvu, infl. Yambula

152Z

Commemorative statue
of an ancestor, *Sigiti*.

H. cm. 45,5

*Joseph - Hans Christiaens (Jo),
Bruges / Brussels.
Private collection, Brussels.
Olivier Castellano, Paris.*







sepik, png







Sepik

167W

Large ceremonial sago bowl.

L. cm. 90 – H. cm. 10.

*Old Australian collection.
Alain Dettinger, Sydney, early 1980's.
French private collection.*

bambara, sikasso region

Bambara, Sikasso Region

148Z

Chiwara dance crest.

H. cm. 61

*Fred Ten Houten (1916-1995),
Groningen, '1960.*

Didier Claes, Brussels.

European private collections.

Alain Naoum, Brussels.









baule,

'master of the young girl of nicaud'





Baule

124Z

Blolo bla, the wife of the afterlife, of the **Master of the young girl of Nicaud**. (Beppe Berna).

H. cm. 39,6

Late 19th century.

*Maurice Nicaud (1911 – 2003), Paris.
French private collections.*







senufo

'master of sunken faces'





Senoufo

160Z

Staff of *Poro* chief.
Master of sunken faces.
(Beppe Berna).

Late 19th / early 20th
century.

H. cm. 110

*Collected by Emil Storrer
in the 1950's.
Edith Hafter, Solothurn.
Lance Entwistle, Paris.
French private collection.*

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"Sénoufo", Olivier Castellano,
Paris, 2014, pag. 15.
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d'Afrique de l'Ouest",
Olivier Castellano,
Paris, 2023, pag. 110.*





n'duleri, dogon
1487- 1646 ad.



N'duleri, Dogon

155Z

Native ancestor elevated to the rank of ancestral myth.

1487 - 1646 AD circa.
Radiocarbon C14 test.

H. cm. 48,7

*Private collection, Brussels.
By family descent.*

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nayarit, chinesco
100 bc- 250 ad



Chinesco, Nayarit

191V

Female ceramic figurine.

H. cm. 23,4

Protoclassic – type “C”.

100 BC – 250 AD

Non-thermoluminescent ceramic (test available).

Californian private collection.

Splendors of the World Gallery, Santa Fe.

Hawaiian private collection.





dogon



Dogon

156Z

Anthropomorphic devotional figure evoking the genesis of the *Nommo*.

H. cm. 43

19th century or earlier.

*Private collection, Brussels.
By family descent.*



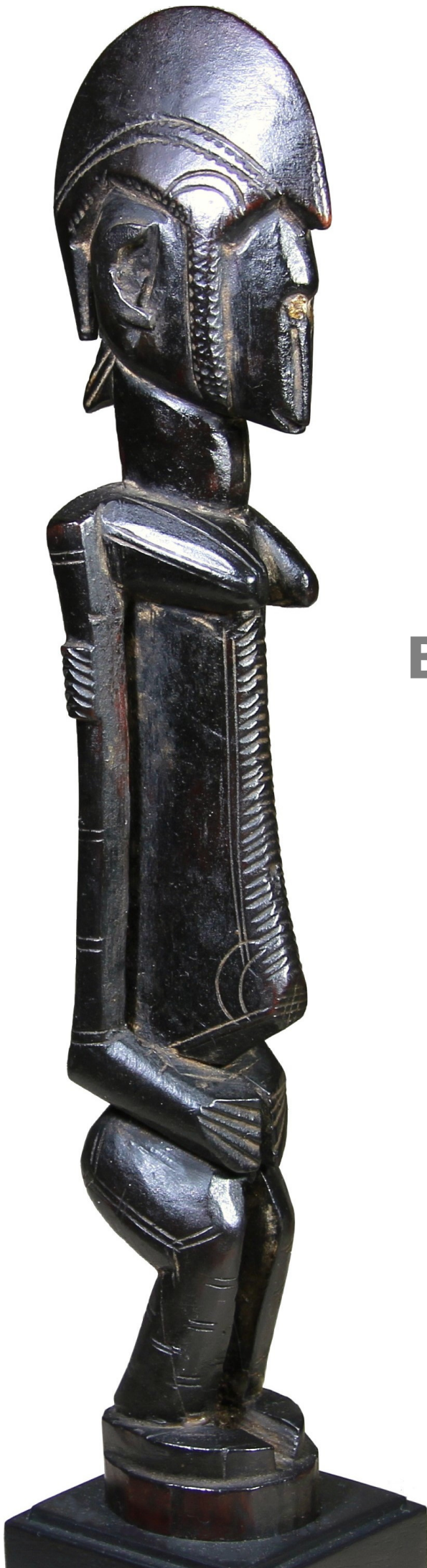




bambara,

'master of koulikoro'





Bambara, Koulikoro Region

163Y

Top of a dignitary staff of the
Master of Koulikoro.
(Beppe Berna).

H. cm. 29

*Collected in situ, in the 1960's, by
Franco Monti, Milan.
Joaquin Pecci, Brussels.
Belgian private collections.
French private collections.*





gurunsi, nuna



Gurunsi, Nuna

161Z

Monkey mask.

H. cm. 29,5

19th century.

*Peter and Nancy Mickelsen, USA
Thomas G.B. Wheelock (1941-2016)
Collection, New York.
James Stephenson, New York.*

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tellem



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Tellem

158Z

Primordial hermaphrodite
entity.

H. cm. 29.

14th / 16th century
on a stylistic basis.

*Private collection, Brussels.
By family descent.
Mercedes and David Serra,
Barcelona.*

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bambara





Bambara

162Z

Double mask (*Koré*).

H. cm. 58.

Early 20th century.

Private German collection..





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