



Cylinder Vessel

Date

c. 700-950 C.E.

Medium

Ceramic with incised design

Description

Ceramic cylinder vessel incised with a depiction of two standing figures with protruding top lips with exposed front teeth, arms outstretched offering something plant-like, tails or loincloths, and headresses. Figures are both possibly anthropomorphic, stylized monkeys, or depictions of "monkey-men." Based on the size and shape, this was possibly a cacao / chocolate drinking cup.

Dimensions

Overall: 5 3/4 x 4 3/4 x 4 1/2 in. (14.6 x 12.1 x 11.4 cm)