



Warrior Queen Amina Mask

Date

2020

Primary Maker

The Queen Amina Embroidery Cooperative

Medium

Cotton, embroidery thread, plastic

Description

COVID-19 stylized mask that rambles the face covering part of a medieval knight's helmet. Warrior on horseback is depicted in the center on an off-white ground with gold

pillars behind figure. From auction description: he ancient warrior, Queen Amina of Zazzau, serves as an inspiration to many in Zaria, Nigeria. She is especially a role model to many young girls, as Queen Amina rose to be the first woman Queen in a male-dominated society. Queen Amina Embroidery proudly shares her name and so decided to depict this strong woman on their mask. For the indomitable! From #Mask Exhibition: The Warrior Queen Amina Face Mask made by Fatima Sani for Queen Amina Embroidery Cooperative, Mid-sixteenth-century Warrior-Queen Amina of Zazzau (present-day Zaria) is the namesake of the Queen Amina Embroidery Cooperative and is depicted on this mask by Fatima Sani. Queen Amina is a historic and legendary figure who rose to be the first woman to rule in Zazzu's patriarchal society. Her legacy continues to serve as an inspiration, especially to young girls, in Zaria, Nigeria..

Dimensions

With straps, measured flat: 6 5/16 × 1 3/8 × 18 1/2 in. (16 × 3.5 × 47 cm) Without straps: 10 7/16 in. (26.5 cm)