

## SUMERIAN LIMESTONE HEAD OF AN ORANT

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Ne-Mesopotamian, 2800-2334 B.C.

Limestone

Height: 9.3 cm

Reference: 18856



Left half of a chubby face with large, almond shaped eye sockets, arched eyebrows, a short nose with wide nostrils and narrow lips with a restrained smile. Wavy hair that only leaves the earlobe free, with a narrow hairband.

This head belongs to the high quality sculpture of the early sumerian dynastyies.

### CONDITION

Fragmentary head with inlaid eyes missing.

### PROVENANCE

Coll. G.F.Reber (acquired 1928) ex Indjoudjian, Paris.

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