Figure of Shouxing - God of Longevity

Object: Figure of Shouxing

Place of origin: Jingdezhen (made)

Date: 1662-1722 (made)

Artist/Maker: Unknown

Materials and Techniques: Porcelain painted in overglaze enamels and gilded

Credit Line: Salting Bequest

Museum number: C.1271-1910

Gallery location: Ceramics, Room 136, The Curtain Foundation Gallery, case 3, shelf 2

Descriptive line

Figure of Shouxing (Star-god of Longevity), porcelain painted in overglaze polychrome enamels and gilded, China, Qing dynasty, Kangxi period (1662-1722)

Physical description

Figure of Shouxing (Star-god of Longevity) of porcelain. Painted in three shades of green, red, yellow, manganese-purple, blue enamel and black. An old man with domed forehead, holding a peach in each hand and with a lotus on the back of his head. His robes are decorated with lotus scrolls, shou (longevity) characters, cranes, dragons and cell diaper. Base unglazed. The hands hoose on wires.

Dimensions

Height: 48.3 cm

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