



Kushan period (2nd century BCE–3rd century CE)

Mathura, Uttar Pradesh, India

Seated Buddha

2nd century

Sandstone

129.5 x 101.5 x 30.5 cm

National Gallery of Australia

Purchased from Nancy Wiener, New York, 2007 (De-accessioned)

Background information

The sculpture was purchased by the NGA from the Nancy Weiner Gallery , *New York* in 2007. The *Seated Buddha* is one of the objects mentioned by Susan Crennan AC (Former Justice of the High Court of Australia, who was appointed by the NGA in 2015 to independently review work undertaken by the Asian Art Provenance Project) as one of the objects that have insufficient or questionable provenance documentation.

Seated Buddha was deaccessioned by the NGA in February 2015. Representatives from the Archaeological Survey of India authenticated the sculpture at the NGA in January 2016.