

Basic Detail Report

Title

Stingray Hair Ornament

Artist

Marcia Lewis

Date

1973

Dimensions

H: 3/4 in. (1.9 cm); W: 4 in. (10.2 cm); L: 6 in. (15.2 cm)

Medium

Brass; silver, forged, chased, pierced, and soldered; mounted with moonstone cabochons

Classifications

Jewelry

Credit Line

Gift of Mrs. John B. Bell, by exchange

Object number

2009.62A-B

Collections

Decorative Arts

Label Text

American Studio jeweler Marcia Lewis is best known for her in-depth exploration of the ancient technique of chasing metal, in which the material is shaped and ornamented using hand tools. The technique lends itself to organic forms, and her jewelry is often inspired by animals, including birds and fish, as well as art from other cultures. This unique hair ornament, intended to pin up long hair at the back of the head, was made by Lewis while she held a George C. Marshall Memorial Fellowship to Denmark.

On View

Toledo Museum of Art (2445 Monroe Street), Gallery, 34, Jewelry Gallery