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JAPANESE USUBATA IKEBANA VESSEL

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c. 1900 • Japan • Iron • Collection #CCB005 H: 8.25" Dia: 8.5"

This early 20th century iron vessel is a Meiji-era vase designed especially for ikebana, the Japanese art of floral arrangement. The two-piece vase was cast in the classical usubata (thin rim) form, with a broad, flat top with an upturned lip. Usubata vessels are typically cast of bronze and have been used in ikebana arrangements since the 16th century. The broad rim of this usubata vase sits atop a tapered body with decorative cut-outs and a subtle beaded trim. Used to contrast and anchor delicate flowers, this metal ikebana vessel adds rich texture and form to any space.